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 DISTRICT 9 ONLINE NEWS  
 HALIFAX WEST ARMDALE



**WELCOME JULY!**



Happy Kana'ta Canada Day!  
 There are many incredible events to enjoy throughout our municipality this summer starting with Kana'ta Day,

the North American Indigenous Games, the Halifax Pride Festival and Parade, the grand opening of the new Halifax Aquatic Facility on the Halifax Common and so much more!

Keep reading for updates on speed limit reductions in the Westmount neighbourhood, HRM's efforts on homelessness, career and volunteer firefighter recruitment; mobile special waste disposal events and much more!

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### JULY MEETING DATES

Regional Council, Halifax & West Community Council and Regional Centre Community Council meetings will be held on:

**Regional Council:**

Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**Halifax & West Community Council:**

Tuesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

**Regional Centre Community Council:**

Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Please confirm dates and times on our [municipal website](#) as they are subject to change.

### DID YOU KNOW...

That July is [Plastic Free July](#).

July 1<sup>st</sup> is [Canada Day](#)

July 1<sup>st</sup> is [International Joke Day](#)

July 7<sup>th</sup> is [Global Forgiveness Day](#)

July 11<sup>th</sup> is [World Population Day](#)

July 18<sup>th</sup> is [Nelson Mandela International Day](#)

July 20<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> [Halifax Pride Festival](#)

July 20<sup>th</sup> is the start of [FIFA Women's World Cup](#)

July 20<sup>th</sup> is [World Chess Day](#)

July 29<sup>th</sup> is [Global Tiger Day](#)

### KANA'TA: CANADA DAY



Join us for [KANA'TA: Canada Day 2023](#)

celebrations on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. This re-envisioned format for Canada Day offers a variety of new and refreshed cultural, musical, and family-oriented events to enjoy.

Developed in close collaboration with Indigenous communities, KANA'TA: Canada Day 2023 offers programming that honours the traditions of the Mi'kmaw Nation and celebrates pan-Indigenous communities that call the municipality home.

KANA'TA: Canada Day 2023 programming will include the Mawio'mi on the Halifax Waterfront, a Dartmouth Summer Sunshine Series free concert, a Multi-Stage experience on the Halifax Waterfront featuring multiple genres of music – and the day time and night time headliners will take to the SKY! For the first time ever the The Canadian Forces (CF) Snowbirds will host an Air Show at lunch time over the Halifax Harbour.

KANA'TA: Canada Day 2023 is partnering with The Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21 and the Halifax Citadel National Historic site to offer **free admission on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>**.



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## FIREFIGHTER RECRUITMENT



A career as a firefighter is both challenging and rewarding. In this role, you will have the opportunity to serve your community while working as a member of a highly skilled professional team.

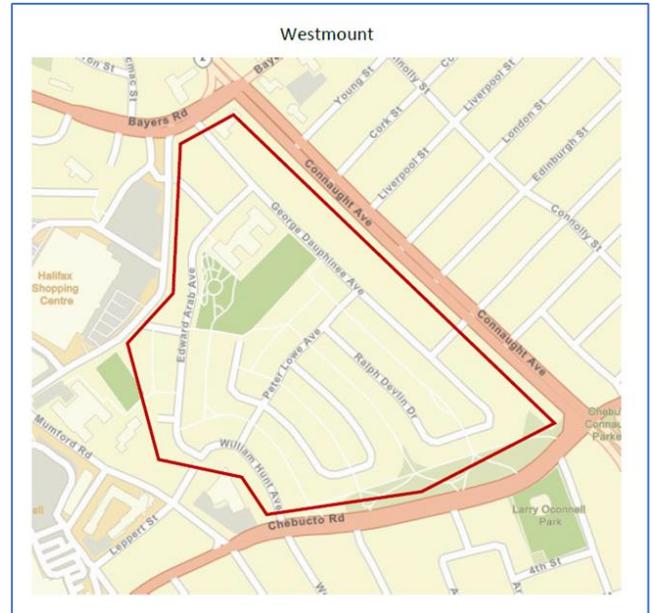
[Halifax Regional Fire & Emergency](#) (HRFE) is committed to being reflective of the diverse communities we serve. We encourage applications from African Nova Scotians, racially visible persons, women, persons with disabilities, Indigenous persons and persons of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community. HRM encourages applicants to self-identify.

