



# qathet REGIONAL DISTRICT

<b>SECTION 1</b>	<b>CORPORATE POLICIES</b>
<b>POLICY</b>	<b>1.13</b>
<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>SNOW REMOVAL AND ICE CONTROL POLICY</b>
<b>ADOPTED</b>	<b>DECEMBER 19, 2017</b>

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## **POLICY STATEMENT:**

The qathet Regional District believes in a culture that protects the health and safety of the public, leadership and staff. Snow and ice on surfaces at Regional District owned and managed properties can create a slipping and falling hazard as well as hamper access from emergency services.

## **PURPOSE:**

The Snow and Ice Control Policy ensures public safety by providing timely and efficient snow removal and ice control on the sidewalks, parking lots and roadways of Regional District owned properties.

## **SCOPE:**

Sidewalks and roadways of the following properties only are applicable:

- Regional District Maintenance Facility
- Powell River Cemetery
- NVFD #1 Fire Hall (Roots Way)
- NVFD #2 Fire Hall (Lund)
- MVFD Fire Hall #1 (Padgett Road)
- MVFD Fire Hall #2 (Highway 101)
- Gillies Bay Community Hall
- Gillies Bay Old School
- Gillies Bay Airport (excluding runway, taxiway, and apron)
- Van Anda Wharf

## **POLICY/GUIDELINES:**

Every effort will be made to ensure that sidewalks and entranceways of all facilities are cleared of snow and ice prior to anticipated use.

Ice control strategies will include the use of salt or other de-icing products. Salt should be applied any time that ice is present or is anticipated.

During periods where temperatures are less than -3° Celsius, use of abrasives e.g., sand may be required.

Parking lots and roadways will be cleared when accumulations of snow are greater than 10 cm (4") in depth. Clearing will be completed within 24 hours following the end of an accumulation of snow.

No paths, trails, or unpaved walkways leading in, through, or across any parkland or property will be plowed or otherwise treated for snow and ice accumulation.

**RESPONSIBILITY/AUTHORITY TO ACT:**

The Manager of Operational Services is responsible for ensuring that Operational Services Department staff and contractors are aware of this policy and meet current standards identified.