



By-law and Regulatory Services Division

Fall Newsletter



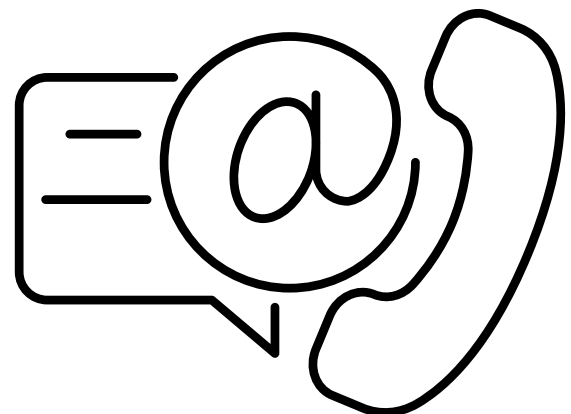
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Markham's Municipal Law Enforcement Officers provide complaint based and proactive enforcement services for all the City's regulatory by-laws. This division is also responsible for enforcement of parking by-laws.

Contact Information

- Follow Markham By-law on Twitter [@MarkhamBylaw](https://twitter.com/MarkhamBylaw) (Note: This account is not monitored 24/7)
- Visit our website for more information on frequently requested by-laws.
- For service requests, call 905.477.5530 or visit markham.ca





Parking Operations

Markham By-Law ABC's

**Always
Be
Careful**

As we enter the Fall season, here are some things we can do to make sure things go smoothly and safely:

- Be cautious of back to school traffic. There will be more traffic in the morning and afternoon, so give yourself enough time to get where you need to be
- Watch out for fallen leaves. They can pose a hazard when walking or driving, as they can be very slippery
- Ensure walkways and catch basins are free of debris and leaves
- Be prepared for all types of weather

School Zone



When driving in a school zone or driving children to and from school:

- Reduce your speed and be ready to stop at all times
- Wait for children to complete their crossing before proceeding and obey crossing guards
- Stop for school buses and be aware of children exiting
- Park away from the school and walk your child onto and from school property. Avoid fire zones and respect accessible parking spots
- Be patient

To file a complaint concerning illegal signage, contact us at: 905-477.7782 or customerservice@markham.ca. Additionally, we encourage you to visit our website at [markham.ca/wps/portal/home/online-services/request-a-service](https://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/home/online-services/request-a-service), where you can also submit a complaint regarding illegal signage through our online service request system

Winter Maintenance



With the winter season fast approaching us, please be reminded that no vehicle is permitted to park on the road while snow clearing operations are underway.

- For vehicles with overnight parking exemptions and parking permits, these permits do not apply during snow events. Your vehicle must be moved off the street to allow for the safe operation of snow plows
- If a snow plow is forced to clear around your vehicle you may be found to have interfered with a snow plow and subject to a penalty of \$150.00



Property Standards

Noise By-law

With the end of summer and the upcoming holiday season, we want to remind everyone about expectations around noise in the community. Refer to the chart on the right for Amplified Noise regulations.

Shouting, whistling and singing are not allowed after 11 PM.

Noise beyond permitted time is subject to enforcement.

Noise permits can be applied for through our City's website.

Days of the week	Prohibited Times	Permitted Times
Monday - Thursday	5 PM one day to 7 AM the next day	7 AM to 5 PM
Friday	11 PM one day to 7 AM the next day	7 AM to 11 PM
Saturday	11 PM one day to 7 AM the next day	7 AM to 11 PM
Sunday	5 PM one day to 9 AM the next day	9 AM to 5 PM

Furthermore, as the fall season sets in, the rush to complete existing construction projects begins. The regulations for construction-related noise can be seen at a glance in this chart to the right.

Please note that while the City appreciates the need for contractors to complete their projects on time, noise is **strictly** prohibited on Sundays.



Days of the week	Prohibited Times	Permitted Times
Monday - Thursday	7 PM one day to 7 AM the next day	7 AM to 7 PM
Friday	7 PM one day to 9 AM the next day	7 AM to 7 PM
Saturday	5 PM one day to 7 AM the following Monday	7 AM to 7 PM
Sunday	No noise permitted	No noise permitted



Fall Safety Tips & Advice

Halloween Safety



Children and adults look forward to October 31st and trick-or-treating.

Here are some safety tips for when you are out and about:

- Wear something reflective and carry a flashlight
- Avoid wearing masks with costumes as they make it harder to see
- Make sure to choose a comfortable costume
- Check your candies before consuming

Daylight Saving Time



Daylight Saving Time ends on November 5, 2023 and we gain back one hour of sleep! Our bodies may not be quick to adapt to this change.

Here are some things you can do:

- Stick to a consistent sleep schedule
- Limit your screen time at least half an hour before bed
- Create a night time routine that suits you

Smoke & CO Detector Maintenance



The end of daylight savings time presents a good opportunity for you to inspect your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure that they are in good working order and change batteries if need be.

Yard Maintenance



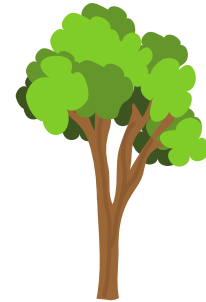
Want to give a boost for your lawn without the need to do any work? Try leaving the leaves on your lawn instead of raking them. The decomposing leaves will provide your lawn with vital nutrients and improve lawn quality come the spring. If you do wish to rake them, make sure the leaves are disposed of in compostable paper yard bags. The burning of leaves is not permitted within the City of Markham without a permit.



Tree Preservation

Tree Preservation is Everyone's Responsibility

- Call before you cut!
- The City of Markham **Tree Preservation By-law 2008-96** regulates the destruction or injury of trees. This by-law applies to all properties within the City of Markham
- The by-law requires a permit to be obtained before removing or injuring any tree with a diameter of 20 centimetres (8 inches) or more, measuring 1.37 metres (54 inches) from the ground, on private and commercial property
- You can obtain a permit by visiting the Markham Civic Centre or online at **[markham.ca/trees](https://www.markham.ca/trees)**
- You can view tree permit applications by visiting **[markham.ca/wps/portal/home/business/planning/sa-mappit](https://www.markham.ca/wps/portal/home/business/planning/sa-mappit)**



Bright Spots - In the Community

1. *"The interaction with your Tree Preservation Technician was wonderful, it was a pleasure to deal with the young lady".*
2. *"My mom wants to say there has been no more school activity and she is enjoying the backyard very much! Thank you Markham Bylaw".*
3. *"Thank you for your prompt response regarding my concerns about the noise levels at the recent events held at the Markham Fairgrounds over the August Civic weekend.*
I appreciate the clarification you provided about the Noise Exemption permit issued for the events on August 4th and 5th. It's good to know that steps were taken to manage noise levels within the approved permit parameters.
I also want to express my gratitude for your commitment to addressing the concerns raised by the residents of the City of Markham. Encouraging community engagement and collaboration in the decision-making process is a commendable approach. Finding viable and sustainable solutions that balance the enjoyment of events with the comfort and well-being of the residents is essential for maintaining a harmonious community.
I look forward to future engagements and discussions that involve the community in decision-making processes related to Noise Exemption permits and other matters that impact the residents of our city".