



MEDIA RELEASE

For Immediate Release
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The City of Pembroke will commence full street sweeping and sidewalk sweeping, Monday to Friday with a 24-hour shift, commencing April 24, 2017 at 4:00 a.m. The downtown streets are a priority and are typically swept daily between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 8:30 a.m. Sweeping is commenced from the City center to the City limits East and West, starting with priority routes and followed by all residential streets. **Residents are reminded that the City does NOT sweep sidewalks or boulevards in the residential areas.** Residents are asked to sweep the sidewalk/boulevard in front of their home as well as rake the grass boulevard. Sand can be left along the edge of paved road for pick up by city staff or street sweeper. Any grass from raked lawns should be placed in green bins.

The City of Pembroke will commence its routine flushing of the water main distribution system from April through November; Monday to Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. until noon, with the occasional evening shift in the downtown core and higher traffic areas. Water main flushing will commence from the Water Purification Plant working westerly towards city limits, and then from Riverside Drive area working easterly towards city limits. During flushing operations, you may experience a temporary reduction in your water pressure and see some discoloration or sediment in the water or slight change in the taste and odour of your water. If discoloration or sediment is noticed you are advised to run the cold water for 15 minutes to clear the water, if the water does not clear-up please contact the Operations Department at 613-735-6821 ext. 1409. If water restrictions are required, the City may contemplate implementing a shift for the flushing operation.

The City of Pembroke will commence its annual sanitary sewer main cleaning from April until mid December from Monday to Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Friday from 7:30 a.m. until noon, with the occasional evening shift in the downtown core and higher traffic areas. While crews are working on your street you may hear gurgling sounds from your toilets or drains and occasionally air pressure in the sewer can cause water to splash out through your toilets, sinks and drains. While we are working in your area, we suggest you take the following precautions: close the lids on all toilet bowls, avoid using washroom facilities when crews are within sight of your home, place towels around base of toilets to absorb any overflowing water; and plug all drains and sinks. If water does overflow a fixture, immediately contact the City representative on site to prevent further overflowing. Clean the area with a disinfectant cleanser and wash soiled towels and other cleaning rags with a small quantity of Javex added to the wash water.

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