



Canadian Road Safety News Digest

A monthly compilation of national, provincial and local news stories on road safety

For the Period February 1-28, 2022

Parachute Canada Launches #ShareSafeRoads Campaign!

February 03, 2022, Parachute

In 2022, Parachute has launched a national awareness campaign based on Vision Zero principles that calls on Canadians to #ShareSafeRoads: we need to accommodate all road users and build safe road systems for them to use.

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Town of Devon adopts revised traffic safety plan

February 04, 2022, Devon Dispatch (DEVON, ALBERTA)

The Town of Devon is envisioning a future where local roads are free of deaths and serious injuries caused by car crashes.

Those statistics were revealed as part of the town's updated 2022-2024 traffic safety plan, endorsed by council on Jan. 24.

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Durham introduces weight restrictions on Lake Ridge Road

February 11, 2022, Toronto Star (DURHAM, ONTARIO)

Durham has implemented weight restrictions for vehicles along a stretch of Lake Ridge Road from Myrtle to the Scugog-Uxbridge border.

The region announced Feb. 10 that there would immediately be a maximum weight restriction of 5,000 kilograms or five tonnes per axle on Lake Ridge Road, from Myrtle Road (Regional Road 5) to approximately two kilometres south of Goodwood Road (Regional Road 21).

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Saskatoon – City completes neighbourhood traffic review

February 10, 2022, SASKTODAY.ca (SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN)

The City of Saskatoon transportation engineering staff, in collaboration with thousands of residents, recently completed 77 traffic reviews in all established neighbourhoods. This was the first Neighbourhood Traffic Review planned for this program done since 2013.

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Northern Ontario highway safety bill passes 'important stage'

February 25, 2022, BAYTODAY.ca (TORONTO, ONTARIO)

The Ontario NDP is calling it "an important stage," for the bill that, if passed, would see the major northern highways cleared of snow within eight hours, and elevated to the same winter maintenance classification as the QEW and 400 series highways.

"This is a good step for the people of Northern Ontario who need and deserve safer winter highways. The Ford government should have acted years ago to clear out highways on time to protect drivers and their families," states Bourgouin, the NDP representative for Mushkegowuk-James Bay.

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Better sorry than safe?

February 25, 2022, Winnipeg Free Press (WINNIPEG, MANITOBA)

Amber-light times and speed-limit signs that failed to meet Canadian standards deliver clear evidence that Winnipeg's photo-enforcement system was set up for profit rather than protection, critics charge.

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Local cycling advocates welcome more protection for vulnerable road users

February 28, 2022, Cambridgetoday (CAMEBRIDGE, ONTARIO)

The passing of the bill would create real consequences with mandatory penalties for drivers who cause injury or death.

Local MPPs will vote on whether the bill becomes law in the next few weeks. Various coalitions and organizations including running, walking, and cycling groups are urging Ontarians to contact their local representatives to support passing of the bill.

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