

# Community Standards Bylaw

## Summary of Standards

### **Noise** (Sections 6-14)

Nobody is allowed to make noises that are loud enough to disturb other people, whether that noise is made by sound equipment or vehicles, or in some other way.

Exceptions include on industrial properties, for construction, and on farms.

### **Nuisance and Unsightly Properties** (Sections 15-19)

Property owners need to make sure their properties don't disturb the use of other properties (by having anything from the property go onto another property), to look excessively unsightly, or to be unsafe.

In addition, property owners can't allow too much garbage to accumulate on their properties.

### **Graffiti** (Sections 20-23)

Nobody is allowed to place graffiti on buildings and fences.

If a property owner has graffiti on their buildings or fences, they need to remove it if directed to do so by the County.

### **Wood Burning Appliances and Nuisance Smoke** (Sections 24-27)

Anyone who heats their house with a wood-burning appliance needs to operate and maintain it in accordance with manufacturer instructions, and make sure that excessive smoke is not released when using it. The wood-burning appliance can't be used during an air quality advisory, unless it is the only way of heating the building.

In addition, anyone who has an outdoor fire needs to make sure there is not too much smoke.

### **Storing Construction Materials and Debris** (Sections 30-33) (Residential Property Only)

Property owners must ensure construction materials are stored neatly, and only during construction.

If construction is occurring, debris and garbage needs to be placed in a waste bin, not allowed to blow and be scattered around the property.

### **Building, Yard, and Fence Maintenance** (Sections 34-44) (Residential Property Only)

Property owners need to make sure that building, yards, and fences are maintained so that they are safe for other people on or near the property.

In addition, property owners need to make sure all buildings and fences are maintained so they do not deteriorate or rot, or provide home for pests and bugs.

**Parking on Private Property** (Sections 45-48) (Residential Property Only)

Vehicles can only be parked on driveways, and not on landscaping or grass.

Motorhomes, trailers, and large commercial trucks need to be parked so they do not overhang or block sidewalks or roads, and are chocked to prevent them from rolling.

**Sidewalk Clearing** (Sections 49-58) (Residential Property Only)

Property owners need to clear sidewalks, or add non-slip materials, in front of and beside their homes within 48 hours of a snowfall.

**Littering** (Sections 60-61)

Littering is not allowed. This includes throwing litter on public property and dumping in rural ditches.

**Idling** (Sections 62-66)

Vehicles are not allowed to idle for more than 5 minutes in a 30-minute period. Also, idling is not permitted in areas with a sign that says idling is not allowed.

Exceptions include when idling is required for proper operation of the vehicle or equipment powered by the vehicle.

**Charity Bins and Collection Sites** (Sections 68-78)

Charity donation bins can only be operated by permit. The owner of the bin is responsible to make sure the bin and the surrounding area is kept tidy

Each bin must be safe to prevent people from being trapped inside and must indicate whether they are owned by a for-profit or a non-profit group.

**Clearing Disabled-Parking Stalls** (Sections 79-84)

If a parking lot has disabled-parking stalls, the stalls and a path to the sidewalk need to be cleared within 48 hours of a snowfall.

**Symbols of Hate** (Section 85)

Displaying symbols of hate, that promote violence, hate, or hostility against a person or group, is not allowed.