

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Safety first - curbside collection is cancelled until Tuesday, January 4, 2022**

#### **Summary**

For everyone's safety while we face our current winter road conditions, all scheduled curbside garbage, recycling and organics collection is now cancelled until Tuesday, January 4, 2022.

With a change in the weather forecast for this weekend and efforts still underway to clear the roads of accumulated snow, all collection (including the previously rescheduled weekend collection) is cancelled for all routes.

Scheduled collection will resume on Tuesday, January 4, following the 2022 Collection Calendar.

To accommodate missed recycling collection, residents will be able to put extra recycling out on their next scheduled recycling collection day. Similarly, for missed garbage collection, residents will be able to put an extra bag of garbage out for pickup on their next scheduled garbage collection day (one extra bag per account).

Collection staff will be physically tossing extra garbage and recycling. When putting out extra garbage on your next garbage pickup day, please place garbage in a tied garbage bag one metre to the side or behind the black cart (not in front). An extra garbage bag can be any size as long as it would fit into your black cart.

When putting out extra recyclables on your next recycling day, please place them in an easy-to-empty container or box that is the same size or smaller than your blue cart, and place this one metre behind or beside your blue cart when you take it to the curbside for pickup.

The City continues to monitor road conditions and will be updating the City website and the Nanaimo Recycles app (available on Google Play and the Apple App Store). <https://www.nanaimo.ca/city-services/garbage-recycling/collectionschedule>

*Strategic Link:* Keeping our community safe is an important part of Livability and a responsibility of Governance Excellence.

#### **Key Points**

- For safety, due to our current winter road conditions, all scheduled curbside garbage, recycling and organics collection is now cancelled until Tuesday, January 4, 2022.
- To accommodate missed recycling collection, residents will be able to put extra recycling out on their next scheduled recycling collection day. Similarly, for missed garbage collection, residents will be able to put an extra bag of garbage out for pickup on their next scheduled garbage collection day.

#### **Quotes**

"As beautiful as this snowfall has been, it's brought with it an abundance of inconvenience. Curbside collection is the latest challenge for our crews, and with slippery roads and the great potential for icy roads this weekend, well - no one wants a 25 ton truck sliding out of control on our streets. Thanks for your patience, Nanaimo!"

Leonard Krog  
Mayor  
City of Nanaimo

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## Quick Facts

- For more information about curbside collection, please visit <https://www.nanaimo.ca/city-services/garbage-recycling> or contact the City of Nanaimo Public Works department at 250-758-5222 or [public.worksinfo@nanaimo.ca](mailto:public.worksinfo@nanaimo.ca).

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