

## BYLAW NO. 2191-25

BEING A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF STETTLER, TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF PARKS AND CAMPGROUNDS.

WHEREAS THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, RSA 2000, c. M-26 ENABLES COUNCIL OF A MUNICIPALITY TO PASS BYLAWS RESPECTING PEOPLE AND THE PROTECTION AND PROPERTY, ACTIVITIES AND THINGS IN, ON, OR NEAR A PUBLIC PLACE

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF STETTLER, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

### SECTION 1 – SHORT TITLE

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be cited as the “Parks and Campground Bylaw.”

### SECTION 2 - DEFINITIONS

In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 2.1 **“TOWN”** means the Town of Stettler.
- 2.2 **“CAO”** means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Town.
- 2.3 **“PARK”** means land owned or controlled by the Town that is now or hereafter established, dedicated, set apart or designated, specified or made available for use by the public as a park, campsite or picnic site, and includes any and all improvements situated thereon or therein.
- 2.4 **“CAMPGROUND”** means that portion of a park designated as a site on which daytime or overnight Camping is permitted.
- 2.5 **“CAMPING”** includes staying overnight in a Camping Unit or under the open sky.
- 2.6 **“CAMPSITE”** means an identified space within a Campground that has been registered and paid for by an individual/group for a defined period of time.
- 2.7 **“PUBLIC RESERVE”** means those lands that are dedicated and deeded to the Town as provided for and ascribed by the Planning Act of the Province of Alberta.
- 2.8 **“HIGHWAY, VEHICLE, MOTOR VEHICLE, and MOTORBIKCYCLE”** shall respectively have the same meaning as are ascribed to them in the Highway Traffic Act.
- 2.9 **“BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER”** shall be appointed by Town as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer, who shall have the authority of a peace officer only with respect to the enforcement of the bylaws of the Town.
- 2.10 **“QUIET HOURS”** shall mean that time between 11:00 pm (2300 hours) and 8:00 am (800 hours) when a Campground shall be free of any excessive noise that should disrupt people sleeping.
- 2.11 **“PARK ATTENDANT”** is an individual or group hired by the Town of Stettler to monitor activities in the campground from time to time.
- 2.12 **“ANIMAL”** means any creature not human.
- 2.13 **“CAMPING UNIT”** shall mean:
  - a) a tent
  - b) a trailer
  - c) a tent trailer
  - d) a motor home

e) a van or

f) a truck camper

used by a person as shelter equipment while Camping.

### **SECTION 3 – GENERAL PROVISIONS**

3.1 No person shall, while in a Park, Campground or Public Reserve:

- a) Injure, harm, destroy, damage or deface in any way or tamper with anything in such Park, Campground or Public Reserve including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, trees, shrubs, hedges, flowers, lawn, buildings, plumbing, heat or light fixtures, walls, fences, gates, signs, benches, playground equipment, exhibits, wildlife and included all improvements situated thereon or therein.
- b) Enter any area posted as a prohibited area for either motor vehicles, campers or pedestrians unless otherwise authorized by the CAO or duly authorized representative.
- c) Swear or use obscene, offensive or insulting language, fight, be found intoxicated or conduct himself in a disorderly manner.
- d) Start a fire, except in fireplaces provided by the Town for such purposes and except in a barbecue or other portable fire appliance in an area of such Park and Campground specifically designated for such purpose.
- e) Cause, permit or allow any livestock or a domestic animal owned by him/her or under his/her control to be in such park or campground, other than a dog or cat, such dog or cat shall be on a leash at all times, and the owner shall be responsible for said dog or cat as per Bylaws 2049-14 (Cat Bylaw) and 2050-14 (Dog Bylaw).
- f) Contravene any posted or printed regulations governing its use.

3.2 No person shall cause, permit or allow any other person under his/her control to do anything prohibited by this Bylaw.

3.3 Nothing in this Bylaw shall prevent any employee or agent of the Town from performing his/her lawful duties.

3.4 No person shall litter as specifically stated in the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act.

3.5 No person shall:

- a) Use or operate any radio, television or other music reproduction system in such a manner as to interfere with or lessen the use of enjoyment of the Park and Campground by any other person.
- b) Discharge any fireworks or related similar apparatus without acquiring direct written consent from CAO or duly authorized representative, including any applicable permits, when necessary, that may apply.

3.6 No person shall, while in the Park, Campground or Public Reserve without permission of the CAO or duly authorized representative in writing:

- a) Be allowed to conduct business in a park, campground, public reserve and/or boulevard without a Town of Stettler Business License.

- b) Remove any trees, hedges, ornaments, fixtures or structures specifically stated in Section 3, subsection 3.1 a).
  - c) Make a public address or demonstration or otherwise act in such a manner as to cause a public gathering or attract public attention.
- 3.7 The CAO at his/her discretion may regulate in any manner the use of all highways within Parks, Campgrounds or Public Reserves and except registered highways, may cause such highways to be closed.
- 3.8 The CAO may from time to time and for such periods of time as he/she considers necessary for the protection of the Park, Campground or Public Reserve, close such area or portion thereof to the use of the public.

