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Reverse Parking Policy

1.0 Policy Statement

The City of Mount Pearl has adopted a Reverse Parking Policy for all employees, contractors, and visitors. Management and supervisory staff directly involved with these groups must bring attention to all posted signage, "For Safer Parking Please Back In".

It is recognized that within the Depot Yard environment reverse parking may not always be possible. Operators of heavy equipment must use best judgement to park equipment in a safe manner to ensure a safe work environment exists.

2.0 Background

All employees parking vehicles on City of Mount Pearl property and on any other parking lot must ensure to park the vehicle safely so you can exit the parking lot by pulling out head on. Be sure to pick a parking spot that is wide enough for your vehicle. Prior to backing in, check for oncoming and following traffic and check your blind spots. Watch for any parked vehicles preparing to move. Use a second person, if available, as a spotter and if you still have difficulty backing into a parking space, please contact your immediate supervisor.

There are many benefits to backing your vehicle into a parking spot. It is easier and safer to drive out of a parking space; you can see oncoming traffic better because you will not have to pull out as far before you can see what is coming. As well, pedestrians, children, pets and vehicles can be seen more easily when driving forward out of a parking spot in the safest possible manner.

The success of this policy will depend upon the consideration and cooperation of all parties. For everyone's safety this is a best practice you should also adopt off-duty. Once you get used to it you will find leaving the parking space into traffic flow much easier.

3.0 Approvals

Steve Kent, Chief Administrative Officer

Date