Appendix B
Jurisdictional Scan - Specialized Transit Winter Only Service

Organization	Do you have a "winter only" eligibility criteria?	Do you link “winter only” to conditional eligibility and if so what are your categories (i.e. temp greater than, temp less than, dusk/dawn, etc.)	How do you determine when your winter only service will come into effect? For example, set specific dates, monitor seasonal changes, offer flexibility in dates and times.	If possible, please share your policy for winter only service below.	Dates
Edmonton (DATS)	Yes	Yes	Specific dates	No actual written policy	Nov 01 - April 30
Saskatoon	Yes	Yes	Specific dates	No actual written policy	Nov 01 - April 30
Brandon	Currently reviewing policy as have clients who have higher ridership in winter and suspend service in the summer.				
Calgary	Yes	Yes; snow and ice, cold temperature, hot temperature	"current or predicted weather conditions" based on Environment Canada	Not available	No dates assigned
St. Catharines Paratransit	Yes	Yes: winter only (call seasonally)	Dates-Dec to April		Dec 01 - April 30
Brantford Lift	Yes	Yes: doctor indicates winter only	Specific dates		Not Provided
Regina Paratransit Service	Yes	No	Specific dates	November 1 - March 31 of each year. Dates extended if winter arrives early or stays late. Based on snow and ice on the ground not temperature.	Nov 01 - March 31
Greater Sudbury Transit	Yes	No	We follow the dates set out by Conventional Transit that also has summer routes only. Winter begins November 01 to May 01. Please note that we can accomodate weather circumstances that fall outside of the "norm".	There is no separate policy. Winter only clients are considered to be Conditional-Seasonal.	Nov 01 - May 01
City of Leduc	Yes	Yes: temporary eligibility	client needs		Not Provided
St. Albert Transit - Handibus Service	Yes	Yes: conditional - winter usage (November to April)	November to April; however if winter season starts earlier or ends later, extension of conditional usage until inclement weather/conditions change.	Based on assessment of application, if determined the client is only restricted with access to transit during winter season, than client will be approved for Handibus usage ONLY during the conditional winter usage.	Nov 01 - April 30
Peterborough Transit	Yes	Yes: give seasonal eligiiblity by date; November 15 to April 15	Ours starts November 15th. We can decide to make an exception if we have early snow fall.		Nov 15 - April 15
SMART	Yes	No	When client needs it	Client registers for winter only service and is allowed to use it when they need.	Not Provided
GoBus - St. John's	Yes	No	Set dates - Nov 1 through Mar 31 annually (may be extended through April if weather warrants)		Nov 01 - March 31
Cornwall Transit	Yes	Yes: winter months	Specific dates		Not Provided
Halifax Transit Access A Bus Division	Yes	No	Specific dates	There are no restrictions other than: November 1 - May 15	Nov 01 - May 15

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Durham Region Transit	Yes	Yes: The genric seasonal condition of eligibility during the winter runs between Nov 1 to April 30	Specific dates	Conditional Eligibility contains a seasonal condition. The generic seasonal condition of eligibility during the winter runs between November 1st and April 30th, or during the summer between May 1st to October 31st. The eligibility decision may also be more specific to a client's abilities (i.e. the warmest or coldest months only- December, January, February, June, July, August).	Nov 01 - April 30
Oakville Transit	Yes	Yes: conditional - winter only	November 1 - March 31	Does not have a formal policy.	Nov 01 - March 31
St. Albert Transit	Yes	Yes:	Generally we monitor seasonal conditions, winter eligible would be between November and March, with exceptions if necessary.		Not Provided
Guelph Transit	Yes	Yes: temporary winter	Nov 30 - April 15	Mobility Services is also available during winter months (November 30 to to April 15) if an individual is: Blind or has partial vision; or is unable to walk 175 metres as a result of weather conditions (ice, extreme cold, snow).	Nov 30 - April 15
Region of Waterloo (Grand River Transit)	Yes	Yes: winter, temporary and permanent	Winter period is preset. If a customer's needs fall outside of the window it is likely they will be given temp services.	Winter service has been categorized as the months of December 1 - March 31 repeating each year for three years.	Dec 01 - March 31
Thunder Bay Transit	No	Yes	We have set November 1 to April 30 as our winter time frame. We also are very flexible with these parameters dependent on the winter weather starting early or ending later.	Since we link 'winter only' to conditional eligibility, policy essential borrows AODA guideline standards for determining eligibility.	Nov 01 - April 30
Coast Mountain Bus Company	No	No	Not Applicable	Does not have any conditional eligibility in Metro Vancouver and hence no 'winter only ' either.	Not Applicable
Niagara Falls Transit Services	No	No			Not Applicable
Prince Albert and District Community Service Centre	No	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
City of Airdrie	No	No	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
North Bay Transit	No	No		Usually, if the client requires winter transportation on our specialized system, they will be granted approval for the entire year.	Not Applicable
Handi-Transit Windsor	No	No	Not Applicable		Not Applicable