

BY - LAW NO. 8

A BY - LAW RESPECTING ANIMAL CONTROL

The Council of the Village of Cambridge - Narrows, under the authority vested in it by Section 96 of the Municipalities Act, enacts as follows:

1. **TITLE**

This by-law may be cited as the Animal Control By-Law of the Village of Cambridge-Narrows.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

(1) "Owner" means any person or family that has in its possession or harbours or permits an animal to remain about its premises or residence.

(2) "Family" means one or more persons occupying the same single housekeeping unit.

(3) "Running At Large" means to be unleashed

(I) in a public place; or

(ii) on premises not owned by or in the possession of the owner of the animal.

(4) "Animal Control Officer" means the person or persons appointed by the Village Council to administer this By-Law.

(5) "Clerk" means the Clerk of the Village of Cambridge-Narrows.

(6) "Poundkeeper" means the person or persons appointed by the Village Council to retain all animals.

(7) "Breeder" means any person who:

(I) is in possession or the owner of a female dog who gives birth to a litter of pups; and

(ii) is an owner who keeps dogs for breeding, selling, boarding or any other like purpose; or

(iii) is the holder of a valid kennel license issued under this By-Law.

(8) An "animal" in this by-law means "dog" only

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3. **REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF DOGS**

- (1) Dog licenses are to be issued by the Animal Control Officer or the Village Clerk. The Animal Control Officer is to be notified of any licenses issued by the Clerk on a bi-weekly basis.
- (2) All dogs shall be registered by the owner within:
  - (I) sixty (60) days of the owner acquiring the dog; and
  - (ii) sixty (60) days of the dog entering the Village of Cambridge-Narrows.
- (3) The owner of any dog required to be licensed under this by-law shall pay annually a license of:
  - (I) Ten dollars (\$10.00) for a non neutered or non spayed dogs.
  - (ii) Five dollars (\$5.00) for neutered or spayed dogs.
- (4) A license under this section expires on the last day of December in each calendar year.
- (5) Upon registration of a dog, the Animal Control Officer or the Village Clerk shall issue to the owner a registration as herein provided, together with a license tag which shall indicate the registration number of the dog and the year of registration.
- (6) Every owner of a dog shall cause any dog registered by him to wear a collar to which shall be attached the tag issued under subsection (5).
- (7) No dog shall be registered unless the owner proves to the satisfaction of the Animal Control Officer or to the Village Clerk, possession of a valid rabies vaccination certificate for such dog signed by a registered veterinarian.
- (8) The owner of a dog which is used as a "seeing eye" or "hearing ear" dog is not required to pay the license fee under this section for such dog.
- (9) The Animal Control Officer or the Village Clerk shall keep a record of all licenses issued showing:
  - (I) The date and number of registration;
  - (ii) The sex, and breed of dog for which a license has been issued;
  - (iii) The name, address and telephone number of the owner.

(10) Any person who loses a tag may obtain one to replace such tag from the Village Clerk upon payment of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).

4. **KENNEL LICENSES**

(1) No person or family shall be the owner of more than two (2) dogs without obtaining a valid kennel license as hereinafter provided.

(2) No person shall breed, sell or board dogs or operate a kennel without obtaining a Kennel License.

(3) A Kennel License fee shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per year.

(4) Any person who holds a valid Kennel License shall not be required to pay the dog license fee for any dog kept by such person for breeding purposes or for sale.

(5) Kennel Licenses shall expire on the last day of December in each calendar year.

5. **SEIZING AND IMPOUNDING**

(1) An animal found running at large may be seized and impounded by the a Animal Control Officer and the owner may claim his/her animal if he/she establishes to the satisfaction of the Animal Control Officer or Poundkeeper his/her ownership and has paid to the Animal Control Officer or the Village Clerk:

(I) A sum of twenty dollars (\$20.00) and,

(ii) A further sum on an actual cost basis invoiced by the Poundkeeper for each day the animal has been impounded plus any other rates and / or charges which may be levied for medication prescribed and administered during the impounding period.