#### **SECTION 4 - CAMPING**

- 4.1 No person shall camp overnight in a park or recreation area except in an area designated for that purpose, unless a person is otherwise authorized by a Park Attendant.
- 4.2 All campers must register/pay using the self-registration system provided before taking up a campsite.
- 4.3 No person shall alter a camping permit.
- 4.4 No person shall transfer a camping permit to another person.
- 4.5 Only one camping unit and one additional tent is allowed per site.
- 4.6 Quiet hours are in effect from 11:00 pm (2300 hours) and 8:00 am (800 hours) every day of the week.
- 4.7 No open liquor is permitted off the campsite.
- 4.8 Speed limit within the park is 20 km/hour. All signs must be obeyed.
- 4.9 The Park Attendant may use his/her discretion to refuse admittance to any patron or may request patrons to leave the park, when an infraction of the Town of Stettler Bylaw occurs.
- 4.10 All campers are required to abide by the current fee structure that exists for campsites, serviced, un-serviced and overflow.
- 4.11 Overflow camping is designated by the Park Attendant and all camping units are required to pay as per fee structure for an overflow spot.
- 4.12 On expiry or cancellation of a camping permit, the permit holder shall vacate the campsite and remove all shelter, equipment and other property and ensure the site is left in a clean and orderly manner.

#### **SECTION 5 - POWERS OF THE BYLAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

- 5.1 For the purposes of administering this Bylaw, the Bylaw Enforcement Officer and/or the RCMP may:
- a) Enter on and inspect any land, road, highway, structure or work in a Park, Campground or Public Reserve.
  - b) Order any person in a Park, Campground or Public Reserve to cease or refrain from any action, omission, or conduct that in the opinion of the Officer is dangerous to life or property or detrimental to the use and enjoyment of the area by other persons.
  - c) Remove from a Park, Campground or Public Reserve:
    - i) any person making an unauthorized use of the area

- ii) any person failing to comply with any provisions of this Bylaw,  
or
- iii) any person creating a nuisance or disturbance or committing  
a trespass or any undesirable act, by force if necessary.

## **SECTION 6 - PENALTIES**

- 6.1 Any person who contravenes a provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offense and upon summary conviction is liable to a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor in excess of \$1000.00.
- 6.2 In addition to the foregoing penalties, any person who breaches the provisions of this bylaw or who breaches a law of Canada or the Province of Alberta in or about a public facility, is also subject to any or all of the following sanctions:
  - (a) eviction from the Park, Campground or Public Reserve in which the breach occurred;
  - (b) suspension from entering or using the facilities of the Park, Campground or Public Reserve in which the breach occurred;
  - (c) suspension from entering or using any other Parks, Campgrounds or Public Reserves.

This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on Final reading thereof.

READ a First time this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 2025.

READ a Second time this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 2025.

READ a Third and Final time this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 2025.

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Mayor

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Assistant CAO

**SCHEDULE "A"**  
**PENALTIES**

	<b>OFFENCE</b>	<b>FIRST OFFENCE</b>	<b>SECOND OFFENCE</b>	<b>THIRD OFFENCE</b>
Section 3.1 a)	Injure, damage, destroy or remove trees, shrubs, hedges, flowers, lawn.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.1 a)	Damage, deface in any way or tamper with buildings, plumbing, heat or light fixtures, walls, fences, gates, signs, benches, playground equipment, exhibits.	\$200	\$500	\$1000
Section 3.1 a)	Disturbing wildlife in a park.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.1 b)	Driving an unauthorized vehicle in a park.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.1 c)	Swearing or use of obscene, offensive or insulting language, fighting, intoxication or disorderly conduct	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.1 d)	Starting a fire, except in fireplaces provided by the Town for such purposes and except in a barbecue or other portable fire appliance in an area of such Park and Campground specifically designated for such purpose.	\$200	\$500	\$1000
Section 3.1 f)	Contravene any posted or printed regulations governing the use of a Park, Campground or Public Reserve.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.2	Allowing another to breach the bylaw	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.5 a)	Operating any radio, television, or other music reproduction system in such a manner as to interfere with or lessen the use of enjoyment of the Park and Campground	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.5 b)	Discharging fireworks or related similar apparatus without acquiring direct written consent from CAO	\$200	\$500	\$1000
Section 3.6 a)	Conducting business without a license and permission.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 3.6 c)	Make a public address or demonstration or otherwise act in such a manner as to cause a public gathering or attract public attention.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.1	Unauthorized camping overnight in a park or recreation area.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.2	Camping without registering or paying.	\$100	\$250	\$500

Section 4.3	Altering a camping permit.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.4	Transferring a camping permit.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.5	Camping with more than one camping unit in a campsite.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.6	Not adhering to campground quiet hours.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.7	Possession of open liquor outside of campsite.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.8	Not following posted speed limit(s).	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.9	Failure to leave after request by a Park Attendant.	\$200	\$500	\$1000
Section 4.12	Not vacating campsite as per posted time.	\$100	\$250	\$500
Section 4.12	Not removing all shelter, equipment and other property and ensuring the site is left in a clean and orderly manner upon vacating.	\$100	\$250	\$500