

**CAMPING BYLAW # 222**

**(CONSOLIDATED)**

**As amended by Bylaw #13-05**

All fee schedules attached to and forming part of this bylaw are hereby repealed,  
and all references to fees and charges in the this bylaw are replaced by  
references to the Fees and Charges Bylaw

BYLAW # 222

A Bylaw to regulate overnight camping and parking within the City of Dawson.

WHEREAS Section 137 (1) Chapter 10 of the Municipal Ordinance (1972 First Session) provides that the Council of the City of Dawson may pass Bylaws for the peace, order and good government of the City of Dawson, and

WHEREAS the Council of the City of Dawson deems it desirable to regulate overnight camping and parking within the City of Dawson,

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Dawson in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Short Title

This Bylaw may be cited as the "Camping Bylaw".

2. Interpretation

In this Bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires,

- (1) "Camper" means a vehicle or part of a vehicle suitable to provide temporary living accommodation for one or more persons, whether or not the vehicle is designed and intended to provide such accommodation, and whether or not the vehicle or part of a vehicle is self-propelled, towed, carried, or forms an integral part of or is an addition to another vehicle.
- (2) "City" means the City of Dawson.
- (3) "Council" means the duly elected Council of the City of Dawson.
- (4) "Manager" means the duly appointed Manager of the City of Dawson.
- (5) "Tent" means a portable or moveable shelter, partially or fully enclosed, partially or wholly assembled or constructed out of canvas, cloth, synthetic material, wood or like materials suitable to provide temporary accommodation for one or more persons, whether or not the said shelter is designed or intended to provide such accommodation.

3. Campers

- (1) Campers shall not be used for the purpose of temporary accommodation in any area of the City which is not licensed under the provisions of the Business License Bylaw or has been designated by a resolution of Council as a campground.
- (2) The manager or any duly appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officer of the City, may request the owner or occupier of a camper located within the City to move the camper to a licensed or designated campground in the City or to move said camper outside the City Limits, if he or she has reasonable ground to believe that the said camper is intended to be used for the purpose of temporary accommodation by any person.
- (3) Notwithstanding any provision of this Bylaw, a camper may be used for temporary accommodation in a residential area of the City, provided the said camper is not parked partially or fully on any public road, street, lane, or sidewalk, and provided the manager or Bylaw Enforcement Officer has been satisfied that the camper is parked on such property with the full knowledge and approval of the owner of the said property.

- (4) A verbal communication to the manager or Bylaw Enforcement Officer by the owner of a property not licensed or designated to be a campground, on which a camper is to be used for the purpose of providing temporary accommodation for one or more persons shall be deemed proof for the purpose of Section 3 (4) of this Bylaw.

#### 4. Tents

- (1) Tents shall not be used for the purpose of temporary accommodation in any area of the City which is not licensed under the provisions of the Business License Bylaw or has been designated by a resolution of Council as a campground.
- (2) The manager or any duly appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officer of the City may request the owner or occupier of a tent located within the City to move the tent to a licensed or designated campground in the City or to move the said tent outside the City Limits.
- (3) The manager or duly appointed Bylaw Enforcement Officer of the City may remove any tent, including any objects within the tent, if he or she is unable to determine or locate the owner of the said tent and contents and if the said tent and contents are not located within a licensed or designated campground.
- (4)
  - (a) Any tent and contents seized pursuant to Section 4 (3) of this Bylaw shall be stored by the City for a period not less than 90 days or until the said tent and contents are redeemed pursuant to Section 3 (4) (b) of this Bylaw by a person claiming ownership of said tent and contents.
  - (b) A removal fee of \$20.00 and a storage fee of \$2.00 for any 24 hour period or portion thereof shall be paid to the City by a person claiming ownership of a tent and contents prior to the redemption of a tent and contents seized pursuant to Section 4 (3) of this Bylaw.
  - (c) The City may dispose of any tent and content seized pursuant to Section 4 (3) of this Bylaw and not redeemed pursuant to Section 4 (4) (a) in any manner deemed expedient by the City.
- (5)
  - (a) Notwithstanding any provision of this Bylaw, a tent may be located in a residential area of thi City, provided the tent is not wholly or partially on any road, street, lane or sidewalk and provided the said tent is located with the full knowledge and consent of the owner of said property.
  - (b) Verbal communication to the manager or Bylaw Enforcement Officer by the owner of residential property on which a tent in located for the purpose of temporary accommodation for one or more persons shall be deemed approval for the purpose of Section 4 (5) (a) of this Bylaw.

#### 5. General Provisions

- (1) No person shall interfere with, hinder or molest the manager or Bylaw Enforcement Officer in the performance of his or her duties pursuant to this Bylaw.
- (2) No action shall lie against the manager or Bylaw Enforcement Officer or any other person acting under the authority of this Bylaw for damages to or loss of any property seized under the authority of this Bylaw.

- (3) If any part of this Bylaw shall be held void by ruling of a Court of Law, such part shall be deemed severable and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Bylaw.

6. Penalties

Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding \$500.00 plus cost, or, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months.

7. Enactment

The provisions of this Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the passing thereof.

READ a first time, this 19th day of May, 1976.

READ a second time, this 2nd day of June, 1976.

READ a third time and finally passed this 2nd day of June, 1976.

Y. Becklund  
Mayor

[Signature]  
City Manager

CITY OF DAWSON

**Policy #21**

**Campsite Policy**

**PURPOSE**

To provide for the temporary designation and use of campsites within the City of Dawson in accordance with Sections 3(1) and 4(1) of Bylaw 222.

**POLICY STATEMENT**

1. The CAO or his designate is hereby authorized to designate temporary campsites within the City of Dawson and to approve the use of those temporary sites.
2. The CAO or his designate will advise Council of designated sites approved.

Approved by Council this 7th day of July, 1997.

  
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Mayor Glen Everitt