

TOWN OF FORT NELSON
THE ANIMAL CONTROL, POUND AND LICENSE
BYLAW NO. 611, 2001

, 2001

In accordance with Sections 703 to 707 of the Local Government Act, a bylaw of the Town of Fort Nelson (hereinafter called "the Town") to regulate & provide for the control and protection of animals, the licensing of dogs and cats, and the provision of pound facilities.

The Council of the Town, in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

- (1) This bylaw may be cited as "The Animal Control, Pound and Licence Bylaw No. 611, 2001"**

2. REPEALS

- (1) The following bylaws are repealed in their entirety:**
- (a) The Animal Control, Dog Pound & License Bylaw No. 548, 1998.**

3. APPLICATION

- (1) This bylaw shall apply to the geographic area of the Town of Fort Nelson. Those residents residing in areas zoned Rural Residential (R4) as designated by the Town of Fort Nelson Zoning Bylaw No. 521, 1999 are not limited to the number of animals specified in this bylaw.**

4. DEFINITIONS

In this bylaw:

- (1) ***"Animal Control Officer" means the person appointed by resolution of the Council of the Town from time to time, or his/her designate, for the purpose of enforcing and carrying out the provisions of this bylaw, and includes any person designated as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer by the Council of the Town or a Peace Officer;***
- (2) ***"Bylaw Enforcement Officer" means the person appointed by resolution of the Council of the Town from time to time, or his designate;***
- (3) ***"Cat" means any animal of the feline species;***
- (4) ***"Cattle" means any **livestock including** horse, mule, swine, sheep, goat, cow or other animal of the bovine species;***
- (5) ***"Council" means the elected Council of the Town of Fort Nelson;***
- (6) ***"Dog" means any animal of the canine species;***
- (7) ***"Dangerous Dog" means a dog other than a Police Dog that:***
 - (a) ***has a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack without provocation persons or other animals;***
or,
 - (b) ***has pursued, attacked or bitten a person or other animals; or,***
 - (c) ***has killed or seriously injured a person; or***
 - (d) ***has been trained for or is owned primarily or in part for the purpose of dog fighting; or***

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- (7) ***"Dangerous Dog" (Cont.)***
- (e) ***an animal control officer has reasonable grounds to believe is likely to kill or seriously injure a person; or***
 - (f) ***while in a public place or on private property, other than property owned or occupied by the person responsible for the dog, has killed or seriously injured a companion animal or a domestic animal.***
- (8) ***"Highway" includes every highway within the meaning of the "Highway Act", and every road, street, lane or right-of-way designed or intended for or used by the general public for the passage of vehicles, and every private place or passageway to which the public, for the purposes of the parking or servicing of vehicles, has access or is invited to;***
- (9) ***"Muzzled" means fitted with a device placed over the mouth of a dog that is of sufficient strength and design to prevent the dog from biting or injuring any person or other animal;***
- (10) ***"Owner" in respect of animals subject to this bylaw includes a possessor or harbourer of an animal, bird or bees, and "owned" includes possessed or harboured;***
- (11) ***"Peace Officer" includes all members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or any person designated as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer by the Council of the Town;***
- (12) ***"Police Dog" means a dog used by a Peace Officer in police operations;***
- (13) ***"Pound" means any building or enclosure designated by the Council as a place for the impoundment of animals;***

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- (14) ***"Pound keeper" means the person or persons appointed by the Council of the Town of Fort Nelson from time to time to keep a Pound, or the authorized agent of any corporation or society with whom the Town has an agreement to keep a Pound;***
- (15) ***"Schedule A" attached to and forming part of this bylaw sets out and imposes fees for dog licenses and cat breeding fees;***
- (16) ***"Schedule B" attached to and forming part of this bylaw is the form of dog license to be granted or issued;***
- (17) ***"Schedule C" attached to and forming part of this bylaw sets out and imposes fees for the impoundment of animals;***
- (18) ***"Schedule D" attached to and forming part of this bylaw is the form of application for the release of a dangerous dog;***
- (19) ***"Schedule E" attached to and forming part of this bylaw is the permit form for cat breeding for an unspayed or unneutered cat;***
- (20) ***"Schedule F" attached to and forming part of this bylaw is the permit to harbour an unspayed or unneutered cat for the purposes of breeding;***
- (21) ***"Unlicensed Dog" means any dog for which a license for the current year, as provided in this bylaw, has not been obtained, or any dog to which the tag corresponding to a valid license for the current year is not attached as prescribed by this bylaw;***
- (22) ***"Town" means the Town of Fort Nelson;***

