

**A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING, PROHIBITING, REGULATING AND  
CONTROL OF ANIMALS IN THE TOWN OF REDVERS**

The Council of the Town of Redvers in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

**TITLE AND PURPOSE:**

1. a) This bylaw may be cited as The Animal Control Bylaw.  
b) The purpose of this bylaw is to promote the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property in the Town of Redvers, and to ensure the humane treatment and control of animals.

**DEFINITIONS:**

2. In this bylaw, unless the context otherwise describes, the term:
  - a) "Animal" shall mean Cat or Dog, either male or female, over three months old;
  - b) "Animal Control Officer" means that person(s) appointed by the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer for the purposes of this Bylaw;
  - c) "Assist Dogs" shall mean a dog used to assist persons with disabilities or dogs used by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;
  - d) "C.A.O." shall mean Chief Administrative Officer of the municipality;
  - e) "Council" shall mean the Council of the municipality;
  - f) "Dogs" or "Cats" includes all species of the animals commonly known as dog family canidae or cats, family felis domestica male or female, and of every breed or classification or mixture of breeds;
  - g) "Municipality" shall mean the Town of Redvers;
  - h) "Judge" means a Provincial Court Judge;
  - i) "Medical Health Officer" means the Medical Health Officer for Sun Country Health Region;
  - j) "Owner" includes:
    - i) A person, persons, partnership, association or corporation who keeps, possesses, harbours, or has care of or control of a dog or cat;
    - ii) The person responsible for the custody of a minor where the minor is the owner of a dog or cat;However, does not include:
    - iii) A veterinarian registered pursuant to The Veterinarians Act, 1987 who is keeping or harbouring a dog or cat for the preservation of the animal or diagnosis or treatment of a disease or an injury to the cat or dog;
    - iv) The Town of Redvers or the Saskatchewan Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SSPCA) Constitution and Bylaws in respect of an animal shelter or impoundment facility operated by it.
  - k) "Pound" means such premises and facilities as may be designated by the Town, from time to time to harbour animals found in contravention of this bylaw.
  - l) "Pound Keeper" means a person, persons, corporation, society, or associations designated by the Town from time to time to maintain and administer the pound.
  - m) "Running at Large" shall mean:
    - i) being on public property unaccompanied by any person; or
    - ii) being on public property accompanied but not under the "complete" control of a person by means of a leash suitable to the size and strength of the animal; or
    - iii) being on private property unaccompanied or accompanied by any person but not under the complete control of a person by means of a leash suitable to the size and strength of the animal where the property owner has not given permission to the owner of the animal.

**PART I – LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS**

3. Every person in the municipality, who owns, possesses or harbours a cat or dog, with the exception of assist dogs, shall register the animal and obtain a license from the town office.
4. The license shall be a one-time fee for the lifetime of the cat or dog.
5. The license fee is not transferable and non-refundable.
6. The license fee shall be Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for each animal.
7. Upon payment of the license fee, the Town of Redvers shall register the license number and owner in the Town of Redvers Pet Register and provide the owner with a tag bearing the license number. The register should include name and phone number of the owner and a description of each dog or cat owned by him including its breed, color, sex, name and the tag number of this tag issued for each dog or cat.

8. Upon receiving the tag, the owner shall ensure that a collar and the tag issued by the C.A.O. are worn by the dog or cat when the animal is outside of the owner's residence.
9. No unauthorized person shall remove a collar or tag from an animal.
10. A person residing in the municipality, who owns, possesses or harbours a dog or cat mentioned in this bylaw, and neglects or refuses to take out a license therefore shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw and shall be fined as outlined in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw.
11. The provisions of Part I to VI shall not apply to dogs and cats kept, in the ordinary course of business by proprietors of the following premises namely:
  - a) A veterinary hospital, clinic, boarding kennel or grooming parlor;
  - b) A public pound OR Town designated pound;
  - c) A shop whose business includes the sale of pets and is licensed as such;
  - d) A shelter operated by an association of society incorporated for the purpose of the protection and humane treatment of animals.

