

## City Will Create Ice Rink at Hawrelak Park for Winter Skating

The City of Edmonton will create a temporary ice rink at Hawrelak Park this winter so Edmontonians may continue to enjoy skating at the park while construction progresses on the lake.

As soon as cold temperatures permit, City crews will begin flooding an area in the [southeast area of the park](#) in order to continue Edmonton's winter tradition of skating in Hawrelak Park over the winter. This skating rink will be created for the 2013-14 winter season while work continues on deepening portions of Hawrelak Lake to accommodate the 2014 ITU Grand Final triathlon and to make needed repairs to the lake liner and drain system.



Construction work on the lake is now underway and is expected to last into January, weather conditions permitting. Because the work will continue early into the New Year, the lake will not be ready for skating this winter.

The temporary skating surface will be about 8,000 square metres, or slightly larger than the playing field at Commonwealth Stadium.

A temporary trailer where people can change into skates and warm up, along with portable toilets and temporary lights will be set up at the site. The timing for flooding the rink will depend on weather conditions as it must be cold enough at night and during the day in order to make ice.

Edmontonians looking for updates on when the rink will be ready should visit [Outdoor Skating & Ice Rinks](#) for information or call 311.

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