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(22) "Treasurer/Collector" means the person appointed by resolution of the Council of the Town of Fort Nelson from time to time, or his designate.

5. DOG LICENSING AND CAT IDENTIFICATION

- (1) No person shall keep or have in his or her possession within the Town any dog over the age of eight (8) weeks unless a license under this bylaw has been first obtained and the applicable fee paid.**
- (2) Dog license fees shall be payable as specified in "Schedule A" and become due on the 2nd day of January of each year, or as soon thereafter as the dog in respect of which the license is obtained attains the age of eight (8) weeks.**
- (3) Before issuing a licence for a spayed female dog or a neutered male dog, the Town may require the owner to furnish written certification from a licensed veterinarian that the dog has been neutered or spayed.**
- (4) A replacement license or license tag may be issued upon payment of the fee specified in "Schedule A" when:**
 - (a) the original license has been lost, destroyed or stolen, or,**
 - (b) a valid and current license for the dog has been issued in another jurisdiction.**
- (5) Fees paid for a dog license are not refundable except as specified in "Schedule A" for newly neutered or spayed dogs.**

5. DOG LICENSING AND CAT IDENTIFICATION

- (6) No license shall be issued to or in the name of any person under the age of eighteen (18) years.**
- (7) The Treasurer/Collector for the Town, and such other person, corporation or societies as Council may by resolution authorize, may receive dog license fees and issue dog licenses in the form attached as "Schedule B" on behalf of the Town and may receive cat breeding fees and issue cat breeding permits in the form attached as "Schedule E" & "Schedule F"**
- (8) There shall be issued with each dog license a suitable license tag which shall be impressed or stamped with a number corresponding to the number of the license and with figures denoting the calendar year in which the license is valid.**
- (9) Every owner of a dog licensed under this Bylaw shall provide and keep on the dog a suitable collar to which shall be secured, at all times, the license tag issued in connection with the licensing of such dog.**
- (10) No person shall remove from any dog any collar to which is attached the license tag provided for herein, or remove such license tag from any collar, except to replace an expired license tag.**
- (11) No person shall remove from any cat any collar to which an identification tag has been provided or remove such identification tag from any collar.**
- (12) If the ownership of a licensed dog changes hands, the new owner may be issued a new license and license tag upon payment of the transfer fee specified in "Schedule A", provided that the old license tag is surrendered to the Town.**

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- (13) *Every dog license issued under this bylaw shall expire on the 31st day of December next following the date on which the license is issued and shall be valid only in respect of the dog for which it was issued.*
- (14) *The Treasurer/Collector of the Town may keep a record of the name and address of the owner of every dog licensed under the provisions of this bylaw, the date the license was issued, a description of the dog, the license number and the amount of fees paid.*
- (15) *Every Owner of a cat is responsible for ensuring that his or her cat bears sufficient identification to allow any person finding the cat running at large to identify and contact the Owner. For clarity, but without limiting the identification options open to an Owner, cat identification may take the form of a collar and tag worn by the cat .*

6. PROVISION OF NEEDS

- (1) *Every person who keeps an animal within the municipality shall provide the animal or cause it to be provided with:*
- (a) *clean, fresh drinking water available and suitable food of sufficient quantity and quality to allow for normal, healthy growth and the maintenance of normal, healthy body weight;*
 - (b) *food and water receptacles kept clean and disinfected and located so as to avoid contamination by excreta;*
 - (c) *the opportunity for periodic exercise sufficient to maintain good health - including the opportunity to be unfettered from a fixed area and exercised regularly under appropriate control; and*

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(d) necessary veterinary medical care when the animal exhibits signs of pain, illness or suffering.