## **PART II – IMPOUNDING OF DOGS AND CATS**

12. No owner shall permit any dog or cat to be running at large in the Town of Redvers.
13. A person, who owns, possesses or harbours a dog or cat found running at large shall be deemed guilty of an infraction of this bylaw and will be fined as outlined in Schedule "B" of this Bylaw.
14. Any person, on authorization of the Chief Administrative Officer (or designated representative) of the Town of Redvers, may take any animal found running at large contrary to the provisions of this bylaw to the pound, where it shall stay, for a period not to exceed ten (10) working days. The owner, harbourer, or possessor may redeem the cat or dog by paying, at the Town Office, the amounts prescribed in Schedule "A" of this bylaw.
15. When any dog or cat is captured and impounded, the municipality shall post a notice which includes a description of the said dog or cat, a picture and the date it was impounded and shall post at the Town Office, through social media and email.
16. The Chief Administrative Officer may sell or offer for adoption to the Humane Society or other interested person any dog or cat if not redeemed within the time specified in this bylaw.

## **PART III – DUTIES OF DOG AND CAT OWNERS**

17. With the exception of an "assist dog" no owner or keeper of a cat or dog shall permit their dog(s) or cat(s) on any school ground, playground or posted area except when the owner or keeper is attending a recognized training or obedience school for training of the said animal.
18. No owner or keeper shall permit his or her animal to chase any pedestrian, vehicle or any animal on a public thoroughfare.
19. No owner or keeper shall use a choke chain on a cat or dog except when walking the cat or dog on a leash.
20. A female dog or cat in heat shall be confined and housed in the residence of the owner or person having control of the dog or cat or taken to a licensed kennel during the whole period that the dog or cat is in heat; except that a female dog or cat may be allowed outside the said residence for the sole purpose of permitting the dog or cat to defecate and urinate on the premises of the owner.
21.
  - a) If a dog or cat defecates on any public or private property other than the property of its owner, the owner or keeper shall remove the feces immediately.
  - b) Where, under subsection a) of this section, the owner of a dog or cat fails to remove such feces immediately, the owner shall be in violation of this bylaw.
  - c) Subsection 23 a) and b) shall not apply to an owner who is a blind person and who is using the dog in question for a guide or "seeing-eye" dog.
  - d) Due to sanitary reasons, feces on the owners' property must be removed in a timely manner to ensure the property does not become unsightly due to excess feces, have an excessive build up and/or smell.
22. No owner or keeper shall permit his dog or cat to damage public or private property other than that of the owner or keeper.
23. No owner or keeper shall keep an animal within the town tethered on a chain, rope or similar restraining device of less than three (3) meters in length.
24. Any owner or person who has tethered an animal shall ensure that the tether is secure taking into consideration the size of the animal, ensuring that the animal has unrestricted movement within the range of the tether, be tethered for a reasonable time frame and take the weather and elements into consideration.
25. All animals shall be kept in a safe, sanitary and appropriate place. If any animal has been reported to the Town and the Chief Administrative Officer feels the complaint is warranted, the appropriate authorities will be notified.

#### **PART IV –DOG RUN**

26. Where a dog is housed or kept in a dog run, the owner shall ensure that the dog run is kept in a sanitary condition, to protect the health and safety of the animal.
27. An owner shall ensure that a dog run on the owner's property is constructed of material of sufficient strength and in a manner adequate to confine the dog.
28. If, in the opinion of the Bylaw Officer, the condition or location of a dog run is not in accordance with this bylaw, the owner of the property on which the dog run is located may be ordered to clean, alter, demolish or relocate the dog run within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the order.

