

**PROVINCE OF QUEBEC
MRC LA VALLÉE-DE-LA-GATINEAU
MUNICIPALITY TOWNSHIP OF LOW**

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REGULATIONS RESPECTING THE REGISTRATION OF DOGS

WHEREAS the Municipality of Canton de Low wishes to regulate animals on the territory of the municipality;

WHEREAS under Decree 1162-2019 approved under the *Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs* (chapter P-38.002), a municipality must postpone the registration of dogs domiciled in its territory;

WHEREAS the draft by-law was tabled on

THEREFORE, it is

PROPOSED by
SUPPORTED by

AND RESOLVED by the present Council that it is ruled and ordered, and it is by the present By-Law, ruled and ordered the following, namely:

ARTICLE 1 – PREAMBLE

That the preamble be an integral part of this By-Law.

ARTICLE 2. PURPOSE OF THE REGULATIONS

The purpose of this by-law is to ensure that dog owners residing in the territory of the Canton of Low register them in accordance with Decree 1162-2019 approved under the *Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs* chapter P-38.002).

ARTICLE 3. REPEAL

The present by-law repeals by-law 002-94 as well as all other regulations and resolutions relating to this report.

ARTICLE 4. REGISTRATION

The owner or guardian of a dog must register it with the Municipality of the Canton of Low within 30 days of the acquisition of the dog if his main residence is on the territory of the Municipality, during the establishment of its main residence is on the territory of the Municipality or the day the dog reaches the age of 3 months.

Despite the first paragraph, the obligation to register a dog:

1 ° applies from the day the dog reaches the age of 6 months when a dog breeder is the owner or guardian of the dog;

2 ° does not apply to a pet store, that is to say a business where pets are kept and offered for sale to the public, a veterinary establishment, an educational establishment or an establishment carrying out research activities as well as a pound, an animal service, a refuge or any person or organization dedicated to the protection of animals holding a permit referred to in section 19 of the Animal Welfare and Safety Act (chapter B- 3.1).

ARTICLE 5. REGISTRATION FORM

The owner or guardian of the dog must provide, for the registration of the latter, the following information and documents:

1 ° his name and contact details;

2 ° the breed or type, sex, color, year of birth, name, distinguishing marks, provenance of the dog and if its weight is 20 kg and over;

3 ° if applicable, proof that the rabies vaccination status of the dog is up to date, that he is sterilized or microchipped as well as the number of the microchip, or a written opinion from a veterinary surgeon indicating that vaccination, sterilization or microchipping is contraindicated for dogs;

4 ° if applicable, the names of the municipalities where the dog has already been registered, as well as any decision with respect to the dog or with regard to it made by a local municipality under this by-law or a municipal by-law concerning dogs.

ARTICLE 6. DURATION OF REGISTRATION

Registration of a dog in the Municipality of the Township of Low remains as long as the dog and its owner or guardian remain the same. The owner or guardian of a dog must inform the Municipality of any modification to the information provided in application of article 5.

ARTICLE 7. MEDAL

The Municipality of the Township of Low gives the owner or guardian of a registered dog a medal with the registration number of the dog. A dog must wear the medal given by the local municipality in order to be identifiable at all times and in the event of loss or destruction it must be replaced by the owner.

ARTICLE 8. INSPECTION

If the inspector designated by a resolution of the Council, has reasonable grounds to believe that a dog is in a residential house may require that the owner or occupant of the premises show him the dog. The owner or occupant must comply immediately. The inspector can only enter the dwelling house with the occupant's permission.

ARTICLE 9. RATE

The cost of issuing a license is \$ 20 per dog

ARTICLE 10. OFFENSES

Any person who contravenes any of the applicable provisions commits an offense. Anyone who acts in contravention of these rules commits an offense.

ARTICLE 11. PENALTIES

Anyone who commits an offense is liable to a minimum fine of \$ 250 and a maximum of \$ 750 if he is a natural person, and of \$ 500 to \$ 1,500 in other cases. In the event of a repeat offense, the amount of the fine is doubled.

ARTICLE 12. ENTRY INTO FORCE

The present by-law will come into force after the completion of the formalities enacted by law.