(2) Every person who keeps an animal which normally resides outside, or which is kept outside unsupervised for extended periods of time, shall ensure the animal is provided with an enclosure that meets the following criteria:

(a) a total area that is at least twice the length of the animal in all directions;

(b) contains a house or shelter that will provide protection from heat, cold and wet that is appropriate to the animal's weight and type of coat. Such shelter must provide sufficient space to allow the animal the ability to turn around freely and lie in a normal position;

(c) should provide sufficient shade to protect the animal from the direct rays of the sun at all times; and

(d) pens and runs must be regularly cleaned and sanitized and excreta removed and properly disposed of.

(3) No person may cause an animal to be hitched, tied or fastened to a fixed object where a choke collar or choke chain forms part of the securing apparatus, or where a rope or cord is tied directly around the animal's neck.

(4) No person may cause an animal to be hitched, tied or fastened to a fixed object as the primary means of confinement for an extended period of time.

(5) No person may cause an animal to be confined to an enclosed space, including a car, without adequate ventilation.

6. PROVISION OF NEEDS

- (6) No person shall transport an animal in a vehicle outside the passenger compartment unless it is adequately confined or unless it is secured in a body harness or other manner of fastening which is adequate to prevent it from falling off/out of the vehicle and injuring itself and to prevent it from escaping and harming any other person or animal.**

7. UNSANITARY CONDITIONS PROHIBITED

- (1) No person shall keep an animal in an unsanitary condition within the municipality. Conditions shall be considered unsanitary where the keeping of an animal results in an accumulation of faecal matter, an odour, insect infestation or rodent attractants which endanger the health of the animal or any person, or which disturb or are likely to disturb the enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any person in or about any dwelling, office, public or commercial establishment.**

- (2) If a dog or cat defecates on any public or private property other than the property of its owner, the owner shall cause such faeces to be removed immediately, unless the dog is a special needs dog and that at the relevant time, is in the control of care of a person whose disability renders that person incapable of removing and disposing of the faecal matter.**

8. CONTROL OF DOGS AND CATS

- (1) For the purpose of this bylaw, "unlawfully at large" means:**
- (a) not leashed and under the control of a competent person while on a highway or in a park or other public place; or,**

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- (b) *not confined within a building or securely tethered or prevented from leaving the property by an adequate fence while on the property of the owner of the cat or dog, or on other private property with the consent of the owner or occupier of the property;*

notwithstanding that no dog is "unlawfully at large" while under the control of a competent person; within an area where hunting is permitted at a time that hunting is permitted; actively involved in a dog show, dog trial or other similar activity; or, the person controlling the dog or police dog is a Peace Officer or security guard acting in the course of his or her duties.

- (2) *No dog or cat owner shall permit any dog or cat to be unlawfully at large.*
- (3) *No dog or cat owner shall permit or allow any cat or dog to howl or bark when such howling or barking disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of any other person.*
- (4) *No animal owner shall be permitted to possess or harbour more than a total of three (3) animals within the Town.*

9. CONTROL OF DANGEROUS DOGS

- (1) *For the purposes of this bylaw, "at large" means:*
- (a) *not leashed, muzzled, and under the control of a competent person while on a highway, or in a park or other public place; or,*

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(b) *not confined within a building or within a securely locked enclosure at least 1.8 metres in height having a concrete, asphalt or wooden floor, a roof, and wire or steel mesh sides, designed and maintained so as to prevent the entry of young children and the escape of the dog, while on the property of the owner of the dog; however no dangerous dog is "at large" while in attendance at, and participating in, any event sanctioned by the Canadian Kennel Club.*

(2) *There are new provisions under section 707.1 of the Local Government Act that enables animal control officers to enter onto your property to seize a dog if the officer believes on reasonable grounds that the dog is a dangerous dog.*

(2) *No owner of a dangerous dog shall permit, suffer or allow the dog to be at large.*

(3) *An owner of a dangerous dog shall display a sign at each entrance to the property and building in which the dog is kept warning in writing, as well as with a symbol, that there is a dangerous dog on the property. The sign shall be visible and legible from the nearest road or thoroughfare.*

