

PLAN AHEAD TO AVOID RELOCATION SETBACKS DURING THE 2010 WINTER OLYMPICS



Beginning in February 2010, world-class athletes and spectators will converge upon Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada for the 2010 Winter Olympics and Paralympic Games. All this activity promises to bring with it extensive vehicle traffic and large crowds of pedestrians. Both of which will significantly impact people who are relocating in or out of the area.

As your full-service relocation partner, Graebel wants to ensure your move is as smooth – and stress-free – as possible. That's why Graebel offers these tips to help you prepare for your relocation in or out of the Vancouver area during the Winter Games in February and March.¹

AVOID ROAD CLOSURES

- > Beginning in mid-January, roads surrounding venues, such as Canada Hockey Place and BC Place, will be closed through March 1. Roads near venues also used for the Paralympic Winter Games, such as the University of British Columbia's Thunderbird Arena, will be closed through March 21.

- > In Vancouver, Olympic Lanes – open to accredited Olympic vehicles and transit buses only – will be in effect February 4 through March 1.
- > Highway 1 and Highway 99 in Whistler will be open to the public. However, Highway 99 will have an Olympic Lane in effect from February 4 to March 1.
- > While special passes and protocols are not needed to travel through downtown Vancouver and Richmond, temporary truck routes will be in place between February 1 and March 4 in downtown Vancouver.
- > On streets such as Granville and Robson, pedestrian corridors will be in effect from February 12 through February 28. These streets will operate as usual until noon, when they will become entirely pedestrian only until midnight. Some access exceptions will apply.
- > Vehicle traffic in downtown Vancouver and Whistler and on the Lions Gate and Second Narrows bridges and the Sea to Sky Highway will decrease by at least 30-percent with the efforts put in place by the Olympic Organizing Committee.

¹ Sources: "Vanoc transportation plan details." Vancouver Sun, October 14, 2009.
"Business Tips." TransLink at www.translink.ca



CONQUER PARKING CHALLENGES

- > “No stopping anytime” parking restrictions will be in place for many of the streets in the downtown area between February 4 and March 1. These restrictions will include current designated loading zones.
- > Public parking in Whistler will be extremely limited.

ADAPT DELIVERY SCHEDULES

- > Expect and plan for some delays as travel times will increase.
- > Schedule deliveries for low-traffic times – preferably between midnight and 6:00 a.m. or between 6:00 a.m. and noon.

DISPLAY NECESSARY PERMITS

- > Residents and businesses of Nordic and Glacier Drives, Glacier Lane, Whistler Creekside, and Gateway Loop will need to display local vehicle permits from February 4 through February 28.
- > A checkpoint will be operated on the Sea to Sky Highway north of Squamish near the Alice Lake turnoff. All vehicles will need a permit to pass through the checkpoint from February 11 through February 28 between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- > Permit distribution offices in Vancouver (two locations), Whistler, Squamish, and Pemberton are now open. The Pemberton and one Vancouver office will close February 11. The remaining three offices will remain open until the end of the Winter Games.

STAY IN-THE-KNOW AT ALL TIMES

- > For up-to-date transportation information prior to and during the Winter Olympics and Paralympics, visit www.travelsmart2010.ca.
- > Listen to radio traffic reports for current road closures, traffic delays, and parking information.
- > Visit www.translink.ca for current traffic conditions.
- > For information on Whistler or the Sea to Sky Highway, visit www.whistler2010.com.
- > Additional road closure information can be found at www.ubc.ca, www.richmond.ca, and www.vancouver.ca.

Graebel, your full-service relocation partner, will help ensure your move to or from the Vancouver area during the 2010 Winter Olympics is as smooth as possible.

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