



Media Release

Town of Midland declares Significant Weather Event

December 7, 2021 – The Town of Midland is declaring a Significant Weather Event due to the significant snow accumulation experienced throughout the night and the expected dangerous whiteout conditions today and tonight. Environment Canada’s [special weather alert](#) and snow squall warning outlines total snow amounts of up to an additional 15cm in the following 12-hour period. Visibility will be significantly reduced due to bursts of heavy snow and widespread blowing snow that will quickly accumulate with winds up to 15km/h. Blowing snow will be most hazardous in open areas, such as roads along open fields.

Declaring a Significant Weather Event as it relates to Ontario’s Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways means an approaching or occurring weather hazard has the potential to pose a significant danger to drivers and pedestrians. Municipal roads and sidewalks are considered to be in a state of repair until the event has ended.

Rapidly accumulating snow and snow squalls can make travel difficult in some areas, prepare for deteriorating travel conditions and weather conditions to vary considerably even within a few kilometres. High winds can also bring down powerlines. Residents are asked to avoid non-essential travel until conditions improve and drive with extra caution if travel is necessary. If you see a downed powerline in Midland, stay back at least 10 metres and call 9-1-1 and Midland Power Utility Corporation (P.U.C.) at 705-526-9361.

The Town Municipal Office will be closed on Tuesday, December 7, however the NSSRC will remain open at this time. Visitors continue to be subject to current COVID-19 restrictions. Mid-Pen Transit will also continue to operate.

Updates will be provided on [Midland.ca](#), and our social media channels for updates, [@MidlandON](#) on Twitter, and [@townofmidland](#) on Facebook once the declaration has been lifted.



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