(4) *The owner of any dangerous dog impounded under this Bylaw may reclaim it on application to the Pound keeper within Seventy-Two (72) hours from the time of its seizure by providing proof of ownership, paying any impoundment and related fees as set out in "Schedule C" and any applicable fine, and delivering to the Pound keeper an executed statement in the form specified in "Schedule D" attached hereto.*

9. **CONTROL OF DANGEROUS DOGS**

- (5) *If a dangerous dog has been impounded and is not reclaimed within the Seventy-Two (72) hour impounding period, the Pound keeper may cause such dangerous dog to be destroyed, provided that where the owner of such dangerous dog requests a further period of time in which to construct an enclosure for the dog, the Pound keeper may extend the time limit to reclaim the dog for a period of not more than Ten (10) days upon receipt of additional fees specified in "Schedule C".*

10. **CONTROL OF UNSPAYED FEMALE DOGS OR CATS**

- (1) *Every owner of a female dog or cat in heat or oestrus shall confine it or cause it to be confined in a building or enclosure so that it cannot come in contact with dogs or cats other than dogs or cats belonging to that owner, except that such a dog or cat may be conveyed under the control of a competent person to a veterinary clinic or a boarding kennel.*
- (2) *Notwithstanding Section 14(4) of this bylaw, where a female dog or cat in heat or oestrus has been impounded under the provisions of this bylaw, the dog or cat shall remain in the custody of the Animal Control Officer until the expiration of the dog's or cat's ovulatory period. The owner shall be responsible for all maintenance fees for the duration of the impoundment.*

11. LICENSING, REGULATION & PROHIBITION OF PIT BULL DOGS

Definitions

- (1) ***In this Section 11, the term "owner" means any person who possesses, harbours or keeps a pit bull dog in the Town, as well as any person who owns a pit bull; the term "pit bull" means a Pit Bull Terrier, American Pit Bull Terrier, Pit Bull, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier or any dog of mixed breeding including any of the foregoing breeds.***

Prohibition

- (2) ***On and after March 31, 1990 no person shall possess, harbour or keep a pit bull within the Town, unless that pit bull has been licensed in accordance with this Section on or before March 30, 1990.***

Licensing

- (3) (a) ***Every owner of a pit bull shall apply for and obtain an annual dog license for that pit bull.***
(b) ***A license under this sub-section shall be for a calendar year.***
(c) ***Notwithstanding "Schedule A" to this bylaw, the fee for a pit bull dog license under this sub-section shall be One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) and no license fee shall be rebated.***
(d) ***No license shall be issued or renewed for a pit bull which has not been licensed on or before March 30, 1990.***

Regulations

- (4) (a) ***Every owner of a pit bull shall keep the pit bull muzzled and on a leash while on a highway or in a park or other public place.***

Regulations

- (4) (b) *Every pit bull which is outdoors on private property shall be securely enclosed in a locked pen of a minimum height of six (6) feet and which prevents the pit bull from escaping or running at large.*
- (c) *Every pit bull which is indoors on private property shall be kept under the control of a competent person not less than Sixteen (16) years of age.*
- (d) *Every owner of a pit bull shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure that the pit bull does not pursue, attack or bite any person or any other animal.*

Insurance

- (5) (a) *Every owner of a pit bull shall maintain in force a liability insurance policy in the minimum amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) per occurrence, covering personal injury and property damage which may be caused by that owner's pit bull.*
- (b) *Prior to obtaining or renewing a license under this bylaw, an owner of a pit bull shall provide to the Bylaw Enforcement Officer or the Treasurer/Collector proof of the insurance required under sub-section (5)(a).*
- (c) *If the liability insurance required by sub-section (5)(a) is not maintained in force, any license in respect of the affected dog is void.*

Impoundment

- (6) *The Animal Control Officer, the Bylaw Enforcement Officer or a Peace Officer may seize and impound any licensed or unlicensed pit bull which is unlawfully at large.*
- (7) *Notwithstanding Section 18 of this bylaw, any person who contravenes any of the provisions of Section 11 of this bylaw shall be liable to a fine of not more than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six (6) months, or to both a fine and imprisonment.*

