

# **RESORT VILLAGE of KANNATA VALLEY**

## **REFERENCE MANUAL**

### **LAWS, BYLAWS & REGULATIONS**

#### **UPDATED NOVEMBER 2013**

Citizens of the Resort Village of Kannata Valley have indicated a desire for growth as a community, having the following goals:

1. To implement policies that will result in a community supporting a quiet & comfortable residential lifestyle having a strong component of recreation & relaxation
2. To implement policies that will result in orderly & appropriate development of land, by reason of appropriate size, quality & proper location of development, consistent to the primary purpose of the community
3. To implement policies to protect & enhance the natural environment of flora & fauna of the local habitat
4. To implement policies to minimize damage from fire, soil erosion, hillside slumping & shoreline erosion.

These stated goals describe the main direction for future development of the community. The laws, bylaws & regulations are the framework to achieve the stated goals. Policies which do not fall within the framework of the community goals should not be permitted unless the goals of the Basic Planning Statement have first been revised & approved by the community

**The primary objective of this reference manual is to provide a summary of some of the current bylaws & regulations so that our citizens, armed with this information, will voluntarily comply with municipal controls resulting in a pleasant, safe & enjoyable community in which to live & share family & friends**

#### **NOISE:**

Ref: **Bylaw # 40: to control & regulate noise  
Traffic Bylaw: Noise from motor vehicles**

Loud, unnecessary and/or unusual noise which annoys, disturbs, injures, endangers or detracts from comfort, repose, health, peace or safety of other persons is to be reduced or eliminated between the hours of 10:00PM and 7:00AM. Note: this includes excessive dog barking or howling, construction noise of machines, tools & equipment, radio, stereos and/or car audio equipment & unnecessary noise from the operation of a motor vehicle i.e. mufflers or tire spinning. Lawn mowing & snow blowing is prohibited from 10:00PM to 8:00AM

#### **RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERSHIP: (DOGS & CATS)**

Ref: **Bylaw # 74: to regulate dogs & cats  
Chapter S-60: The Stray Animals Act**

The bylaw states that a person who owns, possesses or harbours a dog or cat must keep it on their property & **on a leash when on public property**. **Where a pet defecates on public property, the "poop" must be picked up & disposed of in a responsible manner**

#### **OPEN FIRES/CAMP FIRES**

Ref: **Bylaw # 41: to restrict open fires  
The Fire Prevention Act**

The threat of fire is always a concern. Thus, burning rubbish, trees, leaves or anything else on private property is not permitted. Such materials are to be taken to the Refuse Transfer Station (RTS). Camp fires are permitted on private property under restricted supervised conditions. Camp fire pits must be less than 3 feet in diameter with sidewalls of non-combustible materials with an ember control screen. Please be careful & considerate of others. Do not light a camp fire when the wind speed & direction cause a danger to property or health of neighbours.

#### **FIREARMS – PELLET GUNS**

Ref: **Bylaw # 17: discharge of firearms**

The discharge of rifles, guns, air guns, air pistols & explosives is not permitted within the municipality

**FIREWORKS**

**Ref: Bylaw # 87: discharge of fireworks**

An owner or occupant shall be responsible to assure that those who use his or her property comply with the provisions of municipal bylaws, do not interfere with the use & enjoyment of neighbouring property owners & do not endanger the safety, health or welfare of people in the municipality.

Any resident that wishes to set off fireworks must first apply for a fireworks permit. Application forms are available at the Village office.

Fireworks can only be set off on the shoreline & pointed over the water.

**MOTORIZED VEHICLES & BIKES IN KANNATA HIGHLANDS**

**Ref: Bylaw # 72.1: zoning bylaw  
The Dedicated Lands Regulations**

The Kannata Highlands, zoned as an Environmental Reserve, are to be preserved in its natural state in perpetuity. Access & use of this area is restricted to walking, hiking & skiing activities. Wheeled vehicles & snow machines are prohibited because of the resulting damage to vegetation, terrain & dangers of fire. Fines of up to \$1,000 may be assessed for the operation of snowmobiles & ATV's in an Environmental Reserve district

**ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES (ATV)**

**Ref: All Terrain Vehicles Act: Chapter 18.02**

The act defines an ATV as a restricted use motorbike, mini-bike or all terrain cycle. *Operation of an ATV or motorized golf cart is not permitted on Lakeshore Drive.* Violations under this Act are dealt with by the RCMP. Fines between \$100 - \$500 may be assessed.

