



*Community Governance Act*

**GOOD NEIGHBOUR REGULATION**

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[Preamble Removed]

[Amended by Order number O.041-2010]

## Citation and Short Title

1.1 This regulation may be cited as the Tsawwassen First Nation Good Neighbour Regulation, 2009.

## Interpretation and Application

2.1 Unless specifically defined herein, words and phrases used in this regulation shall be construed in accordance with the meanings assigned to them in the *Tsawwassen First Nation Final Agreement* or the *Community Governance Act*, the *Criminal Code of Canada* (“*Criminal Code*”) and the *Firearms Act* of Canada, as the context and circumstances require.

[Amended by Order number O.041-2010]

2.2 In this regulation:

“**Administrator**” means the chief administrative officer appointed to act for Tsawwassen First Nation;

“**armoured car guard service**” has the same meaning in the *Security Services Act* of British Columbia;

“**boulevard**” means the area between the edge of roadways and adjacent private property lines;

“**chief firearms officer**” means the individual who is designated in writing as the chief provincial firearms officer by the Attorney General of British Columbia;

“**construction**” includes erection, reconstruction, alteration, repair, dismantling, demolition, relocation and removal of a building, structure or thing, structural maintenance, painting, land clearing, earth moving, excavation, grading, the laying of pipe and conduit whether above or below ground level, street and highway building, concreting, installation, alteration or removal of construction equipment, components and materials in any form or for any purpose, and includes any associated work or activity;

“**construction equipment**” means any equipment or device designed and intended for use in construction or material handling, including but not limited to air compressors, pile drivers, pneumatic or hydraulic tools, bulldozers, tractors, excavators, trenchers, cranes, derricks, loaders, scrapers, pavers, generators, off-highway haulers or trucks, ditchers, compactors and rollers, pumps, concrete mixers, graders, or other material handling equipment;

“**conveyance**” includes a vehicle and any other device employed to transport a person or persons or goods from place to place but does not include any such device or vehicle if operated only within the premises of a person;

“**motor vehicle**” includes an automobile, motorcycle, and any other vehicle propelled or driven otherwise than any muscular power; but does not include the cars of electric or steam railways or other motor vehicles running only upon rails, or a motorized snow vehicle, a traction engine, a farm tractor, a self-propelled implement of husbandry or a road-building machine within the meaning of the Commercial Transport Act R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 58;

“**noise**” means an unwanted sound;

“**noxious weeds**” means any weed designated by to be a noxious weed pursuant to the Weed Control Act R.S.B.C.1996, c. 487;

“**portable media player**” means any electronic device that plays any form of media including audio and video;

“**Skateboard**” means all wheeled objects, coasters, toys, conveyances, or similar devices used for transportation or sport which are propelled by human power, including longboards, but not including bicycles or roller skates; and

“**yard trimmings**” includes grass, leaves, tree and brush trimmings, and any other vegetative matter resulting from landscaping maintenance;

“**weapon**” includes a firearm, cross-bow, prohibited weapon or restricted weapon, all as defined in the *Criminal Code*.

[Amended by Order number O.041-2010]

[Amended by Order number O.024-2012]

[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]

2.3 Without limiting the generality of any provision in this regulation or other laws that may be applicable, it is expressly confirmed that Part III of the *Criminal Code* and the *Firearms Act* of Canada apply to the Tsawwassen Lands.

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2.4 If any part, section, subsection or phrase of this regulation is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the remainder of the regulation will be deemed to have been enacted without the invalid portion.

2.5 This regulation does not apply to:

- (a) the operation of emergency vehicles;
- (b) actions carried out pursuant to an authorized emergency planning protocol;
- (c) the emergency repair of a highway, road allowance, public or community facility;
- (d) peace officers or fire officials acting in the course of their duties;
- (e) the operation of farm vehicles during planting and harvesting;
- (f) the operation of a public utility or an activity of the Provincial or Federal government pursuant to a prevailing law; or
- (g) traditional or cultural practices, services or ceremonies, or parades or special events, that are authorized by the Tsawwassen Government or the Executive Council.

### **Prohibited Noise**

3.1 A person must not, except in accordance with an enactment, this regulation, or a permit or other form of authorization issued under this regulation, make or cause any noise or sound, or permit, suffer or allow any noise or sound to be made, that disturbs or tends to disturb the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of the neighbourhood, or of any person in the vicinity.