12. POUND OPERATION

- (1) The Council may establish, maintain and operate facilities for the impounding of animals at any place and upon any premises as the Council may by resolution determine.**
- (2) The Council may appoint a person or persons as Pound keeper to operate such pound, or may enter in an agreement with any person, corporation or society to operate a Pound, and to act as Pound keeper.**

13. ENFORCEMENT

- (1) The Council may appoint a person as Animal Control Officer for the purpose of enforcing and carrying out the provisions of this Bylaw.**
- (2) The Animal Control Officer may enforce the provisions of this Bylaw and seize any:**
 - (a) unlicensed dog;**
 - (b) cat found running a large;**
 - (c) dangerous dog found at large; and**
 - (d) dog other than a dangerous dog found unlawfully at large and not on the property of the owner of the dog or on other private property with the consent of the owner or occupier of the property;**
 - (e) dangerous dog found on private property, with or without the owner's permission.**

and impound such dog or cat, which shall be detained for Seventy-Two (72) hours unless it be sooner reclaimed as provided hereinafter.

13. **ENFORCEMENT**

(3) ***When an Animal Control Officer has reason to believe that an unlicensed dog is present on any premises, the Animal Control Officer may require the occupant of the premises:***

- (a) ***to give evidence that a license has been obtained and a license tag has been issued for that dog; or***
- (b) ***to deliver the dog to the Animal Control Officer;***

and no person shall:

- (c) ***fail or refuse to produce any license, license tag or breeding permit information issued for a dog or cat;***
- (d) ***fail or refuse to deliver any dog or cat to the Animal Control Officer; or***
- (e) ***resist or interfere with the Animal Control Officer in impounding any dog or cat.***

14. **IMPOUNDED ANIMALS**

(1) ***During any period of impoundment, every animal shall be supplied with a sufficient quantity of food and water. If an impounded animal is not reclaimed within Seventy-Two (72) hours of detention, such animal may be disposed of by humane destruction, adoption to eligible persons, or, sale or surrender to an animal welfare agency capable of arranging for adoption of the animal to eligible persons.***

14. IMPOUNDED ANIMALS

- (2) *Where an impounded dog or cat can be identified by a license, tag or otherwise, the Poundkeeper shall attempt to notify the owner by telephone.***
- (3) *The owner of any animal impounded under this bylaw may reclaim it on application to the Pound keeper within Seventy-Two (72) hours from the time of its seizure by providing proof of ownership and paying any impoundment and related fees specified in "Schedule C" and any applicable fine.***
- (4) *The owner of an impounded animal shall be liable for the maintenance fee specified in "Schedule C" of this bylaw, even though the owner fails or neglects to reclaim such animal.***
- (5) *The Animal Control Officer or Pound keeper shall keep a record book in which shall be entered, with reference to each animal impounded, the date and hour of impoundment, a description of the animal and the disposition of the animal.***

15. CONTROL OF CATTLE

- (1) *Every owner of cattle shall keep such cattle from running at large.***

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- (2) *The Animal Control Officer may seize any cattle found at large and impound such cattle, which shall be detained for One Hundred & Twenty (120) hours unless they be sooner reclaimed as provided hereinafter, following which they may be sold or humanely destroyed.***
- (3) *The owner of any cattle impounded under this bylaw may reclaim them on application to the Pound keeper within One Hundred & Twenty (120) hours from the time of their seizure by providing proof of ownership and paying any impoundment fees specified in "Schedule C".***
- (4) *The Animal Control Officer or Pound keeper shall keep a record book in which shall be entered, with reference to each animal impounded, the date and hour of impoundment, a description of the animal and the disposition of the animal.***

16. CONTROL OF CATS

- (1) *No person may be or become an Owner of any cat that is actually or apparently over the age of six months unless:***
 - a) *the cat has been spayed or neutered, as the case may be, by a veterinarian;***
 - b) *the person holds a valid cat breeding permit for an unsplayed or unneutered cat as provided for in this Bylaw; or***
 - c) *the person is not normally resident in the Municipality and, while in the Municipality for any temporary period or periods, ensures that his or her cat is not permitted to be running at large within the Municipality.***

