

Adopt-A-Street Safety Guidelines

All participants shall:

- Wear the safety gear provided to them by the Town of Huntersville
- Park all vehicles clear of the roadway and on the same side of the road where volunteers are working
- Be at least 12 years of age
- Provide adequate supervision by one or more adults 21 years of age or older for those participants under the age of 17
- Pick up litter only during daylight hours
- Conduct a safety meeting for all participants prior to each cleanup to review Safety Guidelines
- Contact the Town Coordinator prior to and upon completion of clean up
- Notify the Town Coordinator if you encounter hazardous objects or holes, guy wires and other hidden obstacles in the ground

All participants shall NOT:

- Use or possess illegal drugs or alcohol during a cleanup
- Pick up trash on the road surface, medians, bridges, overpasses or in tunnels
- Pick up what appears to be hazardous material
- Attempt to squeeze bags to make room for more trash, as injuries from broken or jagged objects can result
- Remove dead animals

For Your Safety:

- Wear light-colored clothing that covers arms and legs
- Wear leather shoes or boots in addition to the provided safety gear
- Wear clothing that will not divert attention of motorists during cleanup activities
- Wear clothing that will not impair vision or movement during cleanup activities
- Work in small groups
- Stay well clear of any construction
- Stop work in inclement weather
- During warm weather months, drink plenty of fluids, take breaks, avoid overexertion
- During cold weather months, dress warmly with layered clothing
- Be alert for snakes, stinking insects, and poisonous plants
- Avoid contact with noxious weeds and areas where herbicides were applied
- Carpool to the site to reduce the number of vehicles
- Use proper lifting and bending techniques

In Case Of Emergency:

- Have an adequate first-aid kit immediately available
- Select an emergency room/hospital and know the route from the work area to the designated place of treatment facility
- Have transportation immediately available

***AFTER CLEANUP, GROUP ALL TRASH BAGS TOGETHER AND, WHERE PRACTICAL, PLACE THEM AT LEAST 8 FEET FROM THE SIDE OF THE ROAD TO MAKE COLLECTION EASIER AND SAFER FOR OUR STAFF.**