

okotoks Pathways

Sample Routes

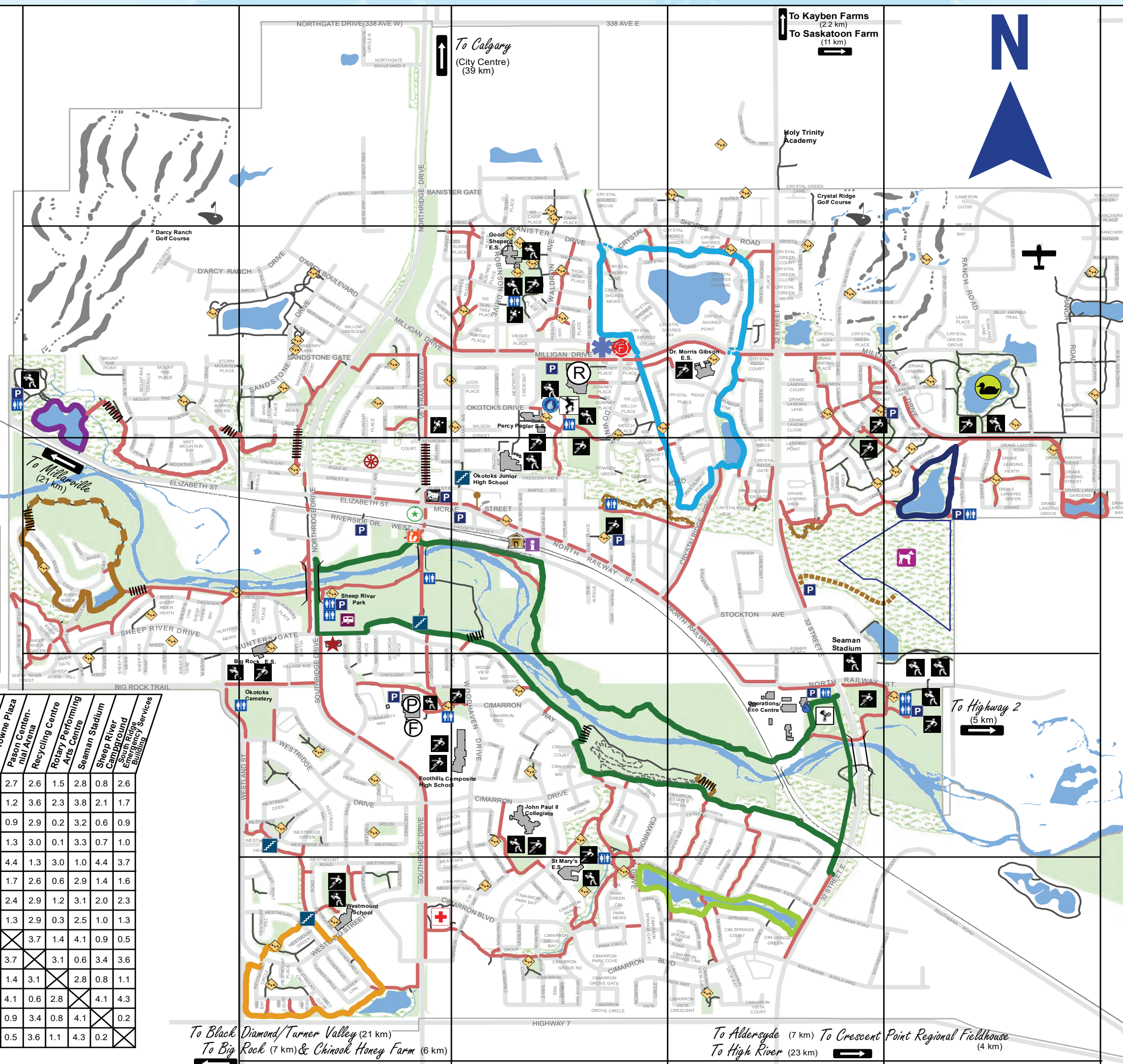
- Sheep River Cove (1.9 km)
- Cimarron Storm Pond (1.8 km)
- Crystalridge (3.7 km)
- Drake Landing (1.0 km)
- Mountainview Storm Pond (0.8 km)
- Sheep River Valley (7.7 km)
- Westmount (1.9 km)
- Pathway Connections

*Pathways and Sidewalks may close for seasonal conditions and/or construction. Please watch for and obey any signs.

Uncleared Pathways

- Secondary Pathway System
- Trails (Gravel/Dirt)
- Single Track Trails

Approximate Distances Between Areas In Kilometers	Fire Station (North)	Health & Wellness Centre	Library	Municipal Centre	Off Leash Park	Okotoks Art Gallery	Okotoks Recreation Centre	Okotoks Old Towne Plaza	Pason Centennial Arena	Recycling Centre	Rotary Performing Arts Centre	Seaman Stadium	Sheep River Campground	South Ridge Emergency Services Building
Fire Station (North)		3.9	1.7	1.6	2.6	1.5	0.4	1.5	2.7	2.6	1.5	2.8	0.8	2.6
Health & Wellness Centre	3.9		2.1	2.2	4.4	2.8	3.6	2.5	1.2	3.6	2.3	3.8	2.1	1.7
Library	1.7	2.1		0.1	2.8	0.8	1.4	0.4	0.9	2.9	0.2	3.2	0.6	0.9
Municipal Centre	1.6	2.2	0.1		2.9	0.9	1.3	0.3	1.3	3.0	0.1	3.3	0.7	1.0
Off Leash Park	2.6	4.4	2.8	2.9		2.0	2.9	3.0	4.4	1.3	3.0	1.0	4.4	3.7
Okotoks Art Gallery	1.5	2.8	0.8	0.9	2.0		1.5	0.3	1.7	2.6	0.6	2.9	1.4	1.6
Okotoks Recreation Centre	0.4	3.6	1.4	1.3	2.9	1.5		1.3	2.4	2.9	1.2	3.1	2.0	2.3
Okotoks Old Towne Plaza	1.5	2.5	0.4	0.3	3.0	0.3	1.3		1.3	2.9	0.3	2.5	1.0	1.3
Pason Centennial Arena	2.7	1.2	0.9	1.3	4.4	1.7	2.4	1.3		3.7	1.4	4.1	0.9	0.5
Recycling Centre	2.6	3.6	2.9	3.0	1.3	2.6	2.9	2.9	3.7		3.1	0.6	3.4	3.6
Rotary Performing Arts Centre	1.5	2.3	0.2	0.1	3.0	0.6	1.2	0.3	1.4	3.1		2.8	0.8	1.1
Seaman Stadium	2.8	3.8	3.2	3.3	1.0	2.9	3.1	2.5	4.1	0.6	2.8		4.1	4.3
Sheep River Campground	0.8	2.1	0.6	0.7	4.4	1.4	2.0	1.0	0.9	3.4	0.8	4.1		0.2
South Ridge Emergency Services Building	2.6	1.7	0.9	1.0	3.7	1.6	2.3	1.3	0.5	3.6	1.1	4.3	0.2	



Legend

- Fire Station
- Ambulance
- Health and Wellness Centre (Urgent Care)
- Public Washrooms
- Off Leash Park (Fence Line-1.75 km)
- Public Parking
- Okotoks Art Gallery and Information
- Okotoks Museum & Archives
- Okotoks Municipal Centre
- Okotoks Olde Towne Plaza
- Okotoks Public Library
- Aerodrome
- Steep Hill (both cleared and unclear pathways)
- Foothills Centennial Centre
- South Ridge Emergency Services
- Okotoks Recreation Centre
- Pason Centennial Centre
- Campground
- Playgrounds
- Rotary Performing Arts Centre
- Ball Diamonds
- Sport Fields
- Tennis
- BMX Track
- Skate Park
- Spray Park
- Stairs
- Bird Watching
- Old Macleod Trail
- Epcor Environmental Education Centre
- Natural Areas
- Open Space/River Valley



0 0.5 1 Km

*Grid Squares are 1 sq km



photo by Lisa Forseth

OKOTOKS PATHWAYS

The Town has over 85 kms of pathways and sidewalks connecting virtually every corner of Okotoks, whether jogging, taking the kids to the baseball game or walking to get groceries. Get some fresh air and exercise, meet neighbours, walk to the next destination and explore a corner of the pathway system that's never been seen!



Wear the Gear!

Whether you're cycling, in-line skating, or skateboarding, it's important to Wear the Gear! A properly fitted and correctly worn bike helmet can cut the risk of serious head injury by up to 85%.

- *Always wear an approved helmet that is properly fitted
- *Helmets are mandatory for cyclists under 18 years
- *Wear bright, visible clothing, lights & reflectors

Share the Path

No matter which activity enjoyed, it is important to follow some basic rules and guidelines to ensure that the pathways and bikeways remain a safe and enjoyable place for everyone.

- Respect the rights of others
- On pathways, stay to the right - except when passing
- Signal with a bell, whistle, horn or voice when passing
- Use caution on hills, in curves and on or under bridges
- Yield to pedestrians and slower moving traffic (i.e. cyclists and in-line skaters yield to walkers and joggers)
- If riding after dark or in bad weather, be sure to have a light & reflectors
- The maximum speed limit on pathways is 20 km/hr
- Please stay on designated pathways/trails

Pathway & Sidewalk Snow Clearing

Where sidewalks border businesses and residences, snow clearing is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.

Where sidewalks border parks, the Town provides the snow removal. View the pathway snow clearing routes at: okotoks.ca/pathwaysystems. Please do your part to keep sidewalks clear!

Note that pathways may be closed due to seasonal conditions or construction, watch for and obey all signage.

Ride Right

- STOP before crossing a roadway, driveway, sidewalk, alley or parking lot
- Walk bike across the street in a designated crossing area; be sure to walk bikes across the Laurie Boyd pedestrian bridge
- Enter trail entrances and roadways with caution
- Obey all traffic signs and signals
- Cycle defensively; be aware of surroundings
- Never wear earphones; it's important to be aware of the surroundings & able to listen for animals, trains and traffic

Always use hand signals to show what your intentions are:

TURN LEFT



STOP



TURN RIGHT



Terrain

Please refer to the map symbols, which identify steep slopes or pathways that contain stairs.



photo by Nancy Treich-Wessely



Did You Know?

- In 0.75 km you walk about 1,000 steps
- It is recommended that we walk 10,000 steps every day
- Walking 10,000 steps covers about 8 km and burns about 400 to 500 calories
- On average, it takes 13 minutes to walk 1 km and 4 minutes to cycle 1 km

Local Wildlife

The Sheep River valley is a wildlife corridor where there may be a variety of animals, including deer, coyotes, skunks, muskrats, and badgers. Please use caution when travelling through the river valley, and practice the following safety tips:

- DO NOT feed or approach any wild animal
- DO NOT allow dogs off leash except at the Off Leash Park
- DO NOT distribute bird feed in parks or natural areas

To report a vicious animal, call **Fish & Wildlife at 403-652-8330** or **RCMP at 403-938-4202**. If you feel threatened, call 9-1-1.



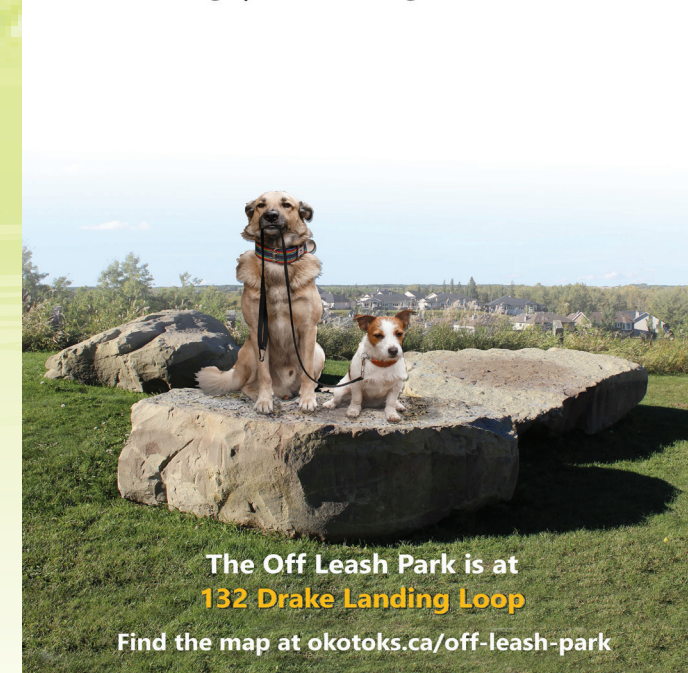
Get Outside!

There are many benefits to getting outside and back to nature, including:

- More opportunities for physical activity
- Healing
- Reduced stress
- Lasting love of nature
- Emotional & physical well-being
- Positive mindset
- Calmness
- Improved concentration & cognition
- Stronger immune system
- Disease prevention



Hey you're NOT at the Off Leash Park



The Off Leash Park is at 132 Drake Landing Loop

Find the map at okotoks.ca/off-leash-park

Dogs in our Parks



Dogs are permitted off leash at the Off Leash Park. They are permitted on leash in the river valley, other natural areas, on the pathways and in most parks.

Are there places my dog can't go?

School grounds and any other locations that have "No Dogs" signage.

Where is the Off Leash Park?

The 38 acre park is located south of Drake Landing. Open from sunrise to sunset, it provides a fenced-in area for well-behaved canines to exercise and play without endangering themselves or disturbing wildlife. Rules for the area are posted at the park and online at: www.okotoks.ca/off-leash-park

Access the off leash park from two locations:

1. NE of the intersection of 32 St E & Stockton Ave
2. Parking lot at the SW corner of Drake Landing Loop



Scoop It—it's the law

Clean up after your pet. Bag dispensers and waste receptacles are located throughout our parks for dog walkers.



Keep our parks & river valley beautiful & safe

Okotoks Pathways
Your guide to
Okotoks Pathways
updated July 2020

I ♥ Okotoks parks! Looking for Info?

Parks: 403-938-8958
Recreation: 403-938-8954
www.okotoks.ca/parksandrec
Visitor Information: 403-938-3204
www.okotoks.ca/visitorinfo

Report a Problem

Emergencies in progress: Call 911

Find contact numbers and location information on park information signs, located in parks and throughout the pathway system.

Bylaw Infraction

403-938-8913
(e.g. off-leash dogs, graffiti, open alcohol, snow clearing)