16. **CONTROL OF CATS**

- (2) ***Cats may be kept on any parcel of land within the Municipality, subject to the conditions and restrictions as set out in this bylaw.***
- (3) ***No animal owner shall be permitted to possess or harbour more than three (3) animals within the Town.***
- (4) ***No person shall keep, harbour or have in their possession a cat suffering from any infectious or contagious disease unless the cat is in isolation and under veterinary care for that disease.***
- (5) ***Any person finding a cat running at large that he or she believes to be unspayed or unneutered and takes into his or her possession, must immediately notify the Animal Control Officer or the Poundkeeper and either deliver the cat to the Animal Control Officer or the Poundkeeper or, upon request, release the cat to the Animal Control Officer or the Poundkeeper.***
- (6) ***The Animal Control Officer may enforce the provisions of this Bylaw and seize any cat found at large and not on the property of the owner of the cat or other private property with the consent of the owner or occupier of the property and impound such cat, which shall be detained for Seventy-Two (72) hours unless it be sooner reclaimed as provided hereinafter.***

17. CAT BREEDING PERMITS

- (1) The Town will prescribe the form of application required by any person who wishes to obtain a cat breeding permit that will exempt that person from the provisions of section 5 during the life of the permit.**
- (2) The Town or Animal Control Officer may, upon receiving an appropriate application form and the fees for a cat breeding permit specified in "Schedule A," issue a cat breeding permit, "Schedule F" which permit shall be valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of issuance.**
- (3) An owner who holds a cat breeding permit is responsible for ensuring that his or her cat, to which the permit relates, is not permitted to be running at large in the Municipality.**

18. POWER OF ENTRY

- (1) The Animal Control Officer is hereby authorized to enter at all reasonable times upon any property within the Town which is subject to any of the regulations of this Bylaw, in order to ascertain whether the provisions of this bylaw are being observed, and it is an offence to obstruct the Animal Control Officer from acting in accordance with this Section.**

19. OFFENCE AND PENALTIES

- (1) Any person who attempts to rescue, or who rescues or releases any animal lawfully in the custody of the Pound keeper or Animal Control Officer or who obstructs or impedes the Pound keeper or Animal Control Officer or who obstructs or impedes the Pound keeper or Animal Control Officer in the execution of these duties shall be guilty of an offence.**

19. OFFENCE AND PENALTIES

- (2) Any person who violates or who causes to be violated any of the provisions of this bylaw, shall be guilty of an offence against the bylaw, and each day that such violation is caused or allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offence.**
- (3) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this bylaw shall be liable to a fine of not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), or to imprisonment for a term of not more than six (6) months, or to both a fine and imprisonment.**

20. SEVERABILITY

- (1) If any portion of this bylaw is held to be invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the bylaw.**

21. EFFECTIVE DATE

- (1) This bylaw shall take effect upon its adoption.**

READ a first time this day of , 2001.

READ a second time this day of , 2001.

READ a third time this day of , 2001.

REVIEWED with the Ministry of Attorney General on the day of , 2001.

CERTIFIED a true & correct copy of "The Animal Control, Animal Pound and Licence Bylaw No. 611, 2001" as amended & read a third time by the Council of the Town.

***Debbie M. Walker
Town Clerk***

ADOPTED this day of , 2001.

CERTIFIED a true & correct copy of "The Animal Control, Animal Pound and Licence Bylaw No. 611, 2001" as adopted by the Council of the Town.

***Debbie M. Walker,
Town Clerk***

THE CORPORATE SEAL of the Town of Fort Nelson was hereto affixed in the presence of:

***Harry Clarke
Mayor***

***Debbie M Walker
Town Clerk***

DOG LICENSE AND CAT BREEDING FEES

Except as otherwise provided in this bylaw, the following dog license fees are for a one (1) year period, from January 1 to December 31 in each year.