**SNOWMOBILES**

**Ref: Bylaw # 82: snowmobile bylaw  
The Snowmobile Act: Chapter S-52**

Bylaw # 82 permits the operation of a snowmobile on Lakeshore Drive & on Municipal Reserves MR1, MR2, MR4 & MR5 subject to the provisions of the Snowmobile Act. Snowmobiles may not be operated on Environmental Reserves

**PARKING ON PAVEMENT**

**Ref: Bylaw # 81.2 Traffic Bylaw**

The driving surface of Lakeshore Drive is shared between pedestrians, children on bikes & vehicles. Parking on the paved driving surface restricts such activities & threatens the safety of others. The Traffic Bylaw prohibits parking on the driving surface. Please encourage your visitors to comply with the bylaw as well. The Zoning Bylaw # 72.1 requires each property to have at least one off street parking area on their property

**SPEED LIMITS ON LAKESHORE DRIVE**

**Ref: Bylaw # 81.2 Traffic Bylaw**

Lakeshore Drive is an narrow winding road with several blind corners. This coupled with vehicles parked on either side of the paved street makes it extremely dangerous when vehicles exceed the 30km/h speed limit. The Lumsden RCMP (306-731-4270) should be advised of speeding vehicles

**COMMERCIAL VEHICLES**

**Ref: Bylaw # 81.2 Traffic Bylaw**

Lakeshore Drive is a residential street & parking of commercial vehicles on the street is not permitted except for pickup & delivery services

**MUNICIPAL RESERVES**

**Ref: Bylaw # 72.1 Zoning Bylaw**

Municipal Reserves are not to be used for storage of vehicles and/or equipment. Slips for boat lifts & docks on Municipal Reserves must be registered at the Village office. Contact the office for an application form. The yearly cost of a boat slip is \$20

**PUBLIC BEACH AREA – A MUNICIPAL RESERVE**

Residents & guests are encouraged to use the designated public beach areas in a safe & respectful manner. The swimming area in MR4 is outlined by white markers (buoys). Watercraft are not permitted within this restricted area & swimmers are encouraged to stay within these buoys. Camping, camp fires & fish cleaning are not permitted in this area. Glass containers are discouraged in an effort to reduce the hazards of broken glass. Pets are not permitted unless on leash as explained in Bylaw # 74. **Note: Please pickup & dispose of your pet's waste in a responsible manner**

### WATERCRAFT LAUNCHING

Access to the boat launch in MR4 is restricted to the use by Kannata Valley residents & their guests. Boat launch users are encouraged to return empty boat trailers to their properties for parking. Parking at the boat launch is prohibited

### WATERCRAFT OPERATION

Ref: Safe Boating Guide: Canadian Coast Guard 1-800-267-6687  
[info@boatexam.com](mailto:info@boatexam.com) 1-866-668-2628

All operators of power boats must have a **PLEASURE CRAFT OPERATOR CARD** in their presence as proof of operator competency **IT IS THE LAW** Watercraft speed limit is 10km/h within 30 meters of the shore. Report any unsafe watercraft operation to **RCMP 306-731-4270**

### CAMPING

Tenting, camping & RV parking are strictly prohibited on all Municipal Reserves. Campfires are restricted to private property under restricted conditions

### REFUSE TRANSFER STATION (RTS)

Ref: Bylaw # 75.1 Refuse Management  
Chapter E10-2 Reg 4 The Municipal Refuse Management Regulation

**SMALL RED BINS** – for disposal of kitchen waste only

**SMALL BLUE BINS** – for disposal of recyclable products. This is a single stream recycling program (details at Village office)

**Access to small bins is through the man-gate 24/7/365. Keys are issued at Village office**

**LARGE RED ROLLUP BINS** – the vehicular gate is open summers from May 1 to Sept.30 from 10AM – noon on Sat., Sun. & holiday Mondays. **Winter operation** from Oct.1 to Apr.30 is open only on Sat. from 10AM – noon

### POLICY RE: MANAGEMENT OF VEGETATION

**Objective: to accept all vegetation (Trees, leaves, grass clippings & garden by-product) at the RTS as follows:**

#### **1. ALL SPECIES OF TREES & SHRUBS EXCEPT ELM TREES**

- a. Branches that are less than 4 inches in diameter must be stockpiled in the designated area for such products. Once these branches have been mulched, the resulting mulch would be made available to residents
- b. Trunks & roots larger than 4 inches in diameter must be de-branched & cut into manageable lengths & stacked in the large rollup bins

#### **2. ALL ELM SPECIES OF TREES**

- a. All healthy elm trunks, roots & branches regardless of the type (American, Manchurian, etc.) must be stockpiled in a designated area for **elm products only**. All branches, trunks & roots must be cut into lengths that can be handles by one person. When appropriate, the RTS operator will have these elm products disposed of in a manner approved by the Ministry of Environment.
- b. Diseased elm trees must be cut down & disposed of at an approved disposal site. If you suspect that you have a diseased or distressed elm tree, advise the Village office so we can have a sample tested.

