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Operating Permit Application

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Mon, Nov 3, 2025 at 9:32 AM

To: kelly.dean@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Bcc: arazmehrabani@gmail.com

Dear Kelly,

I hope this email finds you well. I am hoping to connect with you to discuss my operation permit request for my snow removal business here in Squamish. I have attached a letter explaining my request and its safety implications while we work this winter season.

I look forward to hearing from you

Araz

Begin forwarded message:

From: Sea To Sky Snow Removal <s2ssnowremoval@gmail.com>

Date: October 31, 2025 at 8:48:53 PM PDT

To: squamish_client_service@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Cc: SQUAMISH_VICTIM_SERVICES@rcmp-grc.gc.ca, lynn.champagne@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Subject: Attention: Squamish Detachment Commander / Supervisor - Operating Permit Application

Hello,

I kindly request that the attached letter be forwarded to the Detachment Commander or supervising officer in charge of the District of Squamish RCMP.

Please confirm receipt of this email at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

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Dean, Kelly (RCMP/GRC) <kelly.dean@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Wed, Nov 5, 2025 at 9:25 AM

To: Sea To Sky Snow Removal <s2ssnowremoval@gmail.com>

Cc: "Labrenz, Kimberlee (RCMP/GRC)" <kimberlee.labrenz@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>, "Banks, Sascha (RCMP/GRC)" <Sascha.Banks@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Good Morning Araz,

I have reviewed your letter you attached to this Email Thread dated October 31st requesting an Operating Permit for your 2024 Can-Am Outlander snow plow. I see that you intend on using this vehicle for plowing on Highways limited to 50 km/h and to speeds at upto 30 km/h. You intend on using this for maintenance/ snow plow where you stated you will trailer to the area in which plow operations will be happening. I also see that the vehicle will be restricted plates and you will have requisite insurance that is required for that plate. I have attached the ICBC MV1815 Information sheet that outlines the requirements for the Operation Permit. When I compare your request to the this document; you do not require these permits for the operation you are describing. On page 2 section Restricted Plate and Validation decal (which means valid insurance as no decals are issued anymore) You are permitted to operate a restricted plate vehicle to highway crossings, untravelled part of highway and travelled parts of a highway in designated area, and withing 100m of the worksite or further if used for sweeping or plowing highway.

As such no Permit is required or will be issued for work permitted by legislation.

Kind Regards,

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Hello Kelly,

Thank you for your reply.

I am still concerned about not having this permit because many of the residential roads in Squamish are significantly longer than 100m. In neighbourhoods like Garibaldi Highlands,

Garibaldi Estates, Tantalus, Brackendale, and Valleycliffe, a single street can run for several kilometers. Without a permit, I would be in violation when moving between driveways on different blocks.

My intention is to truck and trailer the ATV to each neighbourhood, not to travel between neighbourhoods on the ATV. Once I am in the neighbourhood, I need to be able to operate safely between various blocks and driveways, which very often requires traveling more than 100m.

Additionally, snow events frequently occur overnight or require response after dark. I need the permit to allow operation at night during storms, as this is when a large amount of snow removal work actually happens.

For these reasons, I am requesting the operating permit so that I can work legally and safely within residential neighbourhoods during snow events, including during nighttime conditions when required.

Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Kind regards,

Araz Mehrabani

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Thu, Nov 6, 2025 at 1:05 PM

Good Afternoon Araz,

I hear your concerns and have tried to break down the sections and align your circumstances to the request. You will be doing maintenance work with a small industrial utility (all terrain vehicle) namely your 2024 Can Am Outlander ATV plow. Your plan is to use this vehicle for snow removal road maintenance / plowing. You will primarily trailer to area where you will engage in snow removal on the defined Highway (under 50 km/h). You plan on doing this sometimes when there is no daylight. You stated that your vehicle has a light package and will be fitted with a restricted plate from ICBC as well as have the required insurance. You state that you want the permit because you are worried that some times your work activities will put you more than 100 m from your trailer. And you are concerned that the ½ hrs before and after sunset requirements say you need a permit.

I have identified below the various sections of the MVAR that satisfy your concerns.

When you are plowing and maintaining a road with your Can Am you do not need a permit as per 24.03 (3) as your plowing is maintaining the portion of the highway.

The permit for operation in the dark does not apply to your under 1600kg utility vehicle when it is working on a Highway segment with a speed under 50 km/h.

So this means that the activity you are doing with that vehicle with x plate and the insurance can be done lawfully without permit, and as such we will not issue a permit for a situation that does not require one.