You may choose between becoming a Career Firefighter or a Volunteer Firefighter. [Click here](#) for more information on opportunities to work for HRFE.



Creating a safe community through protection of life, property and environment.

## SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION – WESTMOUNT



The Halifax Regional Municipality advises residents that speed limits have been reduced from 50 km/h to 40 km/h in the residential streets bound by Connaught Avenue, Mumford Road, Chebucto Road and the Halifax Shopping Centre.

Neighbourhood speed limit reductions are part of the municipality’s ongoing initiatives to improve [road safety](#). All streets with reduced speeds are inside the highlighted area of the above map. The impacted streets within the boundary are:

- George Dauphinee Avenue
- Ralph Devlin Drive
- Peter Lowe Avenue
- William Hunt Avenue
- Edward Arab Avenue
- Lloyd Fox Avenue
- Jack Ferguson Avenue



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- Winston Place
- Doug Smith Drive
- Robert Murphy Drive

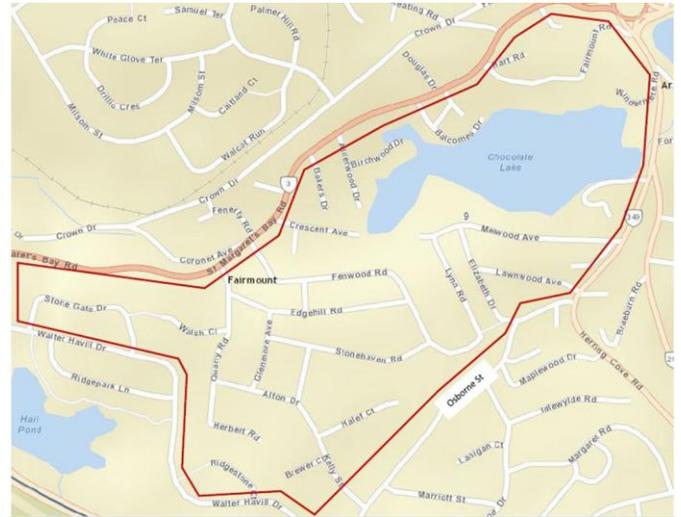
Through the Nova Scotia Motor Vehicle Act (MVA), the province legislates speed limits on public roadways to a default speed limit of 50 km/h. The province allows municipalities to request posted speed limits below 50 km/h if accompanied by necessary documentation including current operating speeds and roadway characteristics.

The speed limit reduction in these areas is being implemented following provincial approval based on available data and an assessment of roadway characteristics that meet their qualifications.

Neighbourhood speed limit reduction is one of many road safety initiatives employed by Halifax Regional Municipality to achieve the Regional Council-approved commitment to move toward zero fatalities and injuries related to any mode of transportation. Road safety is key to ensuring safe communities with thriving, accessible, mobility options for all ages and abilities. To learn more about the municipality's commitment to road safety, including how streets are considered for neighbourhood street speed limit reduction visit [halifax.ca/roadsafety](http://halifax.ca/roadsafety).



## SPEED LIMIT REDUCTION – ARMDALE



Halifax Regional Municipality is advising residents that speed limits have been reduced from 50 km/h to 40 km/h in the residential streets bound by St. Margarets Bay Road, Osborne Street, Herring Cove Road and Walter Havill Drive. All streets with reduced speeds are inside the highlighted area of the map shown above. Neighbourhood speed limit reductions are part of the municipality's ongoing initiatives to improve [road safety](#).