(2) All impounding fees and charges shall be the responsibility of the Animal Control Officer to receive and disburse excepting costs for euthanasia which shall be borne by the Village.

(3) An impounded animal which has not been claimed within three (3) days, exclusive of statutory holidays, Saturdays and Sundays, after seizure, may be sold by the Poundkeeper or Animal Control Officer, or may be destroyed by the poundkeeper or the Animal Control Officer in a manner approved by the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

(4) If the owner or harbourer of a seized animal is known, the Animal Control Officer shall make a reasonable attempt to notify the owner or harbourer of such seizure and impounding.

(5) The Animal Control Officer shall not be required to seize or impound any animal as a result of a complaint of any person unless such person shall furnish the name and address of the complainant to the Animal Control Officer.



(6) The Animal Control Officer shall collect from the owner before releasing the animal, or from the purchaser at the time of the sale of the animal, the total and all costs of seizing, impounding, maintaining the animal and the annual license fee.

6. (1) A Judge of the Provincial Court, on a complaint made to him/her that an animal has bitten or attempted to bite any person, and upon being satisfied that the complaint is warranted, may make an order:

(I) directing the owner of the animal to keep it under control: or

(ii) directing the owner of the animal or some other person to destroy the animal.

(2) A person failing to comply with an order made under Clause 5 (1) (b) or 6 (1) (a) is liable for a fine of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each day that he fails to comply with the order up to a maximum of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and in default of payment is liable to imprisonment in accordance with section 31 subsection 3 of the Summary Convictions Act.

7. **OFFENCES**

(1) The owner or harbourer of any animal commits an offence under this by-law if:

(I) he/she permits the animal to run at large at any time;

(ii) he/she refuses or neglects to register and

(iii) he/she refuses or neglects to attach and keep attached a current license tag to the collar of the dog.

(iv) he/she permits the dog to bark, howl or in any other manner, to make noise likely to cause a public nuisance or otherwise disturb inhabitants;

(v) he/she neglects or refuses to take all precautionary measures to protect the general public immediately upon becoming the owner or harbourer of a dog or other animal trained to guard persons and /or property and/or attack;

(vi) he/she neglects or refuses to provide, maintain, and use an escape proof enclosure for such period or periods of time the dog, or other animal, trained to guard persons and / or property and/or attack is left unattended by the owner's or harbourer's immediate presence, at any time.

- (2) Any person commits an offence under this by-law who:
  - (I) Interferes or attempts to interfere with the Animal Control Officer, the Poundkeeper, and /or their agents who is / are exercising their functions under this By-Law.
  - (ii) Not being the "owner", removes the collar or license tag from any dog.

8. **PENALTY**

- (1) Unless otherwise herein provided, a person convicted of an offence under this By-Law is punishable by a fine of not less than twenty dollars (\$20.00) and not more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and in default of payment is liable to imprisonment in accordance with section 21 subsection 3 of the Summary Convictions Act.
- (2) Any person who interferes with or attempts to interfere with the Animal Control Officer, Poundkeeper, or their agents, in the exercise of their duties under this By-Law shall be guilty of a offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).
- (3) When an owner is convicted under section 7 (1) (b), the Judge shall order the owner to pay the license fee required in addition to the fine.
- (4) Any person authorized under this By-Law to capture and impound an animal or animals shall not be liable in damages for any injury or damage caused to such animal or animals while the same is / are being captured or impounded.

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Leslie Robertson  
MAYOR

June Palmer  
CLERK

# VILLAGE OF CAMBRIDGE - NARROWS

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### AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW NO. 8 - A BY-LAW RESPECTING ANIMAL CONTROL

#### 9. NON RESIDENT DOG OWNERS

Non resident dog owners will be subject to the same offences and penalties, as per section (7) & (8) of by law, as resident dog owners. Non resident dog owners would be advised to have identification tags on their dogs, from their local place of residence, in order to identify their dog (s) when visiting or staying in the Village of Cambridge-Narrows. The Village of Cambridge-Narrows will not request that non resident dog owners purchase dog tags from the Village of Cambridge-Narrows.

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*Gay Goulding*  
MAYOR

*Jane Palmer*  
CLERK

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