Please find the pasted and annotated sections of the MVAR Division 24.

You are using utility x plated vehicle for maintenance :

24.02 (1) A person must not use or operate any of the following motor vehicles on a highway except as otherwise authorized by this Division:

(f) a utility vehicle;

You require under **24.02.01** insurance for that vehicle ,it must be available to indemnify a Third Party and be in an amount required under the Insurance (Vehicle) Act

24.03 (1)A person may use or operate a utility vehicle on a highway, subject to the conditions set out in this section, for the following purposes:

(c)maintenance;

2)If a person uses or operates a utility vehicle on a highway for a purpose set out in subsection (1), operation of the vehicle is limited to the following:

(a)crossing the highway;

(b)operation on the untravelled portion of the highway;

(c)operation on the travelled portion of the highway if the vehicle is being used or operated

(i)on a limited access island,

(ii)within a designated area, or

(iii)within 100 m of the worksite where the vehicle is being used for the utility purpose for which it was designed.

(3)A utility vehicle used or operated in accordance with subsection (2) (c) (iii) may be used or operated continuously on the travelled portion of the highway for more than 100 m only if the vehicle is being used for constructing or maintaining the portion of the highway immediately underneath the vehicle. ***This section allows for maintenance in excess of 100 m for maintenance (plowing)***

Snowmobiles, snow vehicles, air cushion vehicles and all terrain vehicles

24.05 (1)A person may use or operate a snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle on a highway, subject to the conditions set out in this section.

(2)A person who uses or operates a snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle on a highway must have an operation permit for the snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle.

(2.1) Despite subsection (2) but subject to subsection (3), an operation permit is not required if a person uses or operates a snowmobile, snow vehicle or all terrain vehicle across a highway in a straight line at right angles to the travelled portion of the highway from a point where traffic crossing the highway is controlled by,

(a) if the highway has a speed limit of 100 km/hr or less,

(i) a stop sign placed or erected by authority of the minister responsible for the administration of the Transportation Act, the council of a municipality or the governing body of a treaty first nation or a person authorized by any of them to exercise that authority, or

(ii) a traffic control signal, or

(b) if the highway has a speed limit of over 100 km/hr, a traffic control signal.

(3) Unless specifically provided for in an operation permit, a person must not use or operate a snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle on a highway between 1/2 hour after sunset and 1/2 hour before sunrise.

(4) Subsections (2) and (3) do not apply in respect of a snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle if the snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle is used or operated only in a parking lot for the purpose of unloading or loading the snowmobile, snow vehicle, air cushion vehicle or all terrain vehicle from or to another motor vehicle or trailer.

(5) This section does not apply to the use or operation of an all terrain vehicle on a highway for a purpose set out in section 24.03 (1). ***This section is the appropriate for your maintenance vehicle and says the 1/2 hour after and before requirement for permit is not applicable to circumstances set out in 24.03(1)***

Operating permits for industrial utility vehicles

24.03.01 A person who uses or operates an industrial utility vehicle

(a) to which section 3.1 of the Act applies, and

(b) that has a net weight of 1 600 kg or less

must have an operation permit for the vehicle, unless the vehicle is used or operated on a highway where the speed limit is 50 km/hr or less. ***Your ATV is under that 1600 kgs and wont be on roads that exceed 50km/h***

I do appreciate your diligence on this matter.

Kind Regards,

Kelly DEAN

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Hi Kelly,

Thank you again for your detailed explanation. I just want to double-confirm one point to ensure I'm interpreting this correctly.

I am not plowing or maintaining any public streets or municipal roadway surfaces. My work is limited to private driveways and private property. However, in order to move between clients within the same neighbourhood, I will often need to travel more than 100m on residential roads with the plow raised (not actively plowing during the transit).

Can you please confirm whether this specific driveway-to-driveway travel (with no plowing occurring during the movement) is still covered under the maintenance exemption you referenced, or whether this falls under the 100m restriction and therefore requires an Operating Permit?

Thank you for your time and clarification on this detail.

Kind regards,

Araz Mehrabani

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Mon, Dec 1, 2025 at 12:38 PM

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Mon, Dec 1, 2025 at 7:13 PM

Hi Kelly,

Thank you for your time and guidance on this matter it really means a lot. If i am ever stoped by the RCMP can I reference these emails and provide them with your information for support during the snow events?

Sincerely,

Araz Mehrabani

Sent from my iPhone

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