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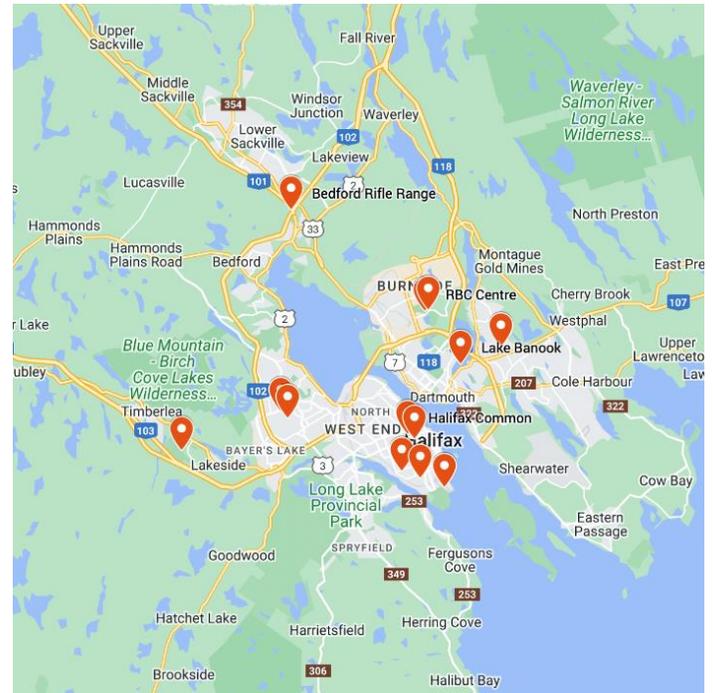
### NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES (NAIG)



The 10th [North American Indigenous Games](#) will be held from July 15<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> here in Halifax. It will host competitions in 16 sports within 21 venues across Kijipuktuk (Halifax), Dartmouth, Millbrook First Nation and Sipekne'katik.

The North American Indigenous Games (NAIG) 2023 will bring together more than 5,000 athletes, coaches and team staff from 756+ Indigenous Nations celebrating, sharing and reconnecting through sport and culture with the help of 3,000 volunteers. View the schedule

of sporting events [here](#). Venues are shown on the map below.



### HOMELESSNESS & HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS

As housing insecurity continues to be an issue in the region, work with community partners and other levels of government has significantly accelerated, and collaboration has expanded to help address both [affordable housing](#) and homelessness. This work is guided by the municipality's [Framework for Addressing Homelessness](#).

The municipality's approach to homeless encampments is to treat people experiencing homelessness in our public spaces with dignity while working to find ways to best support



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them within our capacity and scope as a municipality.

The right to adequate housing is embedded in international law, federal legislation, and municipal strategies and frameworks.

Accordingly, the municipality understands encampments to be in violation of individuals' rights to adequate housing.

For these reasons, the municipality's approach has been to allow occupants of homeless encampments to remain until adequate housing has been identified and offered, or until the health and safety of the occupants or public are at risk.

This approach does not condone or support the installation of infrastructure associated with encampments and requires that steps be taken to address demonstrated risks to the health and safety of occupants or the public.

The municipality's response to homeless encampments is collaborative and community-based. We are the primary funding partner for the Street Outreach Navigators, through the downtown business improvement districts. The Street Outreach Navigators help ensure those experiencing homelessness have access to appropriate supports.

The Province of Nova Scotia, as well as community-based partners including the Street Outreach Navigators and housing support workers, continue to offer those experiencing homelessness with support – including a range of housing options and/ or temporary accommodation.

As the municipality considers its ongoing support around the issue of homelessness, the following principles are guiding efforts by staff:

- The municipality wants everyone to have a home.
- As supported by the Government of Canada in their Reaching Home initiatives, Housing First is the recommended approach to help individuals experiencing homelessness.
- Every action the municipality takes in assisting people experiencing homelessness should be grounded in a harm reduction approach, consider how it supports human rights, and maintains personal dignity for those affected.
- Relationship building, learning, education, and voluntary compliance are always preferred over an involuntary compliance action.
- Transparency and ongoing communication are essential for the development of trust.
- Whenever possible, the municipality should avoid duplicating the work of other service providers in the community and instead support them in their efforts to serve residents better.
- Nothing for us, without us – the people who will be impacted by decisions and actions should be meaningfully involved in those decisions.
- Everyone is expected to follow the law.

