

NORTHERN VILLAGE OF AIR RONGE
BYLAW NO. 258/11

A BYLAW TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATING OF DOGS
AND FOR THE PROHIBITING OF DOGS RUNNING AT LARGE

The Council of the Northern Village of Air Ronge, in the Province of Saskatchewan, under the provision of subsection 100(1) of *The Northern Municipalities Act*, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be referred to as the "Dog Control Bylaw".

Interpretation

2. For the purpose of this bylaw, the expression:
 - a) "administrator" shall mean the administrator of the Northern Village of Air Ronge;
 - b) "bylaw enforcement officer" shall mean the person or persons appointed or contracted by the Council of the Northern Village of Air Ronge for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Bylaw;
 - c) "Council" shall mean the Council of the Northern Village of Air Ronge;
 - d) "dog" shall mean a member of the *canis genus* species, male or female, neutered or spayed, over the age of six months;
 - e) "peace officer" shall mean a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police;
 - f) "pound" shall mean such premises and facilities as may be designated by Council for the purpose of safely lodging and securing animals seized pursuant to this Bylaw;
 - g) "pound-keeper" shall mean the person(s) appointed by the Council as pound-keeper;
 - h) "running at large" shall mean when the dog is beyond the boundaries of the land occupied by the owner, possessor, or harbourer of the said dog, or beyond the boundaries of said land where the dog may be with the permission of the owner or occupier of said land, and when it is not under control by being:
 - (i) in direct continuous charge of a person competent to control it; or
 - (ii) securely confined within its enclosure; or
 - (iii) securely fastened to a leash or chain or other similar restraining device, not exceeding two metres in length, so that it cannot roam at will;
 - i) "Village" shall mean the Northern Village of Air Ronge.

Licensing

3.
 - a) Every person within the Village who owns, possesses, or harbours a dog shall obtain a license from the Administrator. When obtaining the license, the purchaser shall provide a physical description of the dog and the name, address, and telephone number of the owner of the dog.
 - b) The license shall be in effect from January 1 to December 31 of a calendar year and shall be obtained within thirty days of taking possession of the dog.
 - c) The license fee shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00).
 - d) When issuing a license for a dog, the Administrator shall supply the applicant with a license tag and a receipt for the license fee.
4. If a dog license tag is lost or damaged so as to be illegible, the owner, possessor, or harbourer of the dog to which the license was issued shall obtain a replacement which shall be issued by the Village upon payment of a fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00).
5. Every person to whom a license has been issued under this Bylaw shall cause his or her dog to wear a collar to which shall be attached the license tag issued by the Village pursuant to this Bylaw.

Running at Large

6. An owner, possessor, or harbourer of a dog shall not, at any time, allow the dog to be running at large within the Village.

Limits – Number of Dogs

7. No person shall harbour or keep more than three (3) dogs within the Village unless he/she is registered with The Canadian Kennel Club as a breeder.

Seizure and Impounding

8. A bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer may take any dog found running at large to the Village pound where it shall be kept for at least three (3) days, including weekends and statutory holidays, unless the owner, possessor, or harbourer redeems the dog by paying, to the poundkeeper, the amount set forth in "Schedule A" of this Bylaw.
9. A bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer is hereby authorized to seize and capture, by the use of a tranquilizer gun or other method authorized by the Council, and impound any dog that is found to be running at large.
10. No person shall:
 - a) interfere with or attempt to obstruct a bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer who is attempting to seize or has seized a dog in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw;
 - b) unlock or unlatch or otherwise open the vehicle in which a dog, seized under this Bylaw, has been placed, so as to allow or attempt to allow the dog to escape therefrom; or
 - c) remove or attempt to remove any dog from the possession of a bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer.
11. It shall be the duty of the pound-keeper to provide each impounded dog with an adequate daily supply of food and fresh water.
12. The Administrator may sell any dog, which is not redeemed within the period of time noted in Section 8, for a sum of not less than the amount required to redeem the dog under Section 8.
13. The pound-keeper may destroy, or cause to be destroyed, any dog which has not been redeemed within the period of time noted in Section 8.

Nuisance

14. No owner, possessor, or harbourer of a dog shall:
 - a) allow the dog to do damage to public or private property;
 - b) allow the dog to create a nuisance to any person by barking, howling, chasing vehicles, or chasing bicycles;
 - c) allow the dog to create a nuisance to any person by attempting to bite that person; or
 - d) allow the dog to create a nuisance to any person by biting that person.

Rabies, Disease

15. Any dog, suspected of having rabies or another disease, shall be isolated for a period of seven (7) days at a place to be determined by Council and the matter reported to a veterinary clinic whose instructions shall be complied with by the owner, possessor, or harbourer of the dog.

Destruction by Bylaw Enforcement Officer and Peace Officer

16.
 - a) a bylaw enforcement officer or a peace officer may destroy any animal that the officer finds injuring or viciously attacking a person or domestic animal.
 - b) where the officer acted in good faith, a bylaw enforcement officer or peace officer who destroys an animal pursuant to section 16 a) is not liable to the owner for the value of the animal or for any other loss, damage or compensation.

Penalties

17. A person who contravenes any of the provisions of Sections 3, 5, 6, 7, 10, 14, or 15 of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offense and, upon summary conviction, shall be liable to a maximum penalty of:

<u>Reference</u>	<u>First Offense</u>	<u>Subsequent Offenses Within Twelve Months of First Offense</u>
a) Section 3, 5, 10	\$20.00	\$40.00
b) Section 6	\$75.00	\$100.00
c) Section 7	\$50.00 for each animal exceeding the limit	
d) Section 14(a)	\$75.00	No more than \$1,000.00
e) Section 14(b)	\$75.00	No more than \$1,000.00
f) Section 14(c)	\$75.00	No more than \$1,000.00
g) Section 14(d)	\$150.00	No more than \$2,000.00
h) Section 15	\$150.00	No more than \$2,000.00

18. The Administrator or peace officer shall issue a "Notice of Violation", in "Form A", attached to and forming part of this Bylaw.
19. A person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw, upon being served with a "Notice of Violation", may, during regular office hours, voluntarily pay the prescribed penalty at the Village office and, upon payment as so provided, that person shall not be liable to prosecution for the offense.
20. If the Village receives voluntary payment of the prescribed penalty within seven (7) days from the date the "Notice of Violation" was issued, the person receiving the "Notice of Violation" shall not be liable for prosecution.

Other

21. Bylaw No. 240/06 is hereby repealed.
22. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon the date of final passing

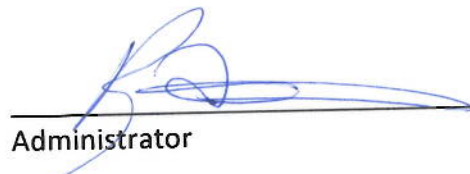
Read a first time this 20th day of December, 2011
 Read a second time this 20th day of December, 2011
 Read a third time this 18th day January, 2012

Seal





 Mayor



 Administrator

“Schedule A” of Bylaw No. 258-11

Dog Pound Fees
(Pursuant to Section 8)

Impoundment Fees

First Offense	\$50.00 plus \$10.00 per day or portion thereof
Second Offense *	\$70.00 plus \$10.00 per day or portion thereof
Subsequent Offenses **	\$100.00 plus \$10.00 per day or portion thereof

* Within twelve months of the first offense.

** Within twelve months of the second offense.