#### **3. GRASS CLIPPINGS, LEAVES & GARDEN BY-PRODUCTS**

- a. Deposit all leaves, grass clippings & garden by-products into large rollup bins. Note: composting is considered unacceptable since elm tree leaves may be mixed in with other species of leaves with the risk of spreading Dutch Elm Disease.
- b. You are welcome to empty the leaves into the bins & retain your plastic bags for reuse – this to be even more environmentally friendly – **THINK GREEN biodegradable bags are now available at many retail stores**

## OPERATING POLICY – KV REFUSE TRANSFER STATION

1. **Refuse permitted for deposit into the large roll-off bins:**
  - a. By-products from construction projects in limited quantities i.e. insulation, lumber, plywood, shingles, siding, etc. **NOTE: products from a building demolition are not permitted without prior approval from the RTS operator**
  - b. Disassembled non bulky furniture
  - c. Porcelain toilets, plastics that are not recyclable, PVC, etc.
  - d. **NOTE: Paint & electronics are now accepted at SARCAN locations**
2. **Prohibited Refuse:**
  - a. Refrigerators, stoves, dishwashers, hot water heaters, furnaces, air conditioners
  - b. Mattresses, sofas, chairs, household furniture, lawn furniture & other refuse deemed to be bulky & over-sized by the RTS operator
  - c. Propane, gasoline, oil & other combustibles and/or their containers
  - d. Pesticides, insecticides, herbicides, chemicals and/or their containers
  - e. Equipment (vehicles, boats, trailers) bodies & frames
  - f. All types of vehicular tires, including tires used a boat dock bumpers
  - g. Sewage

## PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT

Ref: Zoning, building & planning bylaws  
The Planning & Development Act, 2007

1. **A property development permit** is required *prior to starting any type of development work* i.e. excavation or fill, retaining wall, removal of trees, shoreline alteration, etc.
2. **A building permit** is required *prior to relocation or construction of a residence, boat house, garage =, deck, storage shed, etc.*
3. **A demolition permit** is required *prior to demolition of any building*  
Property development, building & demolition permit application forms are available at the Village office or on the website: [www.kannatavalley.com](http://www.kannatavalley.com)  
The following information may be required with an application for a permit:
  - a. A geo-technical report prior to the construction of a new residence, addition to a residence, retaining wall, accessory building where such a building acts as an earth retaining wall & where any excavation or fill on private property is to occur
  - b. Site plan locating the development & clearances between buildings & property lines
  - c. Floor plans of proposed buildings indicating sizes & features
  - d. Building foundation design & plan stamped by a qualified engineer for residences & accessory buildings where such buildings act as an earth retaining wall
  - e. Building elevations indicating heights & exterior finishes
  - f. Estimated cost of construction and/or development

## DRAINAGE & NATURAL RUNOFF

Ref: The Water Corporation Act

The act states "*if water is diverted, responsibility for any damage is assumed by the person causing the diversion*"

## TRAILERS

Ref: Bylaw # 76.1 Trailer Bylaw

Trailer coaches in the front yard of a private property are restricted to periods of less than 30 days. Trailer coaches are permitted to be stored in a side or rear yard of private property. A **Trailer Occupancy Permit** is required where a trailer is to be used as a temporary dwelling unit during the construction of a single detached dwelling on the same property

**WATER UTILITY**

Ref: **Bylaw # 79.2 Waterworks Bylaw**

Water for the Village is provided from a well located approximately 1 km. east of the booster station. The artesian well provides flow to the booster station via a 4" pipeline. In the booster station, the raw water is pumped up to the water treatment plant, where it is treated & stored in two 26,000 gallon reservoirs. Pumps distribute the water along a 4" pipeline for the entire length of Lakeshore Drive. Property owners are supplied from the main line through a 1" hose connected to a **curbstop** (shutoff valve) generally located on the front yard property line. The Village is responsible for repairs **up to** the curbstop. The curbstop is owned by the property owner & any repairs to the curbstop & beyond the property line are at the expense of the property owner. Water quality is monitored by daily testing as required by the Sask. Water Security Agency.

**SHORELINE MODIFICATIONS**

Ref: **Section 35(1), 38(4) & 38(5) Fisheries Act  
Section 36(1) Environmental Management & Protection Act**

***"it is unlawful to conduct any work or undertaking that results in the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat"*** (Fisheries Act) it is also unlawful to deposit any deleterious substance into the waters frequented by fish. A **Shoreline Alteration Permit** from Sask. Environment is required prior to commencement of any work on the private property that bounds with the shoreline (Crown Land) i.e. boat houses, retaining walls, relocation of rocks, etc. Project approval must also be obtained from Fisheries & Oceans Canada prior to starting work.

**Contacts:** Fisheries & Oceans Canada: Prairie Region: Regina District 306-780-8729  
Sask. Environment: Conservation Officer: Rowan's Ravine Field Area 306-725-5206

**SEWAGE DISPOSAL**

Ref: **Bylaw # 78 Sewage Bylaw  
The Water Corporation Act**

Each resident must have a 1000 gallon holding tank which complies with Provincial regulations. All new tanks must be inspected by Sask Health prior to ground cover. Outdoor toilets are permitted if they comply with Provincial regulations. Plumbing systems must drain all waste water into the holding tank. **NOTE:** this includes "grey" water from showers, bathtubs & sinks.

**VIOLATIONS**

Ref: **Bylaw # 65 Penalty Bylaw**

Any individual found guilty of an infraction of a bylaw of the Municipality may be liable to a fine, as determined by the penalty bylaw.