Halifax Regional Police (HRP) should not be a primary response to many of the issues surrounding homelessness. HRP should be



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focused on the prevention and resolution of crime. Responses to issues surrounding homelessness should, whenever possible, be led by Street Navigators, service providers, and civilian compliance officer.

Please call 311 if you have questions or concerns on homeless encampments.

Please call 211 for information on provincial programs and services.



## SPLASHPADS | OUTDOOR POOLS | SUPERVISED BEACHES



[Splashpads & Outdoor Pools](#) are now open at various locations throughout HRM.

The Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools and all supervised municipal beaches are now open for the 2023 season. Bookings are required for the Bedford and Cole Harbour outdoor pools and can be completed online.

Memberships for the Bedford Outdoor Pool can now be purchased at the Lebrun Recreation Centre, and memberships for the Cole Harbour Outdoor Pool can be purchased at the Cole Harbour Recreation Centre.



## HALIFAX COMMON AQUATIC FACILITY



Once complete, the Aquatics Facility on the Halifax Common will include a 13,500 square foot pool with

capacity for 450 people, a new playground, and a year-round pavilion with a community room, kitchenette, and modular stage for performers.



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It is anticipated the new facility will be open to the public in summer 2023.

The new pool will feature a sloped, beach-style entry, as well as a barrier free lift to allow safe access for users of all abilities. The six-foot deep end will contain roped-off swimming lanes for lap swimmers and aquatic climbing walls. An exterior water plaza, and spray features will provide additional entertainment for users of all ages.

The pool change room building will contain universal (gender neutral) change rooms and washrooms. The washroom facilities will be accessible to all visitors to the Common. Large overhangs on the facility building will provide shade and shelter for pool users, summer camp groups and park patrons.

The splash pad will be replaced with a new water plaza that features interactive inground fountain sprays with lighting and sequencing that will provide a multi-sensory and interactive play experience for people of all ages. The water plaza will be surrounded with new park development with tables, seating, and benches under a grove of shade trees.

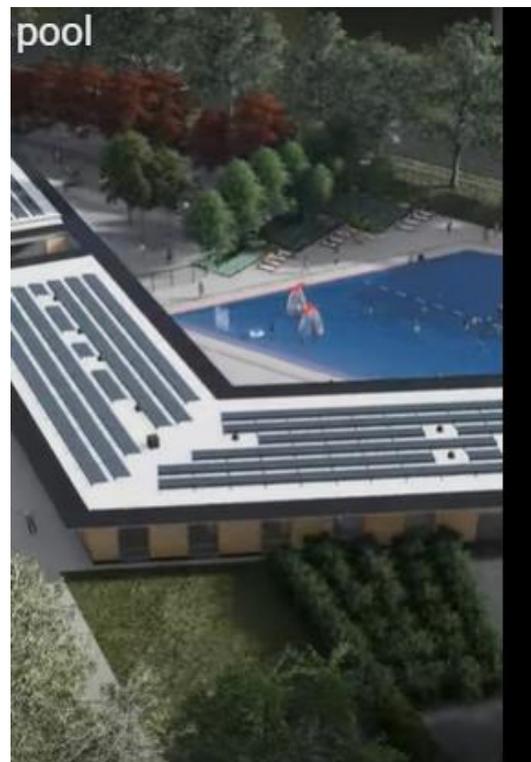
The existing Pavilion will be replaced with a new building with two sections connected by a breezeway. It will be constructed to be net-zero ready with solar panels on the roof and natural ventilation in the summer.

The Pavilion will operate year-round and will have a community space that can be booked for a range of events such as live concerts for

youth, community celebrations, or recreation programming. There will be public washrooms open to all park users, a kitchenette, and a community room with a capacity of up to 100 people. The community room will include a portable stage and doors that open out into the park, allowing events to be held indoors or outdoors.

The new playground area will be an accessible, inclusive playground with natural play features and plantings. It will include shade structures, benches, and seating surrounded by new trees.

Landscaping will feature natural boulders, grasses, and vegetation reminiscent of Nova Scotia's coastal environments.



