## The Scoop on Dog Poop



You must pick up all droppings produced by your dog both on and off your property. This includes all City parks (that allow dogs) and other residents' private property.

Responsible dog owners always carry a plastic bag when walking their dog within the City and pick up poop and drop it in the

garbage container. Dog poop bags are available free at popular dog walking areas. The fine for not picking up your dog's poop is \$50.

#### Controlling your Dog

Dog owners shall not allow their dog to:

- molest passers by
- approach a person in a menacing fashion or;
- attack, bite, inflict injury or assault a person
- chase vehicles or cyclists
- chase, harass, assault or attack any other animal
- damage property other than that of the owner.

All dogs must be under direct custody of a competent person when not on the property of the owner and tethered or confined indoors or in an enclosure when on the property of the owner.

Dogs bark for many reasons; communication with other dogs, boredom, possible threats and others. A responsible dog owner will ensure their dog's barking, yelping, howling or crying does not disturb their neighbours. The fine for nuisance barking is \$100.

# Dogs at Large

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According to City Bylaws, dogs are not allowed to "run at large". This means all dogs must be under the control of their owner at all times. The owner of an animal caught at large will be issued a \$100 fine.

The first impoundment fee for dogs is \$25. The second impoundment fee is \$50 and the third and subsequent impoundments are \$100 each.

A responsible dog owner shall not allow their pet to be under the care, custody, and control of a person who is not competent and/or strong enough to control the dog.

### Complaints

If you have a complaint or concern about a dog, please contact Bylaw Services at: 250.803.4000



#### Dog Licensing

Bylaw 2398 requires all dogs that are at least six (six) months old and has resided within the City of Salmon Arm



for thirty (30) days to be licensed. The keeping of an unlicensed dog is a bylaw contravention which carries a \$50 fine plus any impoundment fees that may apply. Fees collected from the sale of dog licenses help pay the costs of protecting the public from dogs who pose a danger to the community.

Dog tags are valid from January 1 to December 31 of the current year. Dog owners have until February 15 to purchase a current dog licence for their pet. Licenses can be purchased at City Hall or at most Veterinarians and pet stores within the City of Salmon Arm.

Dog licenses allow dogs to be reunited with their rightful owners should they become lost or wander away. If your dog becomes lost and is injured, the license allows the Veterinarian or good Samaritan to contact the Animal Control Officer who will then advise the dog owner of the situation.

## **Licensing Fees**

Neutered male dog	\$17
Spayed female dog	\$17
Non-Neutered male dog	\$35
Non-Spayed female dog	\$35
Four (4) dogs or more at one location	\$135
Duplicate of other tag	\$5

A \$5 discount shall apply to all license fees paid prior to February 15 in each calendar year.

A 50% reduction shall apply for new licenses purchased after July 31.

#### City Parks



Within the City, dogs are **not permitted** in the following areas:

- Canoe Beach
- Fletcher Park
- Jackson Park

In all other City parks dogs **must be** on a leash and under control of the owner.



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