

## **Use of Traffic Bridge for Special Events – Guidelines**

Saskatoon is a great place to live, work, learn and play. Our corporation, the City of Saskatoon, exists to provide excellence in local governance and public service delivery. To achieve this, the use of the traffic bridge will follow the guidelines and priorities set out in this document.

Objective: to allow use of the traffic bridge to program outdoor special events by ensuring:

1. Safety
  - Of the users ;and
  - Of the whole community.
2. The impact of traffic restrictions is minimized.
3. Emergency vehicle access is maintained at all times.
4. There is a greater benefit to the community at large.

Special Events requesting to utilize the traffic bridge must adhere to the following:

1. Must be an event, with an estimated attendance of over 3000 people, which benefits the overall community/general public.
  - Requests for events of less than 3000 people may be considered but will be subject to review and approval of the Special Event Interdepartmental Committee on a case-by-case basis.
2. Alcohol and/or cannabis use is not permitted on the bridge.
3. The event activities, including setup/take-down, cannot exceed 12:00 a.m.
4. Event organizers must complete and submit an Emergency Response Plan to the Special Event Interdepartmental Committee.
5. A waste mitigation plan must be submitted to ensure garbage does not end up in the river.
6. Programming must allow for emergency vehicles to pass through, by way of keeping one lane open, and free of any programming. Event organizers must arrange for volunteers or Special Duty Officers to remain at the barricades for the duration of the event should emergency vehicles require access.
7. Pedestrian walkways must remain open for pedestrians/cyclists

Event requests will be considered in context with other events/activities happening in the area at the same time to mitigate any conflicts.