

Rural Municipality of Willow Bunch No. 42
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November 7, 2018

Dear Snow Plow Operators:

The Council of The R.M. of Willow Bunch No. 42 is requesting that any individuals or clubs that will be removing snow off municipal roads or property must be registered in the **minutes of the R.M. of Willow Bunch No. 42**. **We would appreciate having this form returned to us in time for our December 10th, 2018 meeting.**

All snow plow operators must sign the **registration form and a contractor's agreement** and return them to the RM office because of OH&S regulations. Please return both forms to the RM of Willow Bunch by **December 6th, 2018**.

Payment **will not** be paid for snow removal services not cleared by one of the following:

Foreman Patrick Therrien		473-2303	Cell 640-7886
Denis Lesperance	Division 1		Cell 640-7985
Albert Lavallee	Division 2	473-2489	Cell 640-8050
Claude Fafard	Division 3		Cell 640-8615
Trevor Benson	Division 4	476-2735	Cell 476-7505
Michael Cayer	Division 5	473-2777	Cell 640-9506
Patrick Bellefleur	Division 6		Cell 640-8684
RM Office		473-2450	

To receive payment all time sheets must be submitted to the RM office by May 1st, 2019 accompanied by a map of where you plowed.

A copy of the regulations Amber Flashing Lights is enclosed and a copy of amendments to the Highway Traffic Act that came into effect October 1, 2000.

To be covered by the R.M. liability insurance these regulations must adhered to and your name must be registered in the minutes of the R.M.

Sincerely,

Sharleine Eger
RMA

Snow Removal Registration Form

R.M. of Willow Bunch No. 42

(I, We} _____ hereby register for snow removal for the 2018/2019 winter season. The plow that will be used for clearing snow will have the required flashing amber light.

***Everyone listed must sign a contractor's agreement for OH&S.**

The names of individuals who will be operating the snow plow are:

1 } _____

2 } _____

3 } _____

4 } _____

(I, We} agree to operate the snow removal equipment in the proper fashion with the amber light operating when clearing municipal roads and property and (I, We} will talk to our councillor, the reeve, the foreman or administrator before undertaking any snow removal, and failure to do so will result in payment being denied. (I, We} also agree to submit our snow removal log sheets **NO LATER** than May 1st, 2019 for payment.

Name of Individual or Club

Contact Person of a Club

Address

Telephone

Office Use: Date Received _____ By: _____

EXEMPTION FROM REGULATIONS

BY VIRTUE OF THE PROVISION MADE IN SECTION 3-85 OF *THE SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYMENT ACT*, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF THE FACT THAT THE SAFETY OR HEALTH OF PERSONS WORKING AT THE PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT OF:

Saskatchewan Rural Municipalities
various locations

WILL NOT BE MATERIALLY AFFECTED AND THAT INTERESTED PERSONS HAVE BEEN CONSULTED, I HEREBY DIRECT:

A Saskatchewan Rural Municipality ("R.M.") is exempted from the requirements of section 154 of *The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996* with respect to the training of municipal residents contracted by an R.M. to remove snow from municipal roads ("snow removal").

SUBJECT TO THESE CONDITIONS:

1. This exemption only applies to municipal residents who are contracted by the R.M. in which they reside to engage in snow removal.
2. The R.M. shall ensure that municipal residents to which this exemption applies are included within the R.M.'s Saskatchewan Workers Compensation Board insurance coverage.
3. This exemption does not apply to self-employed persons or employers engaged in the business of snow removal.
4. This exemption does not apply to R.M. employees who engage in snow removal in the course of their employment with an R.M.
5. The R.M. shall ensure that the equipment used for snow removal must be owned by the municipal resident. Further, the R.M. shall ensure that this equipment must comply with the requirements of *The Vehicle Equipment Regulations, 1987* and *The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996*, including, but not limited to, being equipped with amber beacons, working head and tail lights, slow-moving signage, and roll-over protective devices and seat belts.
6. The R.M. shall ensure that the equipment used for snow removal by the municipal resident must be in safe working condition, have a clear and unobstructed windshield, and have working wiper blades.
7. The R.M. shall ensure that municipal residents who engage in snow removal must hold a valid Saskatchewan driver's license.
8. The R.M. shall ensure that municipal residents who engage in snow removal must each sign a written agreement with the applicable R.M. that:
 - a. the equipment used by the municipal resident for snow removal meets the conditions set out in this exemption;

- b. the municipal resident will shut off the engine of the equipment used for snow removal before performing any maintenance on this equipment while engaged in snow removal operations;
 - c. the municipal resident is familiar with the roads on which the snow removal takes place, and in particular that the resident has knowledge of the location of steep ditches, intersections, railway tracks, or other hazards that may be present;
 - d. the municipal resident understands and will comply with all traffic rules relevant to the roadway on which the snow removal is taking place;
 - e. except in the case of emergency, the municipal resident will not remove snow during periods of low visibility;
 - f. the municipal resident will carry an operational telephone, radio, or other electronic communication device while engaged in snow removal.
9. A copy of the agreement noted in paragraph 8 of this exemption must be kept at the office of the applicable R.M., and be readily available for inspection by any occupational health officer.
 10. A copy of this exemption shall be given to any municipal resident to whom the exemption applies.
 11. A copy of this exemption shall be posted in two conspicuous locations in the office of each R.M. that relies on this exemption.

AND FOR THIS REASON:

1. The standard of health and safety of any worker will not be materially affected by this exemption.

EXPIRY AND REVOCATION:

This exemption may be revoked by the Director at any time without notice. Unless sooner revoked, this exemption shall expire on November 30, 2019.



Ray Anthony
Executive Director
Occupational Health and Safety Division

Date: November 29, 2016

Contractor's Agreement

I _____, a resident of the R.M. of _____
who has been contracted by the R.M. to remove snow from roadways within the RM. hereby
confirm that I have read this exemption and agree to comply with its terms and conditions.

Signature

Date:

Print Name: _____

Amendments to the Highway Traffic Act

Effective October 1, 2000, amendments to *The Highway Traffic Act* include instructions regarding the use of amber beacon and flashing lamps on specific vehicle types.

Section 63.2 of the Act now reads:

Where a tow truck, highway maintenance vehicle, snow removal vehicle, service vehicle or pilot car is fitted with an amber beacon or flashing light, the driver shall not light the

amber beacon or put the flashing light into operation unless:

- (a) the vehicle is coming to a stop or is standing on a highway;
- (b) it is necessary to do so for the safe operation of the vehicle; or
- (c) the vehicle presents a hazard to other vehicles on the highway.

In order to reduce confusion for other drivers, the rules were clarified for flashing amber lights on snowploughs, other snow removal and

highway maintenance vehicles and tow trucks. These types of vehicles are permitted to use their flashing lights only when actively removing snow, towing a vehicle or when presenting a hazard, and not for general driving practices.

Section 8 of *The Vehicle Equipment Regulations, 1987*, requires highway maintenance or snow removal vehicles operated on a highway to be fitted with one or more amber beacons. ■

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The Vehicle Administration Act and Regulations, states:

"A highway maintenance or snow removal vehicle operated on a highway shall be fitted with one or more amber beacons that emits a light that is visible from 125 metres on a clear night."

"'beacon' means a lamp that emits a rotating or flashing light that is visible from any horizontal angle around the lamp."

Please note that hazard lamps or warning lights on a tractor ARE NOT BEACONS!

