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**TOWN OF BIG RIVER  
BYLAW NO. 2021-03**

**A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF BIG RIVER, IN THE PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN,  
TO REGULATE RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRES AND FIREWORKS.**

The Council of the Town of Big River, in the Province of Saskatchewan, under the Authority of *The Municipalities Act*, *The Fire Prevention Act*, and *The Fire Safety Act* and *The National Fire Code of Canada*, hereby enacts as follows:

1. SHORT TITLE

This Bylaw maybe cited as the "Fire Prevention Bylaw".

2. DEFINITIONS

In this Bylaw:

- (a) "Approval" means the written approval of the Fire Chief, Mayor or other designated official of the municipality.
- (b) "Fire Chief" means the appointed Chief of the Big River and District Volunteer Fire Department, or such other person or persons designated by the Fire Chief .
- (c) "Permit" means the written authority of the Fire Chief or Mayor or other designated official of the municipality issued pursuant to this Bylaw.

3. RECREATIONAL CAMPFIRES

No fires of any kind during a fire ban.

Recreational campfires shall be permitted within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Big River provided that the following guidelines are adhered to:

- (a) The fire must be at least three meters (9.8 feet) away from any building, combustible material and the property line.
- (b) The fire shall be located well clear of any buildings, fences, trees or any other combustible item and such that the smoke path shall not endanger any of the said items of ignition and further fire hazard due to sparks.
- (c) The fire must be enclosed in:
  - a fire pit made from bricks, concrete blocks, rocks, heavy sheet metal or non-combustible material; or
  - an approved design above-ground fireplace or barbeque type receptacle; and

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- spark arrestor mesh screen with an opening not exceeding 13 mm (0.5 includes).
- (d) A competent person shall be in control of the fire at all times until it is extinguished.
- (e) A means of fire control shall be at ready access at all times, (i.e... fire extinguisher, garden hose, etc.) during the fire.
- (f) The fire shall only be fueled with wood and kindling.
- (g) The fire pit must not cause nuisance to others.
- (h) Each resident shall notify the municipal office if they have a campfire area established and the area may be inspected by the Fire Chief, or fire department designate for approval.
- (i) The Fire Department may determine if an inspection fee is in order and what amount.

#### 4. DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS

No fireworks of any kind during a fireban.

- (a) No person shall discharge any fireworks in a manner that would create a danger or nuisance to any other person or property.
- (b) No person shall discharge any fireworks into or onto any public place and no person being the owner or occupant of any premises shall permit any fireworks to be discharged into or onto any public place without first obtaining a permit (Schedule "A").
- (c) No person shall discharge any low hazard fireworks and no person being the owner or occupant of any premises shall permit any low hazard fireworks to be discharged except:
  - i) Between the hours of dusk and 11:00 p.m. on Victoria Day, Canada Day, or Labor Day; or
  - ii) Such other dates and times as indicated in the permit.
- (d) No person shall discharge any fireworks on a school site without the prior written consent of the Board of Education or School Division that owns the site, and without first obtaining a permit from the Town of Big River.
- (e) No person under eighteen (18) years of age shall discharge any fireworks.

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6. PENALTIES

Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction and may be fined in accordance with Town of Big River Bylaw No. 2011-02, General Penalty Bylaw, and charged in accordance with Schedule "A" of Bylaw No. 2021-02 of the Town of Big River.

7. Any amount which remains unpaid by the person referenced in Section 6 of this bylaw at the end of the calendar year, shall be applied to the taxes of the property in accordance with Subsection 369 of *The Municipalities Act*.

8. Bylaw No. 2000-06 is hereby ~~repealed~~



  
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Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Administrator

Read a first time this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.  
Read a second time this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.  
Read a third time and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

Certified A True Copy  
of Bylaw # 2021-03

  
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Town Administrator



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**SCHEDULE "A"**

**THE TOWN OF BIG RIVER  
PERMIT TO DISCHARGE FIREWORKS**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit is hereby issued to: \_\_\_\_\_

Residing at: \_\_\_\_\_

To discharge fireworks at the following location: \_\_\_\_\_

From the date hereof: \_\_\_\_\_

While competent and constant attendants are in charge of such fireworks to keep under control.

It is an express condition of this permit that the applicant, whose signature appears hereunder, shall be responsible for any injury or damage to person or property arising from the use of this permit.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Fire Chief