

## **Bylaw No. 09-2018**

### A BYLAW TO CONTROL AND REGULATE OPEN AIR FIRE PITS

The Council of The Town of Saltcoats, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

#### 1. TITLE

This Bylaw may be cited as "The Fire Pit Bylaw"

#### 2. DEFINITION:

(a) "open air fire pit" means any temporary or permanently affixed outdoor fire receptacle.

(b) This Bylaw does not pertain to completely enclosed fireboxes or those with burners fuelled by propane or another fuel source, that does not emit sparks or embers.

#### 3. REGULATIONS

The regulations governing the use of open air fire pits are in place to ensure the safety of residents, prevent fires and minimize the nuisance to neighbours.

No person shall set, cause or allow to be set, an open-air fire within the Town of Saltcoats without first having obtained a permit from the Town Office, in the form of Appendix "A".

Permits will be issued on an annual basis and will be in effect from January 1 to December 31 of each year.

**The cost of the annual permit is \$20.00 per address.**

- a. Fire pits cannot be used between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.
- b. The fire must be contained in a non-combustible receptacle made of cement, brick, clay or sheet metal with a minimum 18-gauge thickness.
- c. The fire box must be covered with heavy gauge metal screen with openings not larger than 13 millimetres (1/2 inch) to contain sparks.
- d. The fire box must not exceed .75 metres (30 inches) in any dimension.
- e. The fire pit must be located a minimum of 3 metres (10 feet) from any combustible material, such as buildings, porches and decks.
- f. Fire pits cannot be placed on combustible decks or apartment balconies.
- g. Fire pits must be situated on a non-combustible surface.
- h. Fire pits shall be clear of overhangs, such as tree branches, utility lines and structures.
- i. Fire pits must be supervised by an adult at all times while in use.

j. Any person who uses a fire pit shall have a means of extinguishing the fire readily accessible at all times (i.e. sand, fire extinguisher).

k. Materials that are prohibited from being burned in a fire pit include (but not limited to):

- i) waste materials such as general rubbish, household garbage,
- ii) manure, livestock or animal carcasses, leather or any other biological waste
- iii) pressed wood products and composites containing adhesives (with the exception of densified firelogs or pellets) such as particle-board, corkboard, chipboard, plywood, fibre-board, laminant wood products,
- iv) dimensional lumber or wood products that are pressure treated, stain-coated, varnished or resin coated, painted, or otherwise treated with wood preservative, or contain metal or plastic attachments,
- v) construction materials such as electrical wiring, asphalt, shingles, wall or ceiling paneling, insulation, cardboard,
- vi) tailings, leaves, or grass clippings, garden refuse or scrap,
- vii) hazardous material or dangerous goods,
- viii) plastics including styrofoam, plastic bags, film or sheeting, foam rubber, and fibreglass,
- ix) rubber including rubber tires
- x) hydrocarbons including used lubricants

l. Fire pits must be extinguished if smoke causes an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property.

m. Fire pits shall not be used in windy conditions.

n. In the event a Fire Ban is issued, the use of fire pits may be prohibited.


o. Any complaints or concerns will be handled through bylaw enforcement and any person who is found guilty of a violation or in contravention of this bylaw may have their permit revoked and are subject to a penalty as per Bylaw No. 3-2004 General Penalties Bylaw.

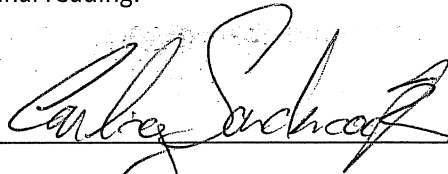
#### 4. REPEAL

Bylaw No. 07-2017 is hereby repealed.

Effective Date

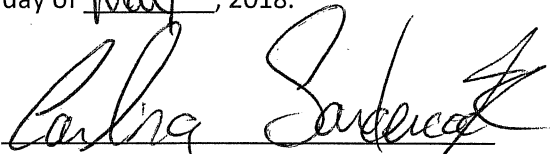
This bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon third and final reading.

  
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Mayor

  
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Administrator

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No. ~~07-2017~~<sup>09-2018</sup>  
adopted by resolution of council on the ~~16<sup>th</sup>~~<sup>16<sup>th</sup></sup>  
day of May, 2018.



  
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Administrator

Appendix "A"  
Town of Saltcoats  
Fire Permit Application

Date:

Applicant:

Mailing Address:

Civic Address:

Legal Land Description: \_\_\_\_\_ Lot \_\_\_\_\_ Block \_\_\_\_\_ Plan

I agree to follow the Town of Saltcoats Bylaw 09-2018 regarding the use of a fire pit on my property:

\_\_\_\_\_ fire pit will not be used between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m.

\_\_\_\_\_ fire will be contained in a non-combustible receptacle made of cement, brick, clay or sheet metal with a minimum of 18-gauge thickness

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire box will be covered with heavy gauge metal screen with opening not larger than 13 millimetres (1/2 inch) to contain sparks

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire box does not exceed .75 metres (30 inches) in any dimension

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire pit is located a minimum of three metres (10 feet) away from any combustible material, such as buildings, porches and decks

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire pit is situated on a non-combustible surface

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire pit is clear of overhands, such as tree branches, utility lines and structures

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire pit will be supervised by an adult at all times while in use

\_\_\_\_\_ there is a means of extinguishing the fire which is readily accessible at all times

\_\_\_\_\_ no prohibited materials will be burnt in the fire pit

\_\_\_\_\_ the fire will be extinguished immediately if smoke causes an unreasonable interference with the use and enjoyment of another person's property

\_\_\_\_\_ the use of the fire pit will not occur in the event of a Fire Ban in the town.

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Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Issuer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

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Date

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