



## Bylaw Information Update

The Village of Cumberland recognizes the importance of providing up-to-date information about new and existing Village bylaws that may affect Cumberland residents.

To keep citizens informed, the Village will be sending out periodic bylaw updates. These updates will highlight bylaws of note, and provide information on Village specific initiatives.

We hope you find some value in this information, and please contact Village staff if you have any questions or concerns.



Photo credit: <http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/louisiana-black-bear-and-garbage>

## NEW! STREETS AND TRAFFIC

The Streets and Traffic bylaw was last updated in 1970. The Village of Cumberland has grown and changed a lot since then. In January 2017 Council passed the new **Streets and Traffic Bylaw No. 951**. The Village would like to urge residents to review the new bylaw. There are many changes to keep our community healthy and safe.

Here are some key sections:

### PARKING

36 No person shall stop, stand (*car not in park but not moving*) or park a vehicle or any portion of a vehicle:

- (d) In any way to obstruct the free passage of traffic on a highway... as to leave less than 6 meters of road clear to drive.
- (f) within 6 meters of a stop sign.
- (i) within 5 meters of a fire hydrant.
- (v) against the flow of traffic for which that side of the highway is intended to operate.

48 No vehicle shall be left standing:

- (a) in a position that causes it to interfere with the normal flow of traffic on the highway

*No stopping or parking that obstructs traffic, too close to a stop sign or fire hydrant, or against the flow of traffic.*

37 No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle or a trailer on any highway without proper or valid number plate, including validation decals.

*No parking unlicensed vehicles.*

### TRAILERS

43 No person shall leave or park a trailer or recreational vehicle on a highway (*including boulevards*) unless it is attached to a vehicle except:

- (a) Contractor trailers parked not more than 72 hours consecutively within 40 metres of an active construction site.
- (b) Recreational vehicles/trailers (*Section 45*) parked for not more than 48 hours and within 20 meters of the owner's destination property for loading/unloading.

44 No person shall leave any trailer on the highway, whether attached to a motor vehicle or not, for longer than 72 hours.

*Trailers and RVs can only be parked on public property for a limited time, in certain locations, and for certain purposes.*





## BEARS and WILDLIFE

***The best way to keep wildlife wild and our families safe is by not allowing animals to become human-habituated.***

When wildlife becomes comfortable with humans, that's when problems happen. Wildlife should not be allowed access to human foods (including garbage), photographed/watched in close proximity, or allowed/encouraged to take up residence in populated areas or buildings.

Once wildlife becomes human-habituated it is often very difficult to get it to revert back to being fully wild. This often results in the destruction of the wildlife for safety reasons, especially in the case of bears and cougars.

Unlike most of Canada, many of our local bears do not truly hibernate in the winter months. That is why it is imperative that attractants be managed year-round to prevent human habituation.

One main way the Village tries to discourage bears from becoming human-habituated is by closely regulating solid waste with the **Solid Waste Bylaw No. 1003, 2014**.

## SOLID WASTE

9 Every owner of a premises served by a solid waste collection system must:

- (1) (e) store all garbage, organics and recyclable materials in an animal-proof location or in animal-resistant containers until the scheduled collection day,
- (l) set out for collection on the scheduled collection day by 8:00 a.m. and on no other day all garbage containers, organics containers and recycling containers.

*Store all waste items inside or in animal-proof containers until collection day. Items must be at the curb by 8 am on collection day.*

## ANIMAL CONTROL

**Animal Control Bylaw No. 893, 2011** was created to keep our pets and children safe and happy. The regulations below are designed to get lost pets back to their owners quickly.

4.3 An Owner shall not permit, suffer or allow a dog to be At Large (*off leash*).

*No dogs off leash, except in the dog park.*

5.1 No person shall possess or harbour an Unlicensed Dog within the boundaries of the Village.

*Village residents require Village dog licenses. Visiting dogs require owner information dog tags.*

**Note: 2017 dog licenses are available at the Village office.**

## SNOW AND ICE CONTROL

With the winter conditions now in full effect it's important for people to maintain the sidewalks in front of their property. Village of Cumberland Prevention of Public Nuisances Bylaw No. 870, 2007 states that:

7 (d) Every owner or occupier of real property within the Village abutting on any paved sidewalk shall remove and keep clear at all times all snow, ice and dirt from the paved sidewalk which abuts or fronts upon such building or land.

## UPCOMING CHANGES

Council will be reviewing the Fire Protection Bylaw, Municipal Ticket Information Bylaw and Animal Bylaw in winter/spring 2017.

**If you have any bylaw-related questions or concerns, please contact the Village of Cumberland at 250-336-2291 or email [info@cumberland.ca](mailto:info@cumberland.ca).**

**Full copies of the bylaws highlighted in this newsletter are available from the Village upon request. Electronic copies are available at [cumberland.ca](http://cumberland.ca).**

