



## ***LITTER CLEAN-UP CONDITIONS & SUGGESTIONS***

These Conditions & Suggestions apply to both Adopt-A-Highway and non Adopt-A-Highway groups.

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### **Conditions**

All participants must be 12 years of age or older. Every six participants aged 12-17 require one adult supervisor (18 years or older).

A trained individual with a First Aid kit # 2 is to be at the litter clean up site. No litter clean up is to be performed until every member of the group is wearing a safety vest which is provided by or approved by Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

The litter clean up operation is to proceed along one side of the adopted highway section at a time and within the limits of this section. All vehicles are to park on side roads or in parking areas behind the ditch line.

All volunteers must confine their activities to the ditch or behind the ditch line except to deposit full litter bags on the shoulder of the road for later pick-up.

The group may be responsible for picking up litter bags that day and transporting them to an approved landfill or pre-arranged site. Please call the appropriate TIR base to check if staff are available to pick up the litter bags.

During the clean up, a responsible person must see that all materials, substances, containers and large animal carcasses not suitable for removal by the members of the group are marked with a coloured ribbon on a stake or near the shoulder of the road.

All safety vests, unused litter bags and flagging materials must be returned to the TIR base on the next working day after the litter clean up.

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### **Suggestions**

Young volunteers should receive close supervision. Keep in mind that children do not see the world from a driver's perspective.

In addition to wearing safety vests, volunteers are encouraged to wear CSA approved safety boots; CSA approved hard hats; gloves; long pants and long-sleeved shirts.

All objects should receive appropriate care when handled. Proper consideration should be given to the types of material that various ages of volunteers should pick up and place in the litter bags. For example, a child should not touch a car battery while a more mature member of the group, who is familiar with the danger of acid spills, might be able to handle it.

If in doubt – flag it! Any suspicious or unfamiliar objects should be flagged and left alone. This is particularly true for medical waste of any kind.

Any recyclable materials such as cans and bottles can be collected and taken away by the group as a fund-raiser.

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**The Purpose of these Conditions & Suggestions is to Ensure the Safety of Volunteers and Motorists Alike.**