

By-law No. 187
A By-law to Prevent Nuisances

The Council of the Town of Woodstock, under authority vested in it by Section 11 (1) of the Municipalities Act Chapter M-22, R.S.N.B., 1995 and amendments thereto enacts as follows:

1. Except as provided herein, no person shall go from door to door within the Town soliciting charity.
2. No person shall request a pedestrian on a street within the Town for help or aid or money.
3. The Council may, by resolution, appoint a commission to be known as the boxing and wrestling commission who shall have authority to control and regulate sparring exhibitions, boxing matches and wrestling matches with the Town.
4. No person shall hold any wrestling or boxing match within the Town unless the person is the holder of a permit therefor issued by the Chief Administrative Officer.
5. (1) No person shall, without permission of the Mayor or Chief Administrative Officer:
 - (a) place or cause to be placed in or upon any street, road, sidewalks, public parking area, ditch or watercourse within the town any manure, nightsoil, dirt, litter, offal or offensive substance;
 - (b) place or cause to be placed in or upon any ditch or watercourse within the town any glass, stone, wood metal, or rubbish tending to impede the flow of water in such ditch or water course.
 - (c) place or cause to be placed or permit or suffer to be placed in or upon any road, street, public parking area, sidewalk or footpath any substance the effect of which is to impede or in any way effect the usage of said road, street, sidewalk or footpath.

(2) The Chief Administrative Officer or any police officer of the Town may require any person who has violated the provisions of subsection (1) to remove anything placed or caused to be placed as aforesaid and in case of neglect or refusal to comply with such order or if the person committing such violation cannot be found, the Chief Administrative Officer may forthwith remove or destroy such thing or sell the same as the Chief Administrative Officer deems advisable and the expense of such removal or destruction shall be paid by such person in addition to any fine herein provided.
6. (1) No person shall knock on a door or ring a door bell of a residence within the Town for the purpose of annoying any person in such residence.

(2) no person shall either directly or indirectly demand or invoke the official services of any policeman or other officer of the Town where no reasonable cause exists for so doing.

(3) No person shall unnecessarily shout, sound a horn or make any noise or disturbance or cause or permit to be made any noise or disturbance or sing any boisterous or indecent song within the Town.

7. No person shall pull down, deface, mutilate, or cover over any public notice lawfully posted within one week after the posting thereof, without the consent of the person causing the same to be posted.

8. (1) No person shall loiter on any street, sidewalk or on the property of any church, hall, public building or place of resort within the Town.

(2) No person shall run in a reckless manner on any street, or in any way obstruct travel thereon.

(3) no person shall stand in a group or crowd on a street or sidewalk within the Town after having been requested by a police officer to disperse or move along such street.

(4) for the purpose of this by-law, "sidewalk" means: that portion of a highway or street between the curb lines or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent property lines set apart for the use of pedestrians, and includes any part of a highway set apart or marked as being for the exclusive use of pedestrians.

9. No person shall beat a drum, play any musical instrument or make any unusual or annoying sound or permit or cause to be made any unusual or annoying sound on any street within the Town, if requested by a police officer to desist therefrom because of the illness of any person residing in a house abutting on such street or for any other reason.

10. No person shall accost any other person passing along a street in the Town with the object of canvassing or inducing such person to purchase goods or merchandise, except newspapers, nor for the purpose of inducing such person to give or subscribe money for any purpose.

11. Notwithstanding anything contained in this by-law, a person may solicit money for charitable and religious purposes if the person has obtained permission from the Town council or designate authorizing such solicitation.

12. No person shall throw a stone, snowball or other missile on or into any street, or at any building.

13. No person shall coast or slide on a sled, toboggan, wagon, skateboard, roller blade, or other device on a street in the Town.

14. No person shall skate, or play any game of ball, hockey or other game on any street in the Town or ride a bicycle or similar vehicle upon any sidewalk or pathway in the Town except as herein provided. A manually operated bicycle may be ridden on designated pathways which are shared with pedestrians. Pedestrians have the right-of-way.

15. Every person who violates any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars and not more than one hundred dollars.

16. The chief administrative officer may delegate any duties which may be imposed by this by-law to such person as he/she shall deem appropriate provided such delegation is approved by the Town Council.

By-laws Repealed

By-law #58, a By-law to Prevent Nuisances, enacted on the 14th day of December, 1981, together with all amendments, are hereby repealed.

Read a first time this 16th day of October, 1996.

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Read a third time and enacted this 28th day of October, 1996.