



Be cautious on slippery sidewalks

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The City of Edmonton reminds residents to be cautious on sidewalks as the temperature fluctuates and high winds create slippery conditions. Uncleared sidewalks are hazardous, especially for those with limited mobility who can be severely injured by a fall on ice or snow.

To avoid falling during winter months, look for ice, cracks and uneven surfaces while walking. Take small, slow steps when walking on ice; keep your head up and avoid leaning forward. For more tips for winter walking safety, watch Alberta Health Service's "[Do the Penguin Walk](#)."

Winter sidewalk maintenance in Edmonton is a team effort. City crews clear more than 1,300 km of the 5,400 km of sidewalks in Edmonton every winter. Edmontonians can do their part by clearing snow and ice from their walks and driveways within 48 hours of snowfall and lending a hand to neighbours who need help maintaining their walks.

Citizens are encouraged to apply sand to their sidewalks to improve traction. The City provides sand, free of charge, at the five Roadway Maintenance yards. Sand is available outside the front of the entrance of each yard; there is no need to drive into the yard.

- Central: 10517 - 95 Street
- Northeast: 13003 - 56 Street
- Southeast: 5409 - 59 Avenue
- Southwest: 14710 Ellerslie Road (on the roadway beside the eco station)
- Northwest: 14320 - 114 Avenue

By offering sand in all districts across Edmonton, the City can ensure sand is available to those who need it, no matter where they live. Some community leagues maintain their own sandboxes; citizens can contact their community leagues directly. Sand can also be purchased at many stores.

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