3.2 Without limiting subsection 3.1, a person must not do, or cause, permit, suffer or allow to be done, any of the following:

- (a) operate a motor vehicle in such a way that the tires squeal;
- (b) race any motor vehicle or any motorized conveyance;
- (c) operate a motor vehicle or motorized conveyance, engine, motor, or construction equipment without an effective exhaust, intake-muffling device or other sound attenuation device of a type specified by the manufacturer, which is in good working order and in constant operation;
- (d) operate a siren, whistle, motor vehicle horn or other warning device except where required or authorized by law or in accordance with good traffic safety practices;
- (e) cause or allow a sound from a radio, television, portable media player or other sound playback device or amplification equipment to emanate from a motor vehicle, residence or business premises such that it can easily be heard by someone outside the vehicle, residence or business premises;

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- (f) operate a bell, gong, or similar device that can easily be heard by a person not on the premises from which the sound emanates, except in connection with a cultural or religious ceremony or service;
- (g) operate any motor vehicle or motorized conveyance other than on a highway or other place intended for its operation between the hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.;
- (h) operate a garbage truck, solid waste bulk lift or refuse compacting equipment between the hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.;
- (i) produce sounds through any electronic device or other device intended for the production, reproduction, or amplification of sound in any way that disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort, or convenience of the neighbourhood, or of persons in the vicinity between the hours of 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.;  
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- (j) operate cleaning or landscaping equipment or household power tools other than for ice or snow removal, in any way that disturbs the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort, or convenience of the neighbourhood, or of persons in the vicinity, between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.;  
[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]
- (k) sell or advertise by shouting or outcry or amplified sound between the hours of 7 p.m. and 8 a.m.;
- (l) yell, shout, hoot, or make a clamorous noise between the hours of 11 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- (m) allow a domestic pet or other animal within the person's possession, care or supervision, other than livestock animals, to continuously bark, call, whine, or make a similar noise for a period of time exceeding fifteen (15) minutes so that it disturbs or tends to disturb the peace, quiet, rest, enjoyment, comfort, convenience or tranquility of the neighbourhood or of any person in the vicinity;

### Construction Noise

4.1 A person must not operate construction equipment, or carry out construction in any manner that disturbs or tends to disturb the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort, or convenience of the neighbourhood or of persons in the vicinity:

- (a) before 7:00 a.m. and after 7:00 p.m. on weekdays that is not a holiday;
- (b) before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. on a Saturday; and
- (c) at any time on a Sunday or holiday, unless the construction is a. regarding a residential building or structure; b. undertaken personally by the owner or occupier of the premises; and c. performed between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

[Amended by Order number O.036-2018]

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4.2 On receiving an application submitted in accordance with section 1 of Schedule A, the Administrator may, by written permit, vary the time restrictions set out in subsection 4.1 for a certain location and activity if, in the opinion of the Administrator:

- (a) public safety or traffic considerations make it necessary or expedient that the work or activity commence or continue beyond those time restrictions, or
- (b) it is impossible or impractical to carry out, within those time restrictions, excavation, concrete pouring or finishing, major structural or mechanical component delivery or placement, or relocation of a building or structure; and

the Administrator may impose such terms and conditions as he or she deems reasonable or necessary in the circumstances.

- 4.3 Where the Administrator has issued a permit under section 4.2, the owner or occupier of the property identified in the permit and any agent, contractor or servant of the owner or occupier shall ensure that all terms and conditions of the permit are complied with.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*

