

Rural Municipality of Val Marie No. 17



A Bylaw to Provide for the Issuance of a Fire Ban

Bylaw No. 3-17

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BYLAW 3-17
R.M. of Val Marie No. 17

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OF A FIRE BAN**

The Council of the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17, in the Province of Saskatchewan enacts as follows:

1. Name of Bylaw:
This Bylaw may be cited as "The Fire Ban Bylaw".

2. Definitions:
 - a. "Administrator" shall mean the Administrator of the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17.
 - b. "Council" shall mean the Council of the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17.
 - c. "Municipality" shall mean the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17.
 - d. "Fire Chief" shall mean the Fire Chief of the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17.
 - e. "Open Fire" shall mean any Fire which is not a Pit Fire and without limiting the generality of the foregoing shall include grass fires, brush fires, structure fires, building fires, wood scrap fires, or any ground fires.
 - f. "Pit Fire" shall mean a fire which is totally confined within a non-combustible structure or container that has the draft and smoke vents thereof covered with a heavy gauge metal screen or is ventilated in such a manner as to preclude the escape of combustible materials (such as: chimineas, enclosed fire pits, or incinerators).
 - g. "Portable Appliance" means any appliance sold or constructed for the purpose of cooking food in the out-of-doors, obtaining warmth or viewing pleasure. Such fire may only be fueled with seasoned wood, charcoal, natural gas, or propane.

3. Issuance of a Fire Ban:
 - a. The Council of the municipality may by resolution issue, amend, or cancel a fire ban for the R.M. of Val Marie No. 17.
 - b. Any ban issued pursuant to this bylaw may include any or all of the following: open fires, pit fires, or the use of portable appliances.

4. Offences:
 - a. When a fire ban is in effect, any person who contravenes the Fire Ban may be subject to the fines established under the municipality's general penalty bylaw.

5. Penalty:
 - a. Any person who fails to comply with any Fire Ban is guilty of an offence and is liable to a fine on summary conviction as outlined in the municipality's general penalty bylaw.

6. Enforcement:
 - a. A municipal Bylaw Enforcement Officer or member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police have the authority to serve a violation notice on any such person they believe have breached the conditions of this bylaw.
 - i. Service of such violation shall be sufficiently served if it is personally served; or left for the person at his/her last or

most usual place of residence with a person who appears at least 16 years of age or older.

7. This bylaw comes into force on the day of its passing.