



**Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932,
Amendment Bylaw No. 8961**

The Council of the City of Richmond enacts as follows:

1. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART ONE by deleting section 1.1.1 and substituting the following:
 - 1.1.1 A person must not cause any **animal** or bird:
 - (a) to be hitched, tied or fastened to a fixed object:
 - (i) where a **choke collar** forms part of the securing apparatus;
 - (ii) where the securing apparatus is less than 3 metres in length; or
 - (iii) for a period longer than 1 hour in any 6 hour period;
 - (b) to be confined in an enclosed space, including a vehicle, without adequate ventilation;
 - (c) to be transported in the uncovered, exterior part of any vehicle except when confined to a fully-enclosed cage designed for travel and where the cage is securely fastened to the vehicle.
2. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TWO by deleting subsection 2.3.2.1 and substituting the following:
 - 2.3.2.1 Except as provided for in section 2.3.5 and in section 2.3.6, every **owner** of a **dog**:
 - (a) must keep such **dog** on a **leash** at all times while on any street or in any public place; and
 - (b) may not permit their **dog** to **run at large**.
3. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TWO by deleting section 2.3.4, in its entirety, and substituting the following:
 - 2.3.4 Owner Obligations – Confinement

- 2.3.4.1 Subject to the limitations of section 1.1.1, every **owner** of a **dog** must ensure that such **dog**, while on the premises **owned** or controlled by the **owner**, is securely confined to the premises.
- 2.3.4.2 Every **owner** of a **dangerous dog** must:
- (a) ensure that such **dangerous dog** is not allowed on any street or in any public place, or any other place that is not **owned** or controlled by that person, unless such **dangerous dog** is:
 - (i) on a **leash** not longer than 1.2 metres; and
 - (ii) **muzzled**; and
 - (iii) under the care and control of an **owner** who is 19 years of age or older; and
 - (b) subject to the limitations of section 1.1.1, keep such **dangerous dog** securely confined at all times, either indoors or in an **enclosure**, while the **dangerous dog** is on the premises owned or controlled by such person.
4. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TWO by deleting subsection 2.3.5.2(a) and substituting the following:
- 2.3.5.2 (a) No owner may have more than three (3) **dogs** off-leash at any one time, except an **owner** who is a professional dog walker with a valid **off-leash permit** may have up to six (6) **dogs** off-leash in the **designated dog off-leash areas** within McDonald Park and Woodward's Slough Park.
5. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TWO by deleting subsection 2.3.5.3 and substituting the following:
- 2.3.5.3 Every **owner** of a **dog** must immediately **leash** a **dog** when the **dog** exhibits **aggressive behaviour**.
6. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TWO by adding the following after section 2.3.5:
- 2.3.6 Exemption
- 2.3.6.1 The provisions under section 2.3.2.1 and subsection 2.3.5.3 do not apply to an **owner** of a **dog** that is conducting wildlife control duties in accordance with a valid contract with the **City** or a **dog** being utilized by law enforcement officers for duties or training related to law enforcement.
7. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART EIGHT by adding the following after section 8.3.13:
- 8.3.14 Upon request by an **Animal Control Officer**, the **owner** of a **dog** or **dangerous dog** which is in contravention of any provision of this bylaw

must stop and provide to the **Animal Control Officer** photo identification showing his or her full name and current address.

8. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART NINE by deleting the definitions of ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER, CONTRACTOR, MAINTENANCE FEES, RUNNING AT LARGE (CAT) and RUNNING AT LARGE (DOG) and adding the following definitions, in alphabetical order:

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER means:

- (a) a person employed by the City as a Bylaw Enforcement Officer; or
- (b) a person employed by the **Contractor** to undertake animal control services; or
- (c) a **police officer**.

CHOKER COLLAR

means a slip collar or chain that may constrict around the neck of an **animal** as a result of pulling on one end of the collar or chain.

CONTRACTOR

means the person, firm or society with whom the City has entered into an agreement for:

- (a) the management and operation of an **animal shelter**;
- (b) the provision of animal control services;
- (c) the employment and provision of **Animal Control Officers**;
- (d) the licensing of **dogs** and **dangerous dogs**; and
- (e) the issuing of tickets, violations and fines under the provisions of the City's:
 - (i) Municipal Ticket Information Authorization Bylaw No. 7321; and
 - (ii) Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122.

MAINTENANCE FEES

means the fees as set from time to time in the Consolidated Fees Bylaw No. 8636, which are charged for each day that an **animal** or bird is **impounded**, commencing the day after impoundment.

RUNNING AT LARGE

means any one of the following:

- (a) for a **cat** or **dog**, being elsewhere than confined on the premises of the **owner**, while not on a **leash** and not in the immediate and effective control of an **owner**;

- (b) for a **cat or dog**, being on any property without the consent of the owner or occupier of that property;
- (c) for a **dog**, being in a **designated dog off-leash area**, where permitted, but not under the immediate and effective control of an **owner**; or
- (d) for a **dangerous dog**, means any **dangerous dog** which is not confined or controlled in compliance with the requirements of subsection 2.3.4.2.

9. Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, as amended, is further amended, at PART TEN by deleting section 10.1, in its entirety, and substituting the following:

10.1 A violation of any of the provisions identified in this Bylaw shall result in liability for penalties and late payment amounts established in Schedule A of the Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122; and

10.2 A violation of any of the provisions identified in this Bylaw shall be subject to the procedures, restrictions, limits, obligations and rights established in the Notice of Bylaw Violation Dispute Adjudication Bylaw No. 8122 in accordance with the *Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act, SBC 2003, c.60*.

10.3 Every person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is considered to have committed an offence against this bylaw and is liable on summary conviction pursuant to *Offence Act, RSBC 1996, c.338* to a maximum fine of up to \$10,000 and each day that such violation is caused, or allowed to continue, constitutes a separate offence.

10. This Bylaw is cited as “**Animal Control Regulation Bylaw No. 7932, Amendment Bylaw No. 8961**”.

FIRST READING

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SECOND READING

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THIRD READING

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MAYOR

CORPORATE OFFICER