

FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

BYLAW NO. 1527, 2019

A bylaw to amend the regulations established by Animal Control Regulation
Bylaw No. 1206, 2013 for the Sub-Regional Animal Control Service Area

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of the Fraser Valley Regional District ("the Board") has deemed it advisable to amend *Fraser Valley Regional District Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 1206, 2013*, as amended.

THEREFORE the Board enacts as follows:

1) CITATION

This bylaw may be cited as the *Fraser Valley Regional District Sub-Regional Animal Control Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019*.

2) ENACTMENTS

That Fraser Valley Regional District Bylaw No. 1206, 2013 be amended by:

1. Adding the following definition under Part B - INTERPRETATION:
 "aggressively pursue or harass" means to persistently or repeatedly annoy or chase a person, a vehicle, or a domestic animal in what may be perceived as an aggressive manner or with intent to cause injury;
2. Under Part B – INTERPRETATION, adding the following clause at the end of the definition of **"enclosure"**:
 "For the purpose of this bylaw, an enclosure also includes a house from which the dog is not able to escape and is not able to cause injury to a person or animal located outside of the house."
3. Under Section 15, replacing *"Guide Animal Act"* with *"Guide Dog and Service Dog Act"*;
4. Under Section 16, replacing "A dog owner must not permit or allow the dog to howl or bark" with "A dog owner, must ensure the dog does not howl or bark:";

5. Deleting Section 17 and replacing it with the following:

"A dog owner must ensure the dog:

- a) is not at large;
- b) does not trespass on private property or within a public area defined by local zoning and other regulations as an area where dogs are not permitted;
- c) is kept under the immediate control of a competent person whenever the dog is on private land and is not sufficiently contained, either by a fence and a gate, an enclosure, or another effective containment mechanism;
- d) excluding designated off-leash areas, is not in a public place unless the dog is kept on a leash not exceeding three metres in length and is under the immediate control of a competent person;
- e) does not attack, bite, or cause injury to a person or domestic animal;
- f) does not aggressively pursue or harass a person, a vehicle, or a domestic animal; or
- g) does not kill a person or domestic animal."

6. Deleting Section 18 and replacing it with the following:

"The owner of a dog must ensure the dog does not defecate in a public place or on private property other than property owned or occupied by the dog owner, without immediately removing the excrement and disposing of it in a sanitary manner."

7. In Section 23, replacing "within 10 days" to "within 30 days";

8. Deleting Section 24 a) and 24 b) and replacing them with the following:

"The owner of an aggressive dog must:

- a) keep the dog securely confined in an enclosure; or
- b) ensure the dog is:
 - i. on a leash not exceeding three metres in length;
 - ii. under the immediate care and control of a competent person; and
 - iii. muzzled to prevent it from biting a person or other animal."

9. Deleting Section 35 and replacing it with the following:

"A person must ensure that, any livestock or poultry or animals typically requiring the presence of an aviary or apiary are not kept on any real property, except as permitted pursuant to all applicable zoning and other regulations."

10. Deleting Section 36 and replacing it with the following:

"An owner of livestock or poultry must ensure the livestock or poultry is not on public land or on the lands or premises of any person other than the owner, without consent of the landowner."

11. Deleting Section 39 and replacing it with the following:

"A person must ensure any species individual or any exotic animal is not at large."

3) **SEVERABILITY**

If a portion of this bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the bylaw will remain in effect.

4) **READINGS AND ADOPTION**

READ A FIRST TIME THIS _____ day of _____

READ A SECOND TIME THIS _____ day of _____

READ A THIRD TIME THIS _____ day of _____

ADOPTED THIS _____ day of _____

Chair/Vice-Chair

Corporate Officer/Deputy

5) **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of *Fraser Valley Regional District Sub-Regional Animal Control Regulations Amendment Bylaw No. 1527, 2019* as adopted by the Board of Directors of the Fraser Valley Regional District on the _____

Dated at Chilliwack, BC this _____

Corporate Officer/Deputy