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Township of Wellington North declares Significant Weather Event per Ontario Regulation 239/02

WELLINGTON NORTH - The Township of Wellington North has declared a Significant Weather Event due to forecasted weather conditions that could result in significant snowfall and blowing snow. Travel is not recommended. If you must travel, you do so at your own risk and should use extreme caution.

What is a Significant Weather Event?

A municipality can declare a Significant Weather Event when a weather hazard is approaching or occurring and has the potential to pose a significant danger to users of roads and sidewalks. This allows Township operations additional time to address the significant weather event and remain in-compliance with the Minimum Maintenance Standards regulation (Ontario Regulation 239/02 as amended).

During adverse winter weather events:

- Avoid unnecessary travel. Change travel plans if possible.
- If you are travelling, make sure you have an emergency kit in car <u>https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/kts/cr-kt-en.aspx</u>
- Make sure you have snow tires on your vehicle.
- Give snowplows space keep a safe distance behind and do not attempt to pass.
- Check Ontario 511 for Provincial Highway closures and road conditions. <u>https://511on.ca/</u>
- Overnight on-street parking restrictions are in effect. Vehicles in Wellington North are not permitted to park on streets from 2 a.m.- 6 a.m.
- Do not obstruct the sidewalks with your vehicle or other items such as benches, signs, landscape materials, etc.
- See snow; travel slow.

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