Halifax Common Aquatic Facility – pool design.



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### REC VAN 2023



The Rec Van is visiting rural communities throughout the municipality all summer long!

[Check out our daily stops](#) scheduled every Monday – Thursday. The REC van is stacked with equipment for more than 50 different activities and sports, including baseball, basketball, soccer, washer toss, giant checkers, archery, skipping, and much more!

Questions? Contact: [recvan@halifax.ca](mailto:recvan@halifax.ca).

### POLLINATOR SPECIES



Did you know that the Halifax Regional Municipality is home to hundreds of different pollinator species, from hummingbirds and bats to butterflies and

bees? Although [Pollinator Week](#) was from June 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, it is important to identify the benefits of and threats to the diverse assortment of pollinators that live in our region.

Pollinators are an essential part of ecosystems and food security. Pollinators allow plants to

reproduce by moving pollen from flower to flower. More specifically, a pollinator moves pollen from the male anther of a flower to the female stigma of a flower. This is how many of our food crops reproduce.

In fact, [one out of every three bites](#) of food that we take is the result of the work of pollinators. The problem is that pollinators are in serious trouble and, in many cases, even at risk of extinction due to the effects of climate change. More and more of these key species are declining as an effect of rising temperatures, natural disasters, the increase in diseases such as American foulbrood and *Nosema apis* and the disappearance of food and habitat. Because pollinators need natural spaces with vegetation and flowering plants to forage for pollen and nectar, the expansion of agriculture, mining and development are leading to a dangerous lack of nourishment.

[Here is a list](#) of species that are important to the pollination of our communities.

### WEEKLY GREENCART COLLECTION – JULY 3<sup>RD</sup>

Weekly green cart collection will begin on Monday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The summer green cart collection service will be in effect for the months of July, August and September. Collection services can begin as early as 7:00 a.m. Residents are asked to place materials curbside the evening prior to collection day to ensure items are



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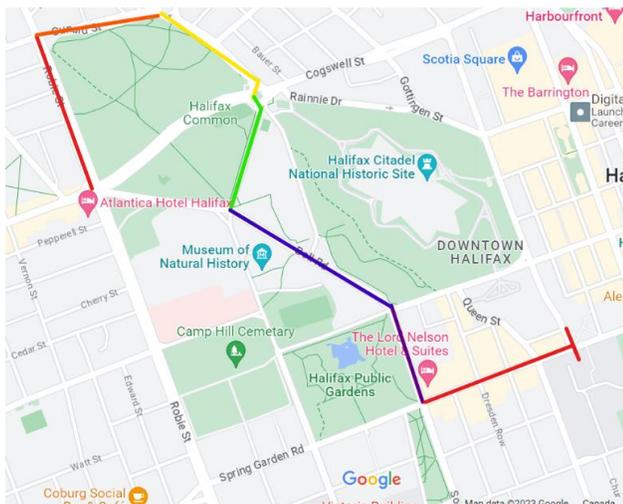
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collected. Residents can look up their collection schedules on our [website](#).

Bi-weekly green cart collection will resume on Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

For more information on curbside collection, visit our [website](#).

## HALIFAX PRIDE FESTIVAL AND PARADE



Above is the new Halifax Pride Festival [Parade Route](#). This year's parade will begin at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>.

For more information on the fun filled week of Halifax Pride Festival activities, [click here](#).

## EMERA OVAL OPEN



The Emera Oval has opened for residents and guests to enjoy in-line skating, roller skates, biking, skateboarding and more.

The Emera Oval offers:

- free equipment rentals (with valid government issued ID)
- public washrooms
- first aid
- an accessible washroom
- on street accessible parking
- wheelchair access on the surface (outside lane only).

Before heading over, please check the [schedule](#) in case of closures due to weather issues, surface condition or special events.

[Group bookings](#) are available for 20 people or more with advance registration.

### Hours of operation:

July & August

Monday to Friday: 11:00 a.m.- 9:00 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday: 12:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.