- a. Dogs under the age of six (6) months \$0**
- b. Spayed female or neutered male dog \$15.00
\$5.00 for Seniors**
- c. Unspayed female or un-neutered male dog \$50.00
\$25.00 for Seniors**

d. Notwithstanding any provisions of this bylaw, the owner of a dog licensed in the current license year as unspayed or un-neutered, who provides a Certificate of neutering or spaying of the dog from a licensed veterinary surgeon, is entitled to a rebate as follows:

<u>Month of Certificate</u>	<u>Rebate</u>
January, February, March, April, May, June	\$25.00 \$12.50 for Seniors
July, August, September, October, November, December	\$15.00 \$ 7.00 for Seniors

- e. Transfer of License \$3.00**
- f. Replacement of License or License Tag \$3.00**
- g. Fee for a cat breeding permit \$35.00**

IMPOUNDMENT FEES

1. The prescribed fee to reclaim an impounded animal shall be:

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| (1) First Offence, first time dog or cat is impounded: | |
| a. Dog or Cat | \$50.00 |
| b. Dangerous dog | \$200.00 |
| c. Pit Bull dog | \$200.00 |
| (2) Second Offence, second time dog or cat is impounded: | |
| a. Dog or Cat | \$100.00 |
| b. Dangerous dog | \$500.00 |
| c. Pit Bull dog | \$500.00 |
| (3) Third Offence, third time dog or cat is impounded: | |
| a. Dog or Cat | \$150.00 |
| b. Dangerous dog | \$1,000.00 |
| c. Pit Bull dog | \$1,000.00 |
| (4) Fourth and any Subsequent Offence where a dog or cat is impounded, for each such offence: | |
| a. Dog or Cat | \$175.00 |
| b. Dangerous dog | \$1,100.00 |
| c. Pit Bull dog | \$1,100.00 |

- 2. In addition to the impoundment fee(s), the following penalties, fees and charges shall be paid:**
 - (1) An added penalty of \$20.00 for unlicensed dogs plus the applicable license fee. No unlicensed dog may be reclaimed until the dog has been licensed pursuant to this bylaw.**
 - (2) A maintenance fee of Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$7.50) per day of impoundment, however, no maintenance charge shall be levied for the first calendar day or part day of impoundment.**
 - (3) Actual veterinary expenses, if any to treat an injured or sick impounded animal.**
- 3. In addition to the Dangerous Dog Impoundment fee above, when another person is engaged by the Animal Control Officer to assist in impounding a dangerous dog, Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) per hour shall be paid for every hour or part thereof for each such additional person(s) engaged.**
- 4. The prescribed fee to recover impounded cattle found unlawfully at large shall be as follows:**
 - (1) An impoundment fee of \$50.00 for each animal;**
 - (2) Actual transportation costs from point of impound to Pound; and,**
 - (3) A maintenance fee of \$15.00 per day per animal.**

APPLICATION FOR:
THE RELEASE OF A DANGEROUS DOG

1. I, _____, of
(NAME OF Owner)

(ADDRESS OF Owner)

in the Town of Fort Nelson, British Columbia, hereby apply for the release of a:

Breed: _____
Dog's Name: _____
Colour: _____
Sex: _____
Weight: _____
Age: _____

which has been impounded pursuant to Bylaw No. 611, 2001 and any amendments thereto.

2. *I am the owner of the above dog.*

3. *I am aware and have been informed that the dog is a "dangerous dog" within the meaning prescribed by Bylaw No. 611, 2001 and any amendments thereto, and I am aware of the responsibility and potential liability which rests with me in keeping or harbouring such a dog, and state that the dog will be kept at:*

_____.

4. *In consideration of the release of such dog to me, I hereby acknowledge, covenant and agree with the Town of Fort Nelson:*

(a) *that I will at all times when the said dog is not effectively muzzled, on a leash and under the control of a person who is competent to control the dog, keep such dog in a dwelling or accessory building or within a securely locked enclosure complying with the requirements of Bylaw No. 611, 2001 and any amendments thereto; and,*

