

**THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS
OF DYSART, DUDLEY, HARCOURT, GUILFORD,
HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYRE AND CLYDE**

**BY-LAW NO. 2000-44
AS AMENDED TO BY-LAW NO. 2002-78**

**BEING A BY-LAW TO REGULATE THE KEEPING AND
CONTROL OF DOGS WITHIN THE CORPORATION
OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART ET AL**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter M45, Sec.210 gives authority for the Councils of local Municipalities to pass by-law for:

1. The keeping of animals, or any class thereof;
2. The keeping of dogs;
3. Removal of dog waste;
4. Licensing, regulating and requiring the registration of dogs; and
5. Prohibiting or regulating the running at large of dogs.

AND WHEREAS the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al deems it desirable and appropriate to do so;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al enacts as follows:

1. By-law 91-56 be and is hereby repealed.
2. For the purpose of this By-law:
 - a) "Owner of a dog" includes a person who possesses or harbours a dog; and "owns" or "owned" have corresponding meaning; and where the owner is a minor, the person who is responsible for custody of the minor will be considered the owner.
 - b) "Dog" means a male or female dog.
 - c) "Running at large" means found in any place other than the premises of the owner; and not under the control of any person.
 - d) "Waste" means dog excrement.
 - e) "Prohibited Area" means any area so posted and designated by Council from time to time.
 - f) "Kennel" means a building or structure where more than 3 dogs are kept, bred or boarded, and the said kennel must be lawfully operated in accordance with the Municipality's Zoning By-law.
3.
 - a) No person shall own or keep a dog or dogs within the Municipality of Dysart et al unless such dog, or dogs, are licensed and registered on or before the 1st day of January in each and every year, or within 30 days of the acquisition of the dog, at a cost of \$10.00 per dog.
 - b) The owner of the dog will be issued a tag which shall be securely fixed on the dog at all times.
 - c) Every person being the owner of a Kennel within the Municipality of Dysart et al shall pay an annual fee of \$25.00 on or before the 1st day of January in each and every year, or within 30 days of establishing such Kennel.

4.
 - a) No person who owns or keeps a dog, or dogs, shall permit such dog, or dogs, to run at large, except that nothing in this By-law shall prevent the lawful use of a dog, or dogs, for hunting during the legal hunting season.
 - b) Any dog, or dogs, found running at large may be captured and impounded, and the owner or keeper of such dog, or dogs, may be permitted to redeem the dog, or dogs, with 3 days of the impoundment, by paying any charges levied by the pound keeper, in addition to paying any penalties that may be levied.
 - c) Any dog, or dogs, which are not redeemed as set out above, may be sold or otherwise disposed of.
5. No person being the owner of a dog, shall permit the dog to be within a prohibited area.
6. Every person being the owner of a dog, shall keep the dog leashed and under the control of some person while on the lands owned by the Municipality where dogs are permitted, or while on any publicly maintained road.
7. Every person being the owner of a dog, shall forthwith, without leaving the scene, remove the dog's excrement from private property, excluding that of the owners, or from the property of the Municipality. This section does not apply to a seeing-eye dog that is providing assistance to the owner.
8. No person shall permit a dog, kept harboured or owned, to bark at any time in a manner likely to disturb the inhabitants.
9. This By-law shall be enforced by the Municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, who shall keep, or cause to be kept, a record of dogs licensed, the name and address of the owner, and the serial number of the dog tag issued.
10. Any person who contravenes the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence, and on conviction, is liable to a penalty, and the revisions of the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O., 1990, shall apply.

Read a first, second and third time, finally passed, signed and seal, this 8th day of May, 2000.

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CAO/CLERK