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### September & October

Monday – Sunday: 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

#### Contact the Emera Oval

Email: [skateHRM@halifax.ca](mailto:skateHRM@halifax.ca)

Emera Oval Hotline: 902.490.2347

## REGISTRATION - READY FOR REC INCLUSION PROGRAMS

Register now for Ready for Rec summer programs for youth aged 13-18. Ready for Rec programs are designed for children and youth who have diverse needs and require additional supports to be successful in a recreation environment. The focus is on accommodations, adaptations, and small participant to instructor ratios tailored to individual skills and learning styles.

**Date:** Weeks of July 4<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, July 17<sup>th</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup>, July 31<sup>st</sup> and August 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Central Spryfield Elementary School, 364 Herring Cove Road, Spryfield

This fun summer program is designed for youth with disabilities aged 13-18. Participants will explore the community and learn new things along the way. The focus is healthy living through fun recreation activities. Participants should be able to be in a group of two or three campers to one staff.



### Ready for Rec – Outdoor

**Date:** Weeks of August 14<sup>th</sup> and Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 10:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Shubie Park (drop off by the Fairbanks Centre)

The Ready for Rec Outdoor Camp offers an inclusive and supported environment for youth aged 13-18 with disabilities to learn and explore nature. Participants will engage in a combination of structured and unstructured seasonal activities, such as nature walks, scavenger hunts, creative expression and free play. This program offers one-to-one staffing if needed.

To register for Ready for Rec youth programs, please contact: [inclusion@halifax.ca](mailto:inclusion@halifax.ca).





## SOLID WASTE – WHAT GOES WHERE?



I often get questions from residents about sorting recyclables, but also about what happens to your recyclables once they get picked up at the curb.

### Where does our recycling go?

- All blue bag material is collected and taken to the Material Recovery Facility (MRF), located in Bayers Lake.
- Approximately 80-90% of what is recyclable in the blue bag is sent from the MRF to market for recycling.
- Most of the residue produced from the MRF (i.e., material that is landfilled) is non-recyclable material, including materials that should have been placed in the garbage.
- Approximately 80% of materials shipped from the MRF were transported to markets within Canada with approximately 50% staying right here in Nova Scotia.
- Approximately 20% of materials were shipped to international markets

### How are these items recycled? Here are some examples:

- Newspaper/Writing Paper: - made into products such as paper plates and paper cup holders here in Nova Scotia
- Corrugated Cardboard - made into products such as new cardboard boxes, liner board for corrugated cardboard, and paper egg cartons in Canada
- Steel/Aluminum Food Cans - processed as scrap metal locally and used to make new metal products
- Laundry Detergent and Shampoo Containers – shredded into what is known as ‘flake’ in Canada and then used to make new plastic products

### Stewardship Programs Managed by Divert NS:

Glass Bottles – some are crushed and used as aggregate feedstock for concrete here in Nova Scotia

Plastic Bottles – shredded into what is known as ‘flake’ in Nova Scotia and then used to make new plastic products.

Despite best efforts to recycle and reuse – reduction of single use plastics can go a long way, and we are all making a collective effort to do this.

On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, [Environment and Climate Change Canada](#) and [Health Canada](#) published final regulations to prohibit single-use plastics, including checkout bags, cutlery, food-service



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ware made from or containing plastics that are hard to recycle, ring carriers, stir sticks, and straws (with some exceptions). Over the next decade, it is estimated that these Regulations will eliminate over 1.3 million tonnes of hard-to-recycle plastic waste and more than 22,000 tonnes of plastic pollution. Other key elements of Canada's approach toward reducing plastic pollution include establishing performance standards to increase the use of recycled content in certain plastic products and ensuring that manufacturers, importers, and sellers of plastic products and packaging are responsible for collecting and recycling them. Regional Council sent a supporting letter in response to consultation conducted in 2020.

It is anticipated that the Province of Nova Scotia will likely enact Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation in the next 6 months. This will completely change the approach to recycling in Nova Scotia and will facilitate a transition to a circular economy approach by making brand owners responsible for their products. Regional Council has supported this on multiple occasions in the past.

