

Bylaw 8-03

Fire Prevention Bylaw
A Bylaw of the Town of Oxbow Respecting Fire Prevention

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

Short Title

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the Fire Prevention Bylaw.

Interpretation

2. In this Bylaw:

- a) "Fire Department" means the Oxbow/Enniskillen Fire Department.
- b) "Fire Chief" means the Fire Chief of the Fire Department or such other persons who may be appointed by the Council to carry out the provisions of this bylaw.
- c) "Member" means any person that is an appointed member of the Fire Department.
- d) "Council" means the elected governing council of the Town of Oxbow.
- e) "Local Assistant" means the Local Assistant to the Fire Commissioner for the Province of Saskatchewan also known as the Fire Chief.
- f) "Permit" means the written authority of the Fire Chief pursuant to this bylaw.
- g) "Municipality" means the Town of Oxbow.

Articles

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- a) Open fire for the purpose of burning rubbish or other flammable combustible waste materials within the Town of Oxbow is prohibited.
- b) Any and all burning as permitted by The Clean Air Act, shall not be kindled except by Burning Permit obtained from the Fire Chief and no such permit shall be issued unless the applicant undertakes to see that the fire is kept under control and surveillance by a competent person until it is extinguished and any restrictions as deemed appropriate by the Fire Chief.
- c) Open fires for recreational purposes shall be allowed on private property in the Municipality and the Oxbow campgrounds subject to the following:
 - i. any open fires must be controlled and contained by utilizing a non combustible container or fire barricade erected in such a manner so as not to allow the fire to spread on the ground.

- ii. any recreational open fires shall be full extinguished at the end of the activity.
 - iii. any ashes from open fires must be stored or disposed of in a non combustible receptacle.
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- d) Where open fires are permitted in Section 3, subsection (c), the owner, occupants of any property or tenants of the Oxbow campgrounds, having a fire for recreational purposes do so at their discretion and shall be liable for any damages to private or neighboring properties resulting from smoke produced by said fire or from damages from the fire by way of sparks, ambers, or the spread of fire from one property to another.
 - e) Lanes, driveways or roadways leading off the public highway/roadway and considered to be the primary access to properties where emergency services including fire, police or ambulance may be required to respond shall be maintained in an accessible condition for vehicles to drive over, be free of obstructions and overhangs that may impede a vehicle or any other blockage or condition which may be deemed as an unreasonable or avoidable impediment to vehicle access of the property. Locked or otherwise secured gates are exempted unless in such poor repair as to be considered un-openable once security is removed.
 - f) Hazardous Materials shall not be stored or located adjacent to any lane, driveway or roadway leading off the public highway/roadway and considered to be the primary access to properties where emergency services including fire, police or ambulance may be required to respond when this storage or locations falls between the dwelling or occupational; nor shall owner/occupant conduct any routing operation such as refueling or filling of vehicles or implements which could potentially result in obstruction of primary access route.
 - g) No person shall in any way impede or hinder any member of the Fire Department or any other person who shall be assisting at the extinguishing of any fire or who may be engaged in other duties connected therewith.
 - h) No person shall obstruct, hinder or delay any fire equipment while the same is proceeding to a fire; and every person traveling, riding, or driving on any street or roadway which any fire apparatus is traveling to a fire, shall yield right of way to the same.
 - i) The Fire Chief may make a fire safety inspection of the business district, all properties belonging to the Town of Oxbow, or any other district or property as deemed necessary by him once each year for the purpose of ascertaining any violation of the provisions of this bylaw or The Fire Prevention Act, 1992, and all the regulations thereunder; and to order the remedying or the removal of any condition likely to cause fire.
 - j) Any person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to

the penalties prescribed in The Fire Prevention Act, 1992,
Section 30(2).

- k) This bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the
date of final passing thereof.

Mayor

Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw 8/03
adopted by Council on the day
of July, 2003.

Administrator