### **Prohibited Conduct**

- 5.1 A person must not disrupt, impede, obstruct or otherwise interfere with the orderly conduct of commercial, administrative, educational, recreational, health care, cultural or religious services or ceremonial activities.
- 5.2 A person must not conduct themselves in a manner that disrupts or interferes with the peace, order, convenience, comfort, health or safety of the community or other members of the community, and in particular, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in any setting described in subsection 5.1 or in an open or public place, must not:
- (a) fight with, bully or behave in an intimidating manner toward other persons;
  - (b) use abusive or offensive language, gestures, or displays;
  - (c) impede or obstruct the free movement of vehicular traffic or of any other person on a roadway or other public place except in accordance with law or by authorized permit;
  - (d) tamper with, deface, injure, remove or destroy community or public property, equipment, utilities, gardens, shelters, benches or other amenities.
- 5.3 A person must not place graffiti, or cause graffiti to be placed, on any building, wall, fence, sign, or other structure or thing on or adjacent to a road, sidewalk, parking lot, park or other public place.
- 5.4 A person must not:
- (a) deposit, leave, place or toss bottles, broken glass, plastic, styrofoam, bags, newspapers, flyers, paper, litter, rubbish or discarded items; or
  - (b) abandon cars or car parts, or household appliances or furniture,  
in any roadway, sidewalk, ditch, parking lot, waterway, park or other open space or community facility other than in a receptacle or within a site intended or designated for that purpose;
  - (c) burn tires, discarded items, garbage, leaves or grass;
  - (d) discharge any unhealthy substance into the air or water; or
  - (e) cause, suffer or allow a dog to leave or deposit excrement or vomit on any roadway, park or other public place, or on property other than that which the person owns or occupies, without immediately taking action to remove and dispose of the excrement or vomit in a sanitary manner and in an appropriate receptacle.
- 5.5 No person shall propel, coast, ride or in any other way use a Skateboard:
- (a) on a sidewalk;
  - (b) on any Tsawwassen road unless that person is properly wearing a helmet on his or her head, except if that person is a person for whom the wearing of a helmet would interfere with an essential religious practice;
  - (c) on any Tsawwassen road
    - (i) unless that person is properly wearing a helmet on their head, except if that person is a person for whom the wearing of a helmet would interfere with an essential religious practice;
    - (ii) except as near to the right side of the roadway or lane as is practicable;
    - (iii) that is posted with a speed limit exceeding 50 kilometers per hour;

- (iv) between sunrise and sunset;
- (v) while being towed by a vehicle, bicycle, or animal;
- (vi) in such a manner as to pose a hazard to traffic;
- (vii) in any position other than standing
- (viii) without due care and attention; or
- (ix) without reasonable consideration for other road users.

*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*

- (d) on any Tsawwassen road that is posted with a speed limit exceeding 50 kilometres per hour;
- (e) on a Tsawwassen road between sunset and sunrise;
- (f) on any Tsawwassen road while being towed by a vehicle, bicycle or animal;
- (g) on any Tsawwassen road in such a manner as to pose a hazard to traffic;
- (h) on any Tsawwassen road in any position other than standing; or
  - (i) on any Tsawwassen road:
  - (ii) without due care and attention; or
  - (iii) without reasonable consideration for other persons or vehicles using the Tsawwassen road.

*[Amended by Order number O.024-2012]*

5.6 Notwithstanding section 5.5, a person must not propel, coast, ride, or in any other way use a Skateboard on Pacific Drive or on Tsawwassen Beach Road.

*[Amended by Order number O.024-2012]*

*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*

## **Problem Properties**

6.1 A person who owns or occupies real property:

- (a) must not allow the property to become or remain unsightly;
  - (b) must not allow on or around the property:
    - (i) an accumulation of water;
    - (ii) accumulation of discarded materials, substances or objects;
    - (iii) abandoned vehicles or household appliances, or parts thereof;
    - (iv) noxious weeds;
    - (v) offensive or unwholesome materials;
    - (vi) unsanitary conditions; or
    - (vii) graffiti visible to persons passing by the property;
  - (c) must ensure that lawn grass on or around property including adjacent boulevards, is trimmed so that its height does not exceed 10 centimetres (4 inches);
- [Amended by Order number O.048-2023]*
- (d) must not allow a building or other structure on the property to be used for any purpose that results or could result in the building or other structure becoming unsafe for lawful human habitation or other permitted use, or a hazard, danger or nuisance to the community;



- (e) must remove or cause to be removed from the property any accumulation of water, unsightly accumulations of discarded materials, substances or objects, abandoned vehicles or appliances or parts thereof, noxious weeds, offensive or unwholesome materials, unsanitary conditions, graffiti, or unsafe or hazardous conditions on a regular basis or when directed to do so under section 8, and in accordance with any requirements and conditions accompanying the remedial action notice or directive; and
- (f) must ensure that no yard trimmings are discarded on Tsawwassen Public Lands or infrastructure

[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]

6.2 In addition to 6.1, a person who owns or occupies real property zoned for commercial or industrial use must :

- (a) ensure that fences, retaining walls, driveways or wood ties on real property