### Questions?

To learn more about recycling and waste collection in our municipality, visit our [website](#).

You can find out information about What Goes Where, sign up for weekly reminders and service alerts, or print a calendar customized for your address. You can also download the free Halifax Recycles app on your Android or

iOS device to have waste info at the palm of your hand!

## WASTE DISPOSAL EVENTS

### Household Special Waste Depots:

Residents looking to dispose of household special waste, not acceptable for curbside collection, can bring their materials to the following upcoming mobile household special waste depot events:

**When:** Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** BMO Centre, 61 Gary Martin Drive, Bedford

**When:** Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** Brookside Junior High, 2239 Prospect Road, Hatched Lake

**When:** Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Where:** Horizon Community School, 168 Redoubt Way, Eastern Passage

**When:** Saturday, July 29<sup>th</sup>

**Where:** George P. Vanier Junior High School, 1410 Fall River Road, Fall River

The mobile drop-off depot will be in operation from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will take place rain or shine.

Materials accepted at the household drop-off depot include:

- leftover corrosive cleaners
- pesticides/herbicides
- gasoline
- fuel oil and used motor oil (or find a [collection site](#) with Atlantic Used Oil Management Association)
- solvents



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- thinners
- pharmaceuticals and drugs (or [return to pharmacy](#))
- aerosol cans containing hazardous substances
- barbecue propane tanks
- small propane cylinders (for example, those used for camp stoves and propane torches)
- batteries (visit [call2recycle.ca](http://call2recycle.ca) for a full list of retail drop-off locations for batteries)
- leftover liquid paint (paint and empty paint cans may also be returned to any Enviro-Depot. Please visit [their website](#) for locations and hours of operation)
- CFL and fluorescent bulbs

The municipality also operates a permanent Household Special Waste Depot at 20 Horseshoe Lake Drive. Drop-off times are most Saturdays between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. The household special waste drop-off depots are open only to residents of the Halifax Regional Municipality. Business waste is not permitted.

For more information on Halifax's solid waste program including updates on future depot events, please visit our [website](#), download the [Halifax Recycles app](#) or call 311.



## LAKE WATCHERS



Get involved in monitoring the quality of our local lakes! The municipality's LakeWatchers program launched last year and is a great way to help keep our lakes safe and clean.

The program will involve community teams to:

- Conduct environmental monitoring in 76 lakes across the municipality.
- Collect data, such as pH levels, to inform future actions to maintain/improve a lake's health.
- Share data with residents through future staff reports to Regional Council and through the municipality's [Open Data Portal](#).

### You can get involved!

Data collection will take place twice yearly through a year through internal sampling (staff or contractors) and/or trained community teams, called LakeWatchers. The municipality will leverage existing water quality community groups and welcomes new volunteers to collect data in support of this program.

Interested in getting involved? Learn more [here](#).



## BLUE GREEN ALGAE



Blue-green algae, also known as cyanobacteria, are plant-like bacterial organisms naturally found in many types of water systems including ponds, lakes, rivers and wetlands. Blue-green algae are naturally present in small numbers. Under the right conditions (warm, slow moving, shallow water with enough sunlight and nutrients), blue-green algae can grow quickly and form blooms. Blue-green algae can be floating on the surface or grow along the bottom of a waterbody in what is called a mat. In large quantities, some types of blue-green algae produce toxins, which can be harmful to humans and animals.

The municipality monitors our supervised beaches for fecal bacteria, blue-green algae, and other waterborne contaminants between July 1 – August 31 annually. If a suspected blue-green bloom is observed at one of our supervised beaches, the beach is closed immediately and water samples are analyzed for toxins. The beach is not reopened until analysis confirms toxin levels are within safe

limits for recreation. When a bloom is reported to the province in a lake where the municipality supervises a beach, municipal staff conduct follow-up monitoring to ensure water quality is safe for recreational use.

Municipal staff monitor and report on the status of 18 beaches across the municipality. Watch for advisories by visiting our [website](#) and following [@hfxgov](#) on Twitter. Updates can also be found on the provincial [website](#).

