

# Construction/Heavy Equipment on City Streets Policy

## Purpose

The following policy shall apply to use of all construction and heavy equipment with non-rubber treads or tires on public streets within the City of New Buffalo

# History

Historically contractors were allowed to move construction/heavy equipment across public streets in the City of New Buffalo for staging and to access construction sites without using the proper equipment or materials to protect the streets being used to move the equipment. As the City has increased its investment in the community's road network it is instituting a new policy in regards to the use of construction/heavy equipment with steel tracks on city streets with

## **General Requirements**

- Nothing in this policy is intended to indicate that any person has a right to the use of streets, alleys, or sidewalks for the movement of construction/heavy equipment with steel tracks. The use of the public streets should be considered as a last resort only after the possibility of accessing a site is prohibitive by any other method.
- Failure to comply with the requirements of this policy will result in a "stop work order", loss of the permit, fines or all of the above.
- Either construction matts or polyurethane/rubber track pads will be used on all equipment with steel tracks being moved on streets
- The contractor shall repair any damage caused by the use of the right-of-way to city standards at the contractor's cost.
- Applicants must have a valid City of New Buffalo building permit as well as any other applicable permits required by other regulatory agencies with oversight on the subject project

#### Costs/Fees

Contractors will be required to pay the cost of having a representative from the City of New Buffalo Street's Department onsite to oversee the movement of heavy equipment to ensure no damage is being done to city roads. The cost of this City representative will be \$75 per hour with costs to be billed in one hour increments