#### **PART V – GENERAL**

29. a) No person shall possess or harbour more than three dogs or three cats, or a combination of both, for a total of three (3) over the age of six months, but excluding:
  - i) A veterinary hospital, clinic, boarding kennel or grooming parlor;
  - ii) A public pound;
  - iii) A shop whose business includes the sale of pets and is licensed as such;
  - iv) A shelter operated by an association of society incorporated for the purpose of the protection and humane treatment of animals.b) Every person requested by the Chief Administrative Officer to do so shall forthwith deliver a statement in writing of the number of dogs or cats owned by him. To refuse to give such statement shall be a violation of this bylaw.
30. No person shall tease a dog or cat, entice a dog or cat, bait or throw objects at a dog or cat confined within its owner's property.
31. The operation of any kennel within the Town shall be subject to approval from the Medical Health Officer for the Saskatchewan Health Authority, and the kennel shall comply with the provisions of any Town of Redvers Bylaws relating to the operation of kennels within the Town.
32. The Pound keeper shall notify the Chief Administrative Officer of all dogs and cats impounded and of all cats and dogs disposed of so there are records kept and maintained at the town office.
33. The Chief Administrative Officer shall keep a binder with all receipts, records, information, etc. in respect of any license fees, pound fees, or charges, or other monies received or collected in respect of this bylaw.
34. a) Any owner whose dog or cat has bitten or attempted to bite a person in the Town of Redvers is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to the penalties prescribed in this Bylaw.  
b) If a person is convicted of an offence under Section 34a) of this bylaw and it appears to the Judge or Justice of the Peace hearing the complaint that the dog or cat is dangerous, the Judge or Justice of the Peace make an order.
  - i) Directing that the dog or cat be kept by the owner or keeper under proper control;
  - ii) Directing that the dog or cat be destroyed; or
  - iii) When a Judge or Justice of the Peace orders that a dog or cat be destroyed, he may, by the same order direct the appropriate authority to destroy the dog or cat;
  - iv) In addition to assessing any fine upon conviction.
35. a) Any owner whose dog or cat has bitten, killed, or destroyed any other animal in the Town of Redvers is guilty of an offense and liable on summary conviction to the penalties prescribed in this bylaw.  
b) If a person is convicted of an offence under Section 35a) of this bylaw and it appears to the Judge or Justice of the Peace hearing the complaint that the dog or cat is dangerous, the Judge or Justice of the Peace may make an order.
  - i) Directing that the dog or cat be kept by the owner or keeper under proper control; or
  - ii) Directing that the dog or cat be destroyed; or
  - iii) When a Judge or Justice of the Peace orders that a dog or cat be destroyed, he may by the same order direct the appropriate authority to destroy the cat or dog;
  - iv) in addition to assessing any fine upon conviction.
36. Notwithstanding Section 34 and 35 of this bylaw, where any dog or cat is suspected of having rabies, such dog or cat shall not be killed but shall be secured and isolated for ten (10) days and the matter immediately reported to the Medical Health Officer for Saskatchewan Health Authority whose instructions shall be carried out.
37. In cases of emergency for any cause, but more particularly for infectious disease caused by dogs or cats, the Medical Public Health Officer is hereby authorized to order that no owner or other person shall suffer or permit his or her dog or cat to be on any place beyond or outside the boundary of the place of the dwelling of the owner or other person at any time, whether on a leash or under proper control, until such order is revoked or cancelled, and the Medical Health Officer may order compulsory inoculation of dogs or cats.
38. Every owner of a dog or cat shall not permit his dog or cat to be or become a nuisance by barking or howling or emitting other animal sounds exceeding fifteen minutes if such sounds can be easily heard by a person not situated on the property where the dog or cat is situated.



39. An individual authorized by the Chief Administrative Officer of the municipality may, in the case of a contravention of this bylaw, capture any dog or cat within the corporate limits of the municipality and impound, destroy, or otherwise dispose of such dog or cat according to the Animal Protection Act of Saskatchewan.
40. The Town may pay any costs for which the owner of a dog or cat is responsible pursuant to this bylaw and, if not reimbursed by the owner, add the amount to the tax roll of any assessed parcel of land of that owner and that amount is deemed for all purposes to be tax imposed pursuant to The Municipalities Act, from the date it was added to the tax roll, and forms a lien against the parcel of land in favour of the Town of Redvers from the date it was added to the tax roll.

