

TOWN OF GOLDEN

BYLAW NUMBER 902

Being a Bylaw of the Town of Golden
to prohibit unsightly premises within the Town limits.

WHEREAS pursuant to Section 932 (g), (h), (h[i]) and (k) of the Municipal Act, R.S.B.C. 1979, it is deemed necessary to regulate unsightly premises within the Town;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Golden, in open meeting assembled,
HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town of Golden "Clean-Up Bylaw Number 662, 1985" is hereby rescinded in its entirety.
2. Definitions:

In this Bylaw:

"Council" means the Council of the Town of Golden;

"Filth, Discarded Materials or Rubbish" includes any and all manner of garbage; discarded or disused materials; filth, noxious, offensive or unwholesome matters; unused or stripped automobiles, trucks, trailers, boats, vessels, machinery, mechanical or metal parts; bottles; glass; brush; and noxious weeds or other weeds of any kind.

"Graffiti" means drawing, printing, or writing scratched, sprayed, painted or scribbled on a wall or other surface, but does not include a sign for which a permit has been issued by the Municipality;

"Highway" has the same meaning as in the Municipal Act.

"Inspector" means a person appointed by the Council to administer this Bylaw.

"Open Place" means a highway or any premises where there are no buildings or structures.

"Owner" has the same meaning as in the Municipal Act.

"Premises" means any lot, block or other area in which land is held or into which it is subdivided.

"Municipality" means the Town of Golden.

3. Prohibitions:

- (1) No owner or occupier of real property shall cause or permit water, filth, discarded materials or rubbish, or noxious, offensive or unwholesome matter to collect or accumulate around his premises.
- (2) No person shall deposit or throw bottles, broken glass or other rubbish in any open space.
- (3) No owner or occupier of real property shall allow such property to become or to remain unsightly.
- (4) No person shall place graffiti on walls, fences or elsewhere on or adjacent to a public place.

3. Requirements:

- (5) Owners or occupiers of real property or their agents shall keep their property clear of brush or noxious weeds.
- (6) Owners or occupiers of real property or their agents shall prevent infestation of it by caterpillars and other noxious or destructive insects and shall clear the property of caterpillars and other noxious or destructive insects.
- (7) Owners or occupiers of real property, or their agents, shall remove from it any unsightly accumulation of filth, discarded materials, rubbish or graffiti.

4. Remedial:

- (1) Where the Municipality has given the owner/occupier written notice of fifteen (15) days to remove any accumulation of filth, discarded materials, rubbish or graffiti, or clearing the property of brush, or noxious weeds, or clearing the property of infestation of caterpillars and other noxious or destructive insects, and the fifteen (15) days has expired and the work has not been undertaken, in default of the owner or occupier of real property doing the said work, the Municipality, by its employees and others, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, may enter and effect the removal or clearance at the expense of the owner or occupier defaulting and the charges for doing so, if unpaid on December 31st in any year, shall be added to and form part of the taxes payable on that real property as taxes in arrears.

5. Inspection:

- (1) Every Inspector is hereby authorized to enter upon any lands and premises in the Municipality at all reasonable times to ascertain whether this Bylaw is being observed.

6. Offence and Fine:

- (1) Any person guilty of an infraction of this Bylaw shall be liable upon conviction to a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) and not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) and costs.

7. Citation

- (1) This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Unsightly Premises Bylaw Number 902, 1993."

READ A FIRST TIME, this 5th day of July, 1993.

READ A SECOND TIME, this 19th day of July, 1993.

READ A THIRD TIME, this 9th day of August, 1993.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED, this

23rd day of August, 1993.



MAYOR



CLERK

Certified to be a true and correct copy
of Bylaw 902, cited as "Unsightly Premises
Bylaw Number 902, 1993."

Dated this _____ day of _____, 19__.

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