

TOWN OF OXBOW PRIVACY STATEMENT

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At the Town of Oxbow (The Town), we are committed to collecting and using your personal information responsibly. The privacy and security of your personal information is of utmost importance to us. The Town is subject to the provisions of the *Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (LAFOIP)* which requires that a local government (The Town) protect the privacy of an individual's personal information that exists in our records and that we follow rules regarding the collection, retention, use, disclosure and disposal of personal information in its custody or control.

The Town endeavors to ensure that only <u>required</u> personal information is collected pursuant to LAFOIP.

Most of the information accessible on the Town's website doesn't require you to provide personal information about yourself. You may access it anonymously. The only personally identifying information arising from your use of the Town of Oxbow's website is what you voluntarily supply.

Why is Personal information collected?

The Town collects and retains personal information for a number of reasons:

- To process your requests for services, products or additional information;
- To communicate/contact you regarding services that you have requested;
- To advise you of changes to our services and of service interruptions;
- To meet legal and regulatory requirements;
- To maintain a payment history;
- To collect unpaid accounts;
- To establish, administer and maintain billing, payment and other services related to financial services concerning your business and client relationship with us.
- To register for activities and programs

What personal Information do we collect?

Depending on the purposes(s) for which we need to collect it, we may ask for the following personal information about you, including but not limited to:

- basic identification information such as your name, address, telephone numbers, and e-mail address;
- information such as any condition that may affect your ability to participate in recreation activities, etc.; or
- emergency contact information.

Who do we disclose your personal information to?

We do not sell or rent your personal information. Sometimes we must share your personal information with others on a "need to know" basis in order to serve your needs. The following are a few situations where we may be obligated to share personal information:

- for companies contracted by The Town to process your requests;
- for other governmental agencies or bodies;
- for law enforcement purposes; or
- for acting in an emergency to facilitate contact with your next of kin if you become injured or ill.

Your personal information is not used for any other reason than for which it was originally collected without your express consent or in other words – we contact you and ask.

How do we protect your personal information?

In order to protect your personal information, the Town of Oxbow:

- collects only the personal information needed to provide services for which you registered;
- keeps your personal information only for as long as we need it to provide services;
- safeguards your personal information to the best of our ability;
- responds to any request you may make to access or correct the personal information we hold about you;
- obtain the appropriate consent from you for the collection, use or disclosure of your personal information.

Some other security methods/procedures include:

- the use of passwords for the protection of electronic information;
- firewalls for network security;
- security standards relating to the storage of personal information;
- security of records in locked cabinets or vault;
- disposal of personal information in a confidential manner such as secured shredding; and
- procedures to address situations such as the loss, theft or inadvertent release of personal information.

SSL Technology

Our website uses encryption technology, such as Secure Sockets Layer ("SSL"), to protect your personal information during data transport. SSL encrypts personal and payment information such as your name, address, credit card number and any other personal information that is required to perform your transaction. Note: The Town of Oxbow does not store your credit card numbers, driver's licenses, social insurance cards, health cards and they are only used for the duration of the related transaction.

Use of "Cookie" Technology

Cookie technology captures summary – not individual – information on visitor use on the website. It is a computer code that tracks "traffic' so we can determine how effective the website is in meeting informational or service needs. A cookie contains no personally identifying information and the Town of Oxbow acquires no knowledge of an internet visitor's browsing habits. Apart from providing a performance measure, the data collected by the cookie is otherwise meaningless.

Contact Information

The Town of Oxbow is committed to protecting your personal information. If you have any questions regarding the Town of Oxbow's Privacy Statement, you can contact the Administrator/Head of LAFOIP via:

Chief Administrative Officer Town of Oxbow PO Box 149 Oxbow, SK SOC 2B0 administrator@oxbow.ca Phone: 306-483-2300 Fax: 306-483-5277

For more information about the Local Authority Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (LAFOIP) please visit the Saskatchewan Information & Privacy Commission website at <u>www.oipc.sk.ca</u>.