
VILLAGE OF BJORKDALE

BYLAW NO 2-10


A BYLAW TO LICENSE AND PROHIBIT ANIMALS RUNNING AT LARGE.

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

1. This bylaw may be referenced as the "Animal Control Bylaw"
2. For the purpose of this bylaw, the expressions:
 - (a) define the animals to which the bylaw is to apply; example: dogs shall mean members of the canis genus species, etc.;
 - (b) "municipality" shall mean the Village of Bjorkdale;
 - (c) alternative description: "running at large" shall mean off the premises and boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor or harbinger or beyond the boundaries of any lands where the dog may be with the permission of the owner or occupier of the lands and is not under control by being tied or secured to a leash or chain or other similar restraining device not exceeding two meters in length.
 - (d) "**dangerous dog**" shall mean:
 - i. any dog which without provocation, in a vicious or menacing manner, chased or approached a person or domestic animal in an apparent attitude of attack;
 - ii. any dog having an inclination, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation to cause injury, or to otherwise threaten the safety of persons or domestic animals;
 - iii. any dog without provocation has bitten, inflicted injury, assaulted or otherwise attacked a person or domestic animal;
 - iv. any dog which is owned primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting or is trained for dog fighting;but shall not include:
 - v. any dog acting in the performance of police work; or
 - vi. any dog working as a guard dog on commercial property:
 1. securely enclosed on the property by a fence or other barrier sufficient to prevent the escape of the dog and the entry of children of tender years, and
 2. defending that property against a person who was committing an offence.
 - (e) "owner" includes:
 - i. a person who keeps, possesses or harbors a dog (including stray animals);
 - ii. the person responsible for the custody of a minor where the minor is the owner of a dog;but does not include:
 - iii. a veterinarian registered pursuant to The Veterinarian Act, 1987 who is keeping or harboring a dog for the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of a disease of or an injury to the dog;
 - iv. a municipality, the Saskatchewan Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, a local society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals or a Humane Society operating pursuant to The Animal Protection Act, with respect to an animal shelter or impoundment facility operated by any of them;
 - v. "provocation" means an act done intentionally for the purpose of provoking a dog. A dog is presumed not to have been provoked, in the absence of evidence to the contrary.
3. No dog shall run at large in the municipality.
4. No dog shall be permitted to create a noise or disturbance to the annoyance or discomfort of other persons residing in the neighborhood or to the public at large.
5. No dog shall be permitted to defecate on any public or private property other than the property of its owner; the owner of the dog shall cause such defecation to be removed immediately and dispose of in a sanitary fashion.
 - (a) If you are served a notice of violation for any of the above, the fine payable is:

- (i) fitted with a collar or a harness for the body that is properly placed and fitted on the dog;
 - (ii) the movement of the dog shall be controlled by a person by means of a leash attached to the collar or harness of the dog;
 - (iii) the leash shall not exceed 1.2 meters in length and shall be constructed of a material having a tensile strength of at least 140 kilograms;
 - (iv) the muzzle shall be properly fitted on the dog to prevent it from biting any animal or persons.
- (c) within 10 days of a dog being declared dangerous, provide proof to the administrator of the Village of Bjorkdale that liability insurance of not less than \$300,000 has been obtained for any bodily injury to or death of any person or domestic animal, or for any damage to property caused by the dog
- (d) display a sign in the prescribed form and manner at each entrance to the premises where the dog is kept and on the enclosure in which the dog is confined. The sign shall be clearly visible and capable of being read from any adjacent public road and shall read **"WARNING DANGEROUS DOG ON PREMISES"**.
9. Residents of Bjorkdale are advised to contact the police if any of the above is violated.
10. Any person found guilty of an infraction of this bylaw shall be liable on summary conviction in accordance to the "General Penalty Bylaw".




MAYOR


ADMINISTRATOR

Certified a true copy of the bylaw
adopted by Resolution of the
Council on the 2nd of March, 2010.