

STAY OFF OF STORMWATER PONDS IN THE WINTER

The ice is thin & unsafe

- There may be no visible signs of unsafe ice conditions.
- Snow can hide holes and cracks in the ice.
- The continuous flow of water and changing water levels can weaken and crack the ice.



How to stay safe near stormwater ponds

- Do not skate, sled or walk on stormwater ponds.
- Keep children and pets off the ice.
- Stay on designated trails when walking near the pond.
- Know where lifesaving equipment is located.
- Report any missing lifesaving equipment to 311.

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The City of Brampton has lots of community rinks available throughout Brampton.

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STORMWATER POND SAFETY

Stormwater ponds help protect you, your home, your neighbourhood, and the environment from damage caused by stormwater runoff.

What is a Stormwater Pond?

- They collect and hold stormwater runoff and snowmelt from nearby homes, roads, driveways, parking lots.
- Stormwater runoff and snowmelt going into the pond picks up things like road salts, sand, pet waste, leaves, antifreeze, motor oil, detergents and garbage.
- Pollutants picked up and carried into the pond can settle in the bottom of the pond.
- Cleaner water from the top of the pond is released into our rivers and streams.
- Stormwater ponds release the water slowly to prevent flooding and erosion.
- The addition of trees, shrubs, naturalized areas, walkways and seating platforms enhance the natural beauty of the stormwater ponds so residents and visitors can enjoy the view.

What does the City do?

The City of Brampton has over 180 stormwater ponds helping protect you and the environment. The City maintains these ponds by:

- Removing sediments
- Removing debris in and around the pond when safe
- Removing invasive vegetation
- Maintaining structures like gates and valves
- Maintaining surrounding vegetation and plants
- Replacing vegetation
- Stabilizing banks to prevent erosion
- Monitoring ponds

What can you do?

- Obey the signs
- Stay off and out of stormwater ponds
- Stay away from the shorelines
- In case of emergency call 911
- Download the what3words free mobile app for iOS and Android

