



Public Notice

Town of Midland Declares Significant Weather Event and Service Impacts

For Immediate Release

December 22, 2022 – The Town of Midland has declared a Significant Weather Event based on the [Environment Canada](#) special weather statement for Midland and surrounding areas.

Municipal services impacted:

- **Municipal office**
 - In-person services (including Free Senior Transit Card and Harbour Parking registration*). Scheduled staff will be working remotely, and can be contacted by phone, email or by creating a [customer service case](#).
- **North Simcoe Sports and Recreation Centre (NSSRC)**
 - May be affected December 23rd and 24th. Follow the Town's social media for updates. Over the holiday weekend NSSRC is scheduled to be closed from noon December 24th to 7am December 27th.
- **Mid-Pen Transit**
 - May be affected December 23rd and 24th. Follow the Town's social media for updates. Transit is running modified hours December 24th with the last bus at 4:15pm. Over the holiday weekend Transit is not running December 25th and 26th.

Residents are encouraged to use extreme caution and only venture out if necessary. If residents must travel, please stay a safe distance away from maintenance vehicles (plows, etc.) to provide them space to safely clear the snow and ice, and are requested not to park on Town streets at any time during the storm. Please check weather forecasts regularly.

What is a Significant Weather Event?

A Significant Weather Event can be declared under the Municipal Act, 2001, extending the requirements established in Ontario's Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways.

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A Significant Weather Event is an approaching or occurring weather hazard and 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 is declared ended. This is not a declaration of an Emergency under the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act.

How to Prepare for Severe Weather

[Environment Canada](#) has stated travel conditions may become dangerous with possible extensive utility outages. Due to the expected multi-day weather event, consider preparing an emergency kit for your household with at least three days of emergency supplies. See tips on how to prepare for winter storms under [Ontario's Emergency Preparedness website](#), and tips on preparing an [emergency plan and kit](#). See [Environment Canada](#) for the most up-to-date information on the special weather statement.

There is the potential for power outages over the next few days. Please be sure to check with your power provider for up-to-date information; [Newmarket-Tay Power](#) or [Hydro One](#).

*For Midland seniors unable to register for their Seniors Free Transit card during early registration, please alert the bus driver for an accommodation when riding the bus between January 2-6, 2023.

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