Blue-green algae poses significant dangers to human health and the environment. **If a beach is closed this summer, do not swim or engage in any other recreational activity that may involve contact with water** (e.g., paddling). Keep children and pets away from the water. Do not drink the lake water and please note that boiling water will not remove toxins. I encourage everyone to follow beach rules and restrictions to be safe when visiting the beaches.

Report suspected algae contamination by calling 1-877-9ENVIRO (1-877-936-8476) and 311.





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### PETS IN VEHICLES



We're excited to welcome the warm, summer-y weather! However, the heat is not so enjoyable for pets – it can prove to be deadly when they're left behind in your vehicle.

The RCMP, HRP and the SPCA are encouraging all motorists to think twice before leaving your pets in your vehicle for any amount of time. Leaving your window cracked or parking in the shade makes almost no difference. Even during a quick trip into the grocery store, the inside of your vehicle can heat up quickly and become intolerable for pets. Please leave your pet at home or only visit pet-friendly businesses.

If you witness an animal exhibiting the following signs, they may be in distress:

- Exaggerated panting
- Rapid or erratic pulse
- Anxious or staring expression
- Weakness and muscle tremors
- Lack of coordination
- Red or blue tongue and lips
- Convulsions or vomiting

- Collapse or coma

If you come across an animal in a vehicle that appears to be in distress:

- Look for the owner of the car. Go to nearby stores and have the owner paged.
- If you cannot locate the owner, call your local police and stay at the vehicle until police arrive. Do not contact police unless the animal is obviously distressed.
- If you are unsure if an animal is in distress, call the Nova Scotia SPCA at 1-888-703-7722

Follow up by filing a report with the Nova Scotia SPCA either online or by phone and ensure that you obtain a license plate of the vehicle.

Let's keep our four-legged friends safe this summer!

### NO BURNING AFTER MIDNIGHT



Creating a safe community through protection of life, property and environment.

In the Halifax Regional Municipality, open air burning is not allowed between the hours of midnight and 2:00 p.m. The time of day may be further restricted by provincial or municipal bans, [check for bans](#) every time before you burn. They are posted 2:00 p.m. every day.



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For more information on Municipal Burning Rules & Regulations click [here](#).

## FIRE SAFETY - BARBEQUES



To stay King or Queen of the grill you must include some basic “fire safety” ingredients in your barbecue recipes. Whether fueled by charcoal or gas, barbecues are approved for outdoor use only – they emit carbon monoxide. Never barbecue in your garage, tent or other enclosed space. Read and follow all manufacturer’s instructions.

Place your barbecue on a solid surface so it cannot tip over and be sure it is a safe distance from anything that can burn - we've all seen the results of a barbecue that was used too close to vinyl siding. Remember too that since barbecues do get very hot you need to keep children and pets away as well.

Be cautious of wind strength and direction before using your barbecue and always stay with your barbecue when it's being used. For specific information related to grilling safely with a gas or charcoal barbecue this

summer visit [here](#).

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- Audit & Finance Standing Committee
- Community Design Advisory Committee
- Halifax Chain of Lakes Trails Association
- Halifax Climate Investment, Innovation and Impact Fund
- Investment Policy Advisory Committee
- Transportation Standing Committee

## HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY'S LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



Halifax is committed to strengthening its relationship

with Indigenous communities and honouring the significant contributions of Indigenous peoples. Another way the municipality has



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demonstrated this is by formalizing the official Land Acknowledgement:

*"The Halifax Regional Municipality is located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and traditional lands of the Mi'kmaq people. The municipality acknowledges the Peace and Friendship Treaties signed in this Territory and recognizes that we are all Treaty People."*

Historically, a Land Acknowledgment is a traditional practice shared amongst Indigenous groups to recognize the Indigenous land and territory they are visiting. Making a respectful Land Acknowledgement now, remains a way to express gratitude and respect to Indigenous peoples for being stewards of the land we live and work on. It is an important step in reconciliation.

In Nova Scotia, we are all Treaty People; with that comes roles and responsibilities.

**ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!**

