## Frequently Asked Questions

#### Do I need to get a license for my dog?

The Town of Mayerthorpe requires your dog (s) to be licensed under The Town of Mayerthorpe Dog Control Bylaw. The fee is \$10.00 female/ male spayed/neutered and \$50.00 not female/ male spayed/neutered. Dog owners are to keep their dog on their own property unless under control with a leash by the owner or at an approved off leash facility.

### Do I need to get a license for my cat?

The Town of Mayerthorpe does not require your cat to be licensed under the Cat Bylaw. However, you can obtain a Cat Tag to ensure safe return if picked up by an Animal Control Officer. Cats that wander on to neighboring properties or public property can be picked up by Animal Control Officer .as they are considered to be stray.

# How many dogs is one household permitted to own?

Per Town Bylaws, a household is limited to owning two (2) dogs.

### My neighbor's dog is kept outside and it barks all night. What should I do to resolve this problem?

If you do not feel comfortable talking to your neighbor in person, call the Town Office and lodge a formal complaint. You will be required to pick up and fill out a Barking Dog Complaint Package, however your identity will be kept confidential. Once a complaint has been made, the Community Peace Officer will contact the dog owner informing them of the complaint and information on Bylaw 1104. If the dog continues to howl or otherwise disturb the neighborhood, the dog owner may be fined between \$200, first offence and \$400 second and subsequent offences.

# For More Information

### Town of Mayerthorpe

### **Community Peace Officer**

4911—52nd Street P.O. Box 420 Mayerthorpe, AB T0E 1N0 Phone: (780) 786-2416 Fax: (780) 786-4590 bylaw@mayerthorpe.ca

> Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.





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# ANIMAL CONTROL

**Keeping you informed!** 



### **DOG LICENCES**

Every person who resides within the borders of the Town and being the Owner of a Dog, shall obtain a license on the first day that the Town Office is open for business after the Dog becomes six (6) months of age and thereafter shall between the first (1st) and thirty first (31st) day of January in each year, pay the License Fee as set out in Schedule 'A: of the bylaw, and obtain a License Tag for each Dog for the current year commencing on the first day of January, by applying to the Town Office.

### Dog License Fees

- 1. Annual fee for spayed female or neutered male dog \$ 10.00
- 2. Annual fee for any dog NOT spayed or neutered \$ 50.00
- 3. "See Eye Dog" for persons requiring this assistance \$ 0.00
- 4. Lost Tag replacement

\$ 5.00

- 5. Seniors rate-over 65 (spayed/neutered dogs only) \$ 5.00
- 6. Vicious Dog License (must provide proof of insurance) \$500.00

### PETS RUNNING AT LARGE

Every owner of a dog, and every person having responsibility for or custody of a dog whether or not that person is the owner, shall ensure that such dog is not at any time Running at Large in Town.

### **ANIMAL WASTE**

Dog owners must not allow their dog (s) to cause "Damage to Public or Private Property" which include defecating or urinating on such property.

A person whose dog upsets waste receptacles or scatters the contents thereof, either in or about premises not belonging to or in possession of the person of the dog is guilty of an offence . In addition to any penalty imposed upon them, be civilly liable to the Town of Mayerthorpe for any expenses directly or indirectly incurred by it in connection with the receptacle being upset or the waste being scattered about

# PETS, PARKS, AND PUBLIC LANDS

The Town may designate areas where a dog may be exercised while not restrained by a Leash. No owner or person having responsibility for or custody of a dog may exercise a dog in an offleash area while not restrained by a Leash unless:

- (i) the Dog is under the control of a person of at least 18 year of age; and
- (ii) the Dog is not a Vicious Dog or Nuisance Dog.

The provisions of this Bylaw apply, with all necessary modifications, to an off-leash area. While in an off-leash area, a person shall use the land in accordance with any sign or signs which have been posted setting out the days, times and manner in which a person is permitted to use the off-leash area.

The designated Off Leash Park is located at the Mayerthorpe Sports Grounds.

### POUND

The Pound Keeper shall:

(i) report any apparent illness, communicable disease, injury or unhealthy condition of any dog to a veterinarian and act upon his recommendations and the owner, if known, shall be responsible for all charges resulting there from;

(ii) not be responsible for the release of impounded animals on a statutory holiday, or a holiday weekend, or on Saturdays and Sundays. The owner of the impounded animal shall still be responsible for all fines and expenses incurred;

(iii) provide adequate care, shelter, food and water and keep a record of all dogs impounded, and of their disposal.