

TOWN OF MEADOW LAKE

BYLAW NO. 11/2002

ANIMAL KEEPING BYLAW

A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF MEADOW LAKE PROVIDING LIMITED RESTRICTIONS FOR THE KEEPING OF ANIMALS WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF MEADOW LAKE PURSUANT TO SECTION 135 OF THE URBAN MUNICIPALITY ACT, 1984.

The Council of the Town of Meadow Lake in the Province of Saskatchewan hereby enacts as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

- (a) LIVESTOCK shall mean any animal belonging to a species of animal, other than canine or feline, that is usually raised in captivity for the purpose of the production of offspring, the production of animal products as defined by the Animal Products Act or for the commercial sale of the animal or any part of it whether it is edible or inedible including fertilized ova, fish and bees; whether or not that animal is actually being raised in captivity for any of those purposes.
- (b) POULTRY shall mean any bird raised in captivity for the purpose of:
 - (1) the production of offspring;
 - (2) the production of any animal products as defined by the Animal Products Act; or
 - (3) commercial resale of the bird or any part of it whether edible or inedible, any by-product of the bird including fertilized or unfertilized ova.
- (c) RA - Residential Acreage Zoning District means a zoning district established by the Town of Meadow Lake Zoning Bylaw.
- (d) PET means any animal as defined by the Animal Protection Act, 1999.
- (e) ACREAGE shall mean a land unit composed of one or more lots owned and/or used as a residential acreage.

2. REGULATIONS

- (a) No person(s) may possess or house more than four cats per household or residential unit.
- (b) Subject to Regulations 2(d) and 2(e) of this Bylaw, no person shall be permitted to possess livestock or poultry within the limits of the Town of Meadow Lake, except for the limited purpose of transport or delivery of such livestock or poultry which would necessitate the passage of such livestock or poultry through the Town of Meadow Lake and in such case, possession is permitted only to the minimum extent required to effect such passage, unless otherwise authorized by the Town of Meadow Lake.
- (c) No exotic pets such as boa constrictors, pythons, venomous snakes, spiders, crocodiles, scorpions, bees or animals that may create a health hazard as defined by The Public Health Act, 1994, shall be permitted within the limits of the Town of Meadow Lake.
- (d) Accessory to the permitted, principal residential use in an RA-Residential Acreage District Zone, the owner(s) or occupant(s) of an occupied lot or lots having an area of one hectare or more, may at the discretion of Council, keep a horse or horses on the premises under the following conditions:
 - (1) Up to two horses are permitted on acreages of one to two hectares (2.5 to 5 acres) in size and up to but not exceeding four horses, on acreages of two hectares (5 acres) or more.

- (2) The horses must be kept entirely on the owner's or occupants property within a fence, pen or on a tether when left unattended.
 - (3) Horse manure shall not be permitted to accumulate so as to become a nuisance.
 - (4) A rodent control program must be maintained.
 - (5) No shelter for horses may be closer than 100 metres from any abutting residences.
- (e)
- (1) On its own initiative or after being petitioned or requested by neighbouring residents, Department of Public Health or other government agency, Council may revoke the privilege of any person(s) to keep horses in the RA-Residential Acreage District Zone.
 - (2) Where Council revokes the animal keeping privilege, the owner or occupant shall be served by registered mail or in person a letter of notice stating the reason(s) for Council's decision. The recipient of the letter of notice shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt take what action Council deems necessary to correct, resolve and alleviate the reason(s) for Council's decision or cease the keeping of the horses.
 - (3) Where the aforementioned recipient fails to comply with Council's direction, Council may direct their agent(s) to take whatever action they deem necessary to correct, resolve and alleviate the reason(s) for Council's decision, the costs of which will be the responsibility of the recipient in addition to the penalty set out in the Town's General Penalty Bylaw for an infraction or contravention of this Bylaw.
3. Any infraction or contravention of this Bylaw shall be subject to the penalties as set out in The General Penalty Bylaw of the Town of Meadow Lake.
 4. This bylaw shall come into force on the date of its final reading.
 5. Bylaw No. 14/83 is hereby repealed.

Introduced and read a first time this 9th day of September, 2002.

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Read a third time and adopted this 23rd day of September, 2002.

Administrator

Mayor