

BEST PRACTICES FOR CONSTRUCTION IN EXISTING NEIGHBOURHOODS

You've purchased your lot, selected your plans, and received your building permit. Now construction is underway! As work begins, here are a few important considerations when building in established neighbourhoods to help minimize disruption to nearby residents.



ROAD WORK

- Street traffic will increase while construction is underway. Please be considerate when parking on the street or in front of neighbouring homes.
- Any roadway closures must be approved in advance by the District of Lake Country. Always keep at least one lane open and have proper traffic control in place.
- Sidewalks should remain clear at all times.



NEIGHBOURS

- If you need to access a neighbour's property for ladders, scaffolding, or other equipment, please ask for permission first.
- Take care to protect neighbouring landscaping. If accidental damage occurs, let the property owner know and agree on a plan to repair or replace it.
- Manage water runoff and erosion to avoid impacting nearby properties.
- Do not connect to neighbouring water or electrical services without prior approval.



JOB SITE

- Keep the job site tidy. Dispose of food waste and garbage properly to avoid attracting animals. Secure lightweight materials and paper products, especially on windy days, to prevent litter in the neighbourhood.
- Washroom facilities should be kept clean and placed within the property, away from roads, sidewalks, and neighbouring homes.
- Follow safety procedures to keep the site secure, especially around open excavations or fall hazards.
- Keep tools, cords, and equipment secured to prevent theft.
- Store lumber and materials safely, cover them when possible, and fence the front of the property if needed for safety.
- Be mindful of noise and language. Keep voices respectful, as neighbours may be sensitive to loud sounds.
- Most importantly, be kind and considerate building is a team effort, and good neighbourly behaviour goes a long way.

For further details, please refer to the District of Lake Country bylaws lakecountry.bc.ca or contact the Building Department at building@lakecountry.bc.ca.