#### PART VI – OTHER ANIMALS

41. It shall be unlawful to keep live poultry, livestock and/or bees within the boundaries of the Town of Redvers.
42. No person shall own or harbour any animal, or hybrid of any animal, of the kind listed in Schedule "C" for any purpose.

#### PART VII – PENALTY PROVISIONS

43. In the case of contraventions of this bylaw the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Redvers may declare an animal to be a nuisance and required the owner of the animal to remove the animal from the town within fourteen (14) days of the nuisance declaration.
44. Any person who does not comply with any part of an order made against him/her under this bylaw is guilty of an offence.
45. All fines, penalties and forfeitures mentioned in this bylaw may be recovered and enforced with costs by summary conviction before a Judge and, in default of payment, the person convicted may be imprisoned for a term or not more than 90 days, unless the fine or penalty are paid sooner.
46. This bylaw may be enforced and the contravention of any provision of this bylaw retained, by any court on action brought by the Town of Redvers, whether or not any penalty is imposed for the contraventions.
47. Conviction of a person for contravention of any provision of this bylaw does not relieve him from compliance with the bylaw, and the convicting Judge or Justice of the Peace shall, in addition to any fine imposed, order the person to perform within a specified period any act or work necessary for the proper observance of the bylaw or to remedy the contravention of the bylaw.

#### PART VIII – BYLAWS REPEALED AND AFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS BYLAW

48. Bylaw 404/98 and amendments thereto are hereby repealed.
49. This bylaw comes into force and effect on the date of final reading.

SEAL



TOWN OF REDVERS

  
MAYOR

  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

READ A THIRD TIME AND ADOPTED THIS

21<sup>st</sup> DAY OF November, 2017.

CERTIFIED A TRUE AND CORRECT  
COPY OF BYLAW NO. 633-2017

  
ADMINISTRATOR

**Schedule A: License and Pound Fees**

TYPE	CHARGE
Assist Dogs	No Charge
All Cats & Dogs	\$25.00
Impounding Cats & Dogs	\$75.00
Second or Subsequent Impounding Cats & Dogs	\$150.00
Daily Food Fee when Impounded	\$25.00

**Schedule B: Offence Fees**

OFFENCE	WARNING LIMIT & TIME FRAME	FINE
Unlicensed Cat or Dog	1 Warning with 14 Days to License	\$50.00
Removing License Tag	1 Warning with 14 Days to Reinstate Tag	\$50.00
Running at Large	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Prohibited Area	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Chasing Other Animals or Vehicles	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Failure to Keep Animal in Heated Structure/Pet House	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Causing Damage or Litter	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Unsanitary Dog Runs & Yards	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Failure to Clean, Alter, Demolish or Relocate Dog Run	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Teasing an Animal	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Causing Nuisance to Others	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00
Dog or Cat Has Bitten	No Warnings	\$200.00
Any Other Section of this Bylaw	1 Warning Per Year	\$50.00

**Schedule C: Animals Prohibited**

All arachnids dangerous to humans (such as scorpions and tarantulas, except tarantulas of the genera Aphonopelma, Avicularia and Grammostola)
All bats
All canids, except the domestic dog
All crocodilians (such as alligators, crocodiles and caimans)
All edentates (such as anteaters, sloths, and armadillos)
All elephants
All felids, except the domestic cat
All hyenas
All marsupials (such as kangaroos and opossums)
All mustelids (such as skunks, weasels, otters and badgers), except the domestic ferret
All non-human primates (such as gorillas and monkeys)
All pinnipeds (such as seals, fur seals, and walruses)
All procyonids (such as raccoons, coatis, and cacomistles)
All raptors, diurnal and nocturnal (such as eagles, hawks, and owls)
All ratite birds (such as ostriches, rheas, and cassowaries)
All snakes of the families Phythonidae and Boidae
All ursides (bears)
All venomous reptiles and amphibians
All viverrids (such as mongooses, civets, and genets)

Examples of animals of a particular prohibited group are listed above. They are examples only, and shall not be construed as limiting the generality of the group.