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### Town Hall Holiday Hours

Please note that Town Hall will be closed for the holidays starting Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at 2:00pm.

Town Hall will re-open at 8:30am on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

[Garbage and household food waste collection](#) will not be affected during the closure.



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### Light Up View Royal 2024

Light Up View Royal is happening again this holiday season to brighten our spirits in neighbourhoods across our town. Town Council wants to recognize some of the best 2024 Christmas light displays and is looking for your nominations!

Has a light display at a home or business impressed you? Nominate a View Royal address [online](#) or by sending an email to [info@viewroyal.ca](mailto:info@viewroyal.ca) by Friday, January 3, 2025.

Members of Council will view each nominated address and deliver a festive treat to the top three winners.

Take a Christmas lights tour around View Royal and check out the nominations for yourself!

[Full details for Light Up View Royal 2024](#)

Turn on your lights, View Royal. We love your spirit.



## View Royal Fire Rescue Safety Tips: Christmas Tree Safety

Be safe this holiday season when decorating your home and your tree. Follow these Christmas Tree Safety Tips to keep yourself and your family safe:

# Christmas Tree Safety



As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart. A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.



### PICKING THE TREE

- Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.



### PLACING THE TREE

- Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 2" from the base of the trunk.
- Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.



### LIGHTING THE TREE

- Use lights that are listed by a qualified testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.



## After Christmas

Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home.

Check with your local community to find a recycling program.

Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

## FACTS

- ! **Almost one third** of home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
- ! Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious.
- ! A heat source too close to the tree causes more than **one in every five** of the fires.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169



### CRD Dog Licensing

Due to the delay in mail delivery of 2025 dog licence invoices, CRD dog licences cannot be purchased or renewed at View Royal Town Hall at this time.

For purchase or renewal options, please visit  
<https://www.crd.bc.ca/service/animals-pets/licencing-for-dogs>.



### Winter Driving



Use of winter tires for improved driving safety is highly recommended. Winter tires are mandatory for travelling on the Trans-Canada Highway over the Malahat. For more information on winter driving, please visit:

- [www.ShiftIntoWinter.ca](http://www.ShiftIntoWinter.ca)
- [www.DriveBC.ca](http://www.DriveBC.ca)

### Upcoming Meetings

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| January 14, 2025 | <b>Committee of the Whole Meeting</b><br>3:30pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast |
| January 21, 2025 | <b>Council Meeting</b><br>7:00pm, View Royal Town Hall or Live Webcast                |

Meetings are held in person in Council Chambers as well as virtually via [Live Webcast](#).

The meeting duration will vary according to the agenda. Agendas are normally posted on the Friday prior to the meeting on the [Agendas, Minutes & Videos](#) page of the website.

For information, visit [Council Meetings](#).