



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Barrie ready to take on winter *On-street parking restrictions take effect Dec. 1***

(Barrie, ON) Although winter weather is often random and unpredictable, City snow removal efforts are not. The City is once again prepared and committed to providing a high level of snow removal service throughout the winter season.

Here are some winter maintenance reminders in the City of Barrie:

#### **Parking restrictions**

A reminder that on-street parking is not permitted on City streets from 12:01–7 a.m. and 3–6am within the Downtown Business Improvement Area, from December 1 through March 31. This ensures that the streets can be completely cleared and that large emergency vehicles can get down the street.

#### **Plowing of City roads**

The priority is the main roads—those with the most traffic in the city. These roads are serviced when at least five cm of snow has fallen. The secondary (residential) routes are plowed when there is at least eight cm of snow. The goal is to have most routes plowed 12–24 hours after the end of a snow event. With [Barrie's Plow Tracker](#), you can track the progress of the road plows and see when your street was last serviced. A reminder—plows can't avoid leaving snow at the bottom of driveways because they can't lift the blades in between driveways.

#### **Sidewalk plowing**

Sidewalk plowing is done on main sidewalks when five cm of snow falls and on residential sidewalks when there's eight cm of snow. If you see a sidewalk plow driving on the road, there's a good reason—they're travelling to their next destination for plowing because it's faster than travelling on the sidewalk.

#### **Waste collection**

Shovel out a small area at the bottom of your driveway for your garbage, recycling boxes and green bin, as far from the road as possible without blocking the sidewalk. Do not place them on top of the snow bank.

For more information and updates about winter maintenance, visit [www.barrie.ca/Snow](http://www.barrie.ca/Snow).

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