

SNOW PLOW POLICY SENIORS / EMERGENCY

I. PURPOSE

Nipissing First Nation provides driveway clearing to seniors and for members in emergency situations to provide access to the residence.

II. EMEGENCY SNOWPLOWING

1. EMERGENCY ELIGIBILITY

"Emergency health reasons" – A situation or occurrence of a serious nature that has developed suddenly and unexpectedly and demands immediate assistance.

- a) Must be a member of Nipissing First Nation and residing on reserve.
- b) Applicant does not qualify for assistance through other agencies.
- c) Members of the household are deemed unfit to perform this duty.
- d) The individual receiving the service must be the primary owner or primary tenant. The residence must be their principle residence.

2. PROCESS

- a) Contact must be made by the individual requiring assistance or spouse/family member by contacting the Home and Community Care Program of Nipissing First Nation, 58 Semo Road, Garden Village, Ontario or by phone at 705-753-3312.
- b) Individual and members of the household must provide medical documentation including diagnosis, need for snow removal service and time frame required.
- c) The application must agree to complete a Home and Community Care assessment in order to receive continued services up to the maximum period.
- d) Home and Community Care Program will coordinate the arrangements on behalf of the applicant.

3. MAXIMUM ASSISTANCE

This service is for a short term period not to exceed six (6) weeks. A review of the situation will be conducted after the 6 week period to determine if an extension is needed.

III. SENIORS SNOWPLOWING

1. SENIORS ELIGIBILITY

- a) Must be a member of Nipissing First Nation and sixty-five (65) years of age or over.
- b) The senior requesting must be the primary owner or primary tenants. The residence must be their principle residence.
- c) Home must be situated on Nipissing First Nation and within the area being serviced by the Public Works department.

2. PROCESS

- a) The Facilities Department will prepare a list of eligible members each year. If members who met the eligibility requirements and are not on the list, must contact the Facilities Department to request services of Nipissing First Nation at 36 Semo Road, Garden Village or by phone at 705-753-2050.
- b) This service is being offered to seniors in order for emergency vehicles to have access to the residence should the need arise. One lane at a minimum of 12 feet wide at each residence will be cleared.
- c) It is the responsibility of the home owner or primary tenant to ensure that the driveway is clear of any obstacles is maintained, and there is an area to push the snow.

IV. WAIVER

Individuals receiving the service must sign a "Waiver of Liability" prior to receiving services.

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