

WHITE ROCK City News

SAFELY CARING FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE

The White Rock Fire-Rescue Department wants to wish you all the best this holiday season and reminds you how to keep a cut tree fresh, fragrant and safe through the holidays.

Set Up

- The fresher and more moist a tree, the safer it is.
- Before setting up your tree cut about one to two cm (one-half to one inch) off the bottom of your tree and immediately put it in a stand that holds a minimum four litres of water.
- Keep your tree away from heat sources like radiators, heat vents, fireplaces, wood stoves or television sets.

Decorations

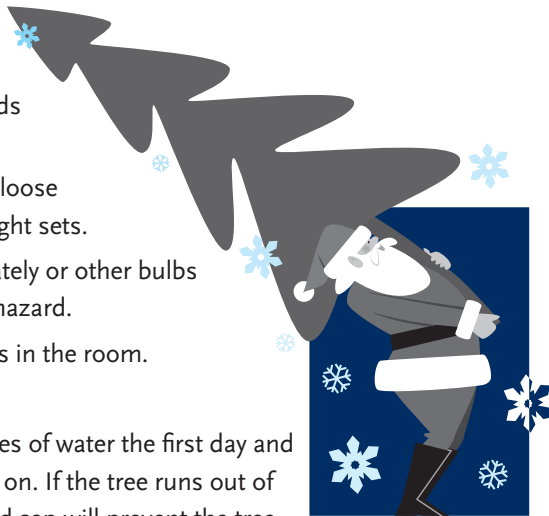
- Don't use lights with cracked cords or broken or empty sockets.
- Check tree lights for damaged or loose connections. Discard damaged light sets.
- Replace burnt out bulbs immediately or other bulbs may overheat and become a fire hazard.
- Turn tree lights off when no one is in the room.

Water Daily

- On average, trees absorb four litres of water the first day and about one litre per day from then on. If the tree runs out of water for more than 2 hours, dried sap will prevent the tree from absorbing water. Make a fresh cut off the bottom and refill the stand.

After the Holidays – recycle it!

Tree care doesn't end with the holiday season! On Monday, January 2 between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. bring your tree to the White Rock Fire Fighters annual Christmas tree chipping event at Centennial Arena parking lot. All donations go to charity.



REMINDER - KEEP THE SIDEWALKS CLEAR

All White Rock property owners are reminded that in the event of a snowfall, or inclement weather, City bylaws require them to remove all snow and ice from sidewalks adjacent to their property no later than 10:00 a.m. This includes commercial property, as well as apartments and single family dwellings. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

In the event of a snowfall, residents are also reminded to check the City's website for possible changes to the garbage, recycling and Green Can collection schedule, as crews may be redeployed to assist with snow removal.

You can learn more about the City's snow removal policies on the City's website.



CHRISTMAS AT THE BEACH

December 18, 12:00 – 4:00 p.m.

The White Rock Business Improvement Association and the merchants of West Beach are preparing for a free holiday celebration "Christmas at the Beach," which includes a horse drawn carriage, children's Christmas crafts, hot chocolate and goodies tent, Christmas Carolers and more.

Remember to pick up your "Christmas at the Rock Holiday Experience Card" and enter to win \$1,000 White Rock Dollars! Visit any of the participating merchants for a stamp on your holiday card. For more information, visit www.whiterockbia.com.

HOLIDAY SKATING

Looking for something fun to do this holiday? Lace up your skates at Centennial Arena for holiday break skates — every day from December 19 to January 3 (excluding December 25 and 26).

- Stick and Puck (5 – 12 years) from 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
- Family Skate from 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Visit www.whiterockcity.ca for a full schedule and daily themes or call the skating info line at 604.541.2171.

NEXT WEEK

December 19 7:00 p.m.
Council Meeting

All meetings held at
City Hall,
15322 Buena Vista Avenue
unless otherwise noted.