

## SNOW EVENT PARKING BAN - REMINDER

This reminder notice is being mailed to all residents living on or near a designated snow route. This winter, Calgary will once again implement Snow Route parking bans. This program will touch every community in Calgary and will impact all citizens who drive.

### What are Snow Route parking bans and why do we need them?

Snow Route parking bans are temporary parking restrictions on designated routes following snow falls of approximately five (5) centimetres or more.

Snow Routes exist in all communities in Calgary, and include major roadways and most bus routes. Snow Routes have been marked by blue signs with white snowflakes —Watch for these signs in your community. A map of the Snow Route locations can be found at [Calgary.ca/snow](http://Calgary.ca/snow).

Snow Route parking bans are beneficial for a number of reasons:

- City crews will be able to remove snow from curb-to-curb on Snow Routes.
- Plowing times will be reduced as plows won't have to navigate around parked cars. This will enable crews to get to residential routes sooner.
- Vehicles won't get plowed-in.

While parking on most Snow Routes will be banned for 72 hours following a Snow Event, motorists will still be able to park on most streets in the City's major shopping districts from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. To learn which business areas are included and other exemptions, please visit [Calgary.ca/snow](http://Calgary.ca/snow).

### What this means for Calgarians

Become familiar with the Snow Routes in the areas where you live, work and visit. Be aware of the weather and understand that if you are parked on a Snow Route this winter and a parking ban is declared, you will have to find alternate parking.

The Calgary Parking Authority is responsible for enforcing the snow route parking ban.

Vehicles left in a parking restricted area will be subject to enforcement measures **up to and including ticketing and towing**.

The snow route parking ban falls under the **Calgary Traffic Bylaw 26M96, Section 37.1 (6) Parking on Snow Control Route during Snow Event**. The fine for this offence is \$40 (if paid within 10 days), \$50 (if paid within 30 days) and \$75 after 30 days.

For more information about Calgary Parking Authority, please visit [www.calgaryparking.com](http://www.calgaryparking.com).

If you are ever unsure if a parking ban is in effect, visit [Calgary.ca/snow](http://Calgary.ca/snow), tune in to local news or radio stations, or call 3-1-1 and listen to the automated Snow Route message.

You can also sign-up for automatic email alerts, give your feedback, download the Road Conditions Application or see the City Newsroom releases to find out when a Snow Event is declared or lifted. To find out more, visit [www.calgary.ca/snow](http://www.calgary.ca/snow).





## **Tips for avoiding parking tickets During a Snow Route Parking Ban**

- During a Snow Route parking ban, citizens are asked to remove their vehicles from the affected roads immediately to facilitate plowing. Calgarians are urged to remove vehicles from the street when a Snow Event Advisory is declared ahead of a snow route parking ban.
- Remember that when a Snow Route parking ban is declared, it is in effect city-wide.
- Snow plows often return to the same locations multiple times to ensure the snow is cleared, so vehicles cannot be moved back onto a snow route even after a plow has gone through.
- If you're going out of town, please ensure your car is not parked on a Snow Route or ask someone to move your car if a Snow Event occurs.
- You are encouraged to find alternate parking in a garage, underground parkade, surface lot or on secondary side streets during a snow event. CPA offers complimentary overnight use of our parkades and surface lots during snow events from 9:00 pm until 6:00 am the next morning.
- Snow route signage is only placed on entry points to the route. Be sure to check the entry point to see if the road is a snow route prior to parking.
- If a Snow Event is declared, those with residential parking permits must also remove their vehicles from the affected roads immediately.