

BYLAW FAST FACTS

Unlicensed Vehicles Parked on City Streets

Did you know?

The Traffic Bylaw states that unlicensed vehicles or vehicles with expired registration are not allowed to be parked on City Streets for **any** length of time. Community Safety Officers are authorized to arrange for towing of any unlicensed vehicles parked on city streets or other city owned property. There is a fine of \$100 for parking an unlicensed/unregistered vehicle on a City street; towing and compound fees are also the responsibility of the owner.

Why does the City regulate this?

Parking unlicensed/unregistered vehicles on City streets puts all motorists at risk because unregistered vehicles are not insured.

Building Exteriors

Did you know?

The Property Standards Bylaw states that all exterior walls of buildings must be made of materials that provide adequate protection from the weather and be free of holes, breaks, loose or rotting boards, etc. that may allow the penetration of moisture. This means that a *building exterior must have some form of siding, stucco, etc.* (painted particle board does not comply).

Why does the City regulate this?

When buildings are not properly covered it can increase the deterioration of the structure and provides access points for rodents, insects, etc. Appropriate exterior construction maintains the look and continuity of your neighbourhood.

24 Hour On-Street Parking

Did you know?

The Traffic Bylaw states that no vehicles can be parked on the street for longer than 24 hours.

Why?

On-street parking is not meant to be long term parking. The City regulates this to facilitate road maintenance, snow removal, etc.

Snowmobile Usage

Did you know?

The City of Yorkton has a Snowmobile Bylaw! This Bylaw states that no person shall operate a snowmobile within City limits, except on the designated routes shown in the Bylaw.

To view the designated route and read more on the Snowmobile Bylaw No. 33/2012 click here.

Why does the City regulate this?

The purpose of the Snowmobile Bylaw is to promote the safety and protection of residents and their property within the city.

Parking Near Schools

Did you know?

"No Parking" or "No Stopping" areas are often established around crosswalks located adjacent to schools. These restrictions are enforced under the Traffic Bylaw No. 18/2016.

Why?

For the safety of those using the crosswalk! When vehicles park too close to crosswalks they obstruct visibility for pedestrians using the crosswalk and motorists approaching the crosswalk.

Specific areas are established as "Loading Zones" to load and unload students.

Recreational Vehicle Parking in Driveways and on City Streets

Did you know?

The Property Standards Bylaw No. 18/2017 states that Recreational Vehicles cannot be parked in a residential front yard but are allowed to be parked in a driveway from April 1st to October 31 annually.

The Traffic Bylaw No. 18/2016 also states, that trailers including campers or fifth wheel campers are not allowed to be parked unattached from the towing vehicle on City streets.

Why does the City regulate this?

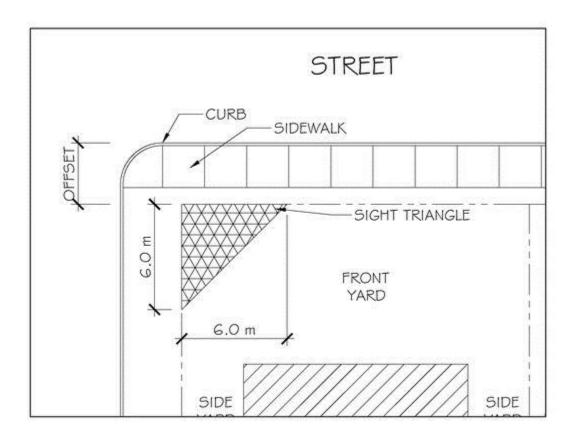
The Property Standards Bylaw aims to maintain continuity in residential neighbourhoods and appealing properties in the City. The City also understands the need to accommodate recreational vehicle parking in residential driveways during the summer to accommodate seasonal use. The Traffic Bylaw restricts campers from being left unattached from towing vehicles as this is a safety concern should the camper need to be moved in the event of an emergency.

Front Yard Hedge Height

Did you know?