4. (b) *that I herewith save harmless and indemnify the Town of Fort Nelson, its Pound keeper and any of its officers, employees, agents or elected or appointed officials proceedings, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs or expenses whatsoever and by whomsoever brought in any way arising from or caused by the release of such dog me or the keeping or harbouring of such dog by me and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, for any personal injury or death inflicted on any other animal or any person by such dog or any damage to property caused by such dog.*
5. *I herewith submit the sum of \$_____ in payment of all license and impoundment fees payable by me pursuant to Bylaw No 611, 2001 and any amendments thereto.*

Signature:
Owner of Dangerous Dog Described Above

Witness Signature

**APPLICATION FOR:
CAT BREEDING PERMIT**

1. I, _____, of
(NAME OF Owner)

(ADDRESS OF Owner)

in the Town of Fort Nelson, British Columbia, hereby apply for cat breeding permit for the purpose of breeding.

Breed: _____
Cat's Name: _____
Colour: _____
Sex: _____
Weight: _____
Age: _____

2. *I am the owner of the above cat.*

3. *In consideration of the terms of this permit, I hereby acknowledge, covenant and agree with the Town of Fort Nelson, that I will at all times be responsible for ensuring that the said cat, to which the permit states, is not permitted to be running at large within the municipality.*

Signature of Owner

**THE MUNICIPAL TICKET INFORMATION
 BYLAW NO. 610, 2001
 (In Reference to Animal Control, Animal Pound and
 License Bylaw No. 611, 2001)**

Designated Bylaw Enforcement Officers for Bylaw No. 611, 2001
Animal Control Officer
Bylaw Enforcement Officer
Poundkeeper
Royal Canadian Mounted Police Officer

Offence Bylaw No. 610, 2001 Section/Fine

	Offence	Section/Fine
Unlicensed Dog	5(1)	\$50
Failure to Secure License Tag to Dog Collar	5(9)	\$50
Unauthorized Removal of dog Collar with License Tag	5(10)	\$50
Unauthorized Removal of cat ID Collar or ID Tag	5(11)	\$50
Failure to Secure Cat Identification Collar or ID Tag	5(15)	\$50
Failure to Comply with Provision of Needs	6(1) (a-d)	\$50
Failure to Provide Adequate Shelter	6(2) (a-d)	\$50
Securing Animal in Unsafe Manner	6(3)	\$50
Improper Confinement of Animal	6(4-6)	\$50
Failure to Keep an Animal in a Sanitary Environment	7 (1)	\$50
Failure to Remove Dog or Cat Faeces on Public/Private Property	7(2)	\$50
Dog or Cat Unlawfully at Large	8(2) 17(3)	\$50
Dog or Cat Howling/Barking which Disturbs	8(3)	\$100
Possession of More Than 3 Animals	8(4)	\$100
Dangerous Dog at Large	9(2)	\$200

Failure to Confine Female Dog or Cat in Heat	10(1)	\$50
Possession of Unlicensed Pit Bull Dog	11(2)	\$200
Failure to Muzzle and Leash Pit Bull Dog on Highway/in Park/Public Place	11(4)a	\$200
Failure to Properly Secure Pit Bull Dog on Private Property Outdoors	11(4)b	\$200
Failure to Keep Pit Bull Dog on Property Indoors Under Control of Competent Person	11(4)c	\$100
Failure to take Precautions to Prevent Pit Bull Dog Pursuit, Attack or Biting of Person or Animal	11(4)d	\$200
Failure to Maintain Liability Insurance Policy	11(5)a	\$100
Failure to Produce License/License Tag or Cat Breeding Permit for Animal Control Officer	13(3)c	\$100
Failure to Deliver Dog or Cat to Animal Control Officer	13(3)d	\$100
Obstruction of Animal Control Officer	13(3)e	\$200
Cattle at Large	15(1)	\$100
Possession of unspayed or unneutered cat	16(1)a	\$100
Possession of Untreated/Not Isolated Diseased Cat	16(4)	\$100
Obstruction of Animal Control Officer Entering Property	18(1)	\$200
Unlawful Release of Animals Under Custody	19(1)	\$150
Obstruction of Animal Control Officer	19(1)	\$200