



TOWN OF BLAINE LAKE, PO Box 10, Blaine Lake, SK, S0J0J0

GENERAL PUBLIC NOTICE REGARDING THE ANIMAL CONTROL BYLAW

The office has received multiple concerns regarding dog(s) at large, dangerous dog(s), unregistered dog(s), nuisance dog(s) and limits / litters of dog(s), and it is now considered an unsafe situation. As per Bylaw no. 12-2022, fines and penalties will be levied accordingly effective immediately.

Please note the following highlighted sections of the Animal Control Bylaw no. 12-2022:

Definitions:

“Dangerous Dogs” means i) any dog that, without provocation, in a vicious or menacing manner, chases or approached a person or domestic animal in an apparent attitude of attack; ii) any dog with a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation, to cause injury or to otherwise threaten the safety of persons or domestic animals; iii) any dog that, 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 fighting.

“Running at large”: When the dog or cat is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor, harbored or keeper of the said dog or cat, or beyond the boundaries of any lands where it may be with the permission of the owner or occupant of the said land and is not under control by being: i) on a leash or harness and in direct and continuous charge of a person competent to control it; or ii) securely confined with an enclosure; or iii) securely fastened so that it cannot roam at will

“Registering / Unregistered dogs / cats”: Every owner of a dog or cat within the Town shall cause each such dog/cat to be registered with the Town office. A \$50.00 penalty will be added to any unpaid dog/cat licensed as of March 1st of the year in which they are due.

“Nuisance dogs”: The owner, possessor, or harbinger of a dog shall not allow the animal to create a nuisance by barking, howling, attempting to bit or biting anyone or any domestic animal, chasing vehicles or bicycles; the owner, possessor or harbourer of a cat shall not allow the animal to create a nuisance by howling, hissing or otherwise making disruptive noises or by urinating, defecating or spraying on or otherwise damaging or interfering with any property other than the property of the owner, possessor, or harbourer; where a dog or cat is found to be creating a nuisance, the owner or occupant of that property on which the dog or cat is creating a nuisance may make a written complaint to the bylaw enforcement officer.

“Limits - dogs and cats”: No person(s) within the Town shall harbor or keep more than two (2) dogs on any one property. No person(s) within the Town shall harbor or keep more than two (2) cats on any one property.

“Litter - dogs and cats”: If a dog or cat defecates on any public or private property other than the property of the owner, possessor or harbinger of the said dog or cat, the owner, possessor, or harbinger of the dog or cat shall cause defecation to be removed immediately and disposed of in a sanitary fashion. Defecations deposited in the private property of the owner, possessor or harbourer of a dog or cat shall be removed and disposed of in a sanitary manner on a daily basis.

Refer to the following Sections for the schedule of charges that WILL be levied accordingly:

Schedule "C" summary:

<u>Offense</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>Subsequent</u>
Failure to register	\$20.00	\$40.00
Running at large	\$25.00	\$50.00
Exceeding limits	\$25.00	\$50.00
Failure to sterilize a cat	\$25.00	\$50.00
Failure to remove defecation	\$25.00	\$50.00
Nuisance dogs	\$25.00	\$50.00
Nuisance cats	\$25.00	\$50.00
Falsifying breed of dog	\$50.00	\$100.00

Registering Complaints

Please note that the office receives a large amount of verbal complaints. We are unable to bring verbal complaints forward to Council. All complaints must be filled out properly on the Form "D" attached to the Animal Control Bylaw 12/2022 and sent to the office. You can call the office for an email copy, find it on our website, or come into the office to pick one up. Complaints are kept anonymous.

Thank you for your urgent attention in this matter and we hope that this serves as a reminder to keep any animals in Town under control. The complete Bylaw can be found on our website or in the Town office.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

On behalf of Council,

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