The Zoning Bylaw No. 14/2003 requires that hedges, fences and walls extending beyond the front corner of your house be no more than 1 metre (3.3 ft) in height.

On corner lots, hedges, fences and walls within the sight triangle must be less than 0.6 metres (2.0 ft) in height as shown below.



Why does the City regulate this?

In the interest of public safety, limiting the height reduces visual obstructions for people backing out of driveways, walking down the street, turning corners, etc.

Cats

Did you know?

The Animal Control Bylaw No. 5/2018 requires that cat owners ensure their cat is not running at large. The City of Yorkton suggests that cats be: kept indoors, in an outdoor enclosed cat run, on a harness or leash or under continual supervision when outside.

Why does the City regulate this?

For your cat's safety: a cat running at large can be hit by a vehicle, attacked by other animals, or exposed to unwanted diseases and extreme weather conditions.

And for your neighbours enjoyment of their property: cat's running at large can be a nuisance as they often use gardens and flower beds as litter boxes.

Grass and Weeds!

Did you know?

The Property Standards Bylaw No. 18/2017 states that no owner or occupant of a property shall allow their yard to be overgrown with grass and weeds.

Why does the City regulate this?

Overgrown yards can become a haven for rodents, mosquitoes, skunks, etc. Overgrown yards can also affect the appearance and enjoyable atmosphere of neighbourhoods.

Dog Licensing Options

Did you know? ...that...

The Animal Control Bylaw No. 5/2018 provides for three dog licensing options. Dog owners can purchase one year, five year or permanent dog tags. The license rates vary depending on the status of your dog. Please inquire about these licensing options when renewing your dog license(s).

Why does the City regulate this?

The licensing system provides dogs with a numbered tag that allows the City to track the dog owner should the dog be found by a resident or should the dog be delivered to the pound. The licensing system also promotes public safety by ensuring that dogs are receiving rabies shots prior to receiving a dog license.

Dogs Must Be Under Control of Their Owners

Did you know?

The Animal Control Bylaw No. 5/2018 requires dog owners to have their dog on a leash when the dog is off the owner's premises, except when at the off-leash dog park. This enables the owner to be in immediate, continuous and effective control of the dog.

Why?

For the safety of other citizens and animals in the City, dog owners have a responsibility to have their dogs on a leash. Not everyone is a dog lover and some people may be afraid of dogs. Residents should be free and comfortable to enjoy the outdoor community, without fear of being approached by a dog that is at large or from an attack by a dog that is at large.

Fire Pits

Did you know?

The Fire Prevention Bylaw No. 15/2010 requires that residents with a fire pit obtain an Outdoor Burning Permit each calendar year. The Bylaw also prohibits the burning of: rubbish, garden and lawn refuse, animal carcasses, etc.

Whv?

For your safety: Fire Protective Services main concern is that no person is injured while enjoying their fire pit. By limiting the size and what materials are burned we can lessen any impact on friends and neighbours.

Dandelion Control

Did you know?

The City of Yorkton *does not have a Bylaw regulating dandelion growth*. The City tries to control dandelions on their property by using an integrated pest management program that consists mainly of cutting, with aeration and fertilization for sport fields and spraying in some locations.

Why doesn't the City have a Bylaw to regulate this?

A Bylaw like this would be very challenging to enforce due to the relatively short life cycle of each dandelion plant. Therefore, residents are encouraged to treat their lawns as they see fit.

Garage Sale and Realtor Signs

Did you know?

The Sign Bylaw No. 16/2003 states that no advertisement - including garage sale signs or real estate signs can be located in a public street, sidewalk, boulevard or centre median, or on a public tree, sign or light pole. No advertisement can be placed to obstruct free and clear vision of vehicular traffic.

Why was this bylaw created?

Advertisements attached to traffic signs, centre meridians, boulevards, etc. are distracting to drivers and are a safety concern. Advertising signs placed in a public place can cause obstructions for pedestrians or other City departments tasked with maintaining these areas.