

VILLAGE OF DRAKE BYLAW 2022-4

Pest Control Bylaw

The Council of the Village of Drake in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

1. Title

This bylaw shall be known as the "Pest Control Bylaw."

2. Definitions

In this bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

- a) "Village" means the Village of Drake, in the Province of Saskatchewan.
- b) "Chief Administrative Officer" means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Village of Drake, or any person acting or authorized to act on their behalf.
- c) "Council" means the Council of the Village of Drake.
- d) "Cross-bow" means a device with a bow and a bowstring mounted on a stock that is designed to propel an arrow, a bolt, a quarrel or any similar projectile on a trajectory guided by a barrel or groove and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death to a person.
- e) "Firearm" means a non-restricted firearm as defined in *The Criminal Code of Canada*.
- f) "Officer" means a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or Bylaw Enforcement Officer appointed pursuant to Section 373(1) of *The Municipalities Act*.
- g) "Owner" means the owner of property or the person in charge or control of property.
- h) "Person" means any individual, firm, company or partnership.
- i) "Pest Control Officer" means any person appointed, by Council, to hunt and dispose of any pest animals.
- j) "Sling Shot" means a y-shaped stick with an elastic strip between the prongs for shooting stones and other small missiles.
- k) For the purposes of the definition of "wildlife" as in section 2 of the Wildlife Regulations, "vertebrate animal" includes any hybrid animal that has an ancestor, within and including four generations, that was an individual of a species that is wild by nature.

3. Regulations

3.1 No person shall discharge any firearm, sling shot or cross-bow within the Village, except as provided for in this Bylaw.

3.2 No person shall discharge any firearm in such a manner so that the projectile crosses the limits of the Village.

3.3 This Bylaw does not apply to peace officers as defined by *The Criminal Code of Canada*.

4. Pest Control

4.1 The Council may appoint a Pest Control Officer to hunt and dispose of animals pursuant to this Bylaw.

- a. The appointment shall commence upon receipt of the requirements in subsection 4.2 of this Bylaw and resolution of council.

4.2 Pest Control Officer shall provide the Village with:

- a. A criminal record check from the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;
- b. A copy of their current Firearms License (Possession Acquisition); and
- c. A Nuisance Wildlife Control Permit from Saskatchewan Environment.

4.3 Pursuant to clause 6(2) of The Wildlife Regulations, 1981, a Pest Control Officer may capture or kill any wildlife that is wounded, diseased, a danger to the public or a public nuisance.

4.4 Pursuant to clause 13(3) of The Wildlife Regulations, 1981, a Pest Control Officer may hunt the following animals within five hundred (500) meters of any building, stockade, or corral within the Village without the consent of the owner:

- rodentia (mice and rats) including richardson's ground squirrel;
- mephitidae (skunks);
- procyonidae (raccoons);
- canis latrans (coyotes);
- basal mustelids (badgers);
- icteridae (blackbirds,), other than protected songbirds;
- passeridae (house sparrows);
- sturnidae (starlings);
- columbidae (pigeons and doves);
- corvidae (crows, magpies and jays), other than protected species;
- cervidae (deer) that are diseased, with approval from a Ministry representative.

5. Offences and Penalties

5.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction:

- a. for the first offence, to a fine of not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).
- b. for the second offence and any subsequent offence, to a fine of not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00).

5.2 Where damage is done to property by an unlawful act under this Bylaw, the presiding Judge shall adjudge payment of all damages occasioned by the unlawful act and the same shall be applied for the repair and reconstruction of the property damaged or destroyed.

Effective Date

This Bylaw shall come into force on the date of final approval by the Minister of Environment.



Approved by Deputy Minister of Environment dated _____
[Signature]

Mayor / Reeve
[Signature]

Administrator

Read a third time and adopted this 21 day of Sept/2022
[Signature]

Administrator

Certified to be a true copy of Bylaw # 2022-4 this 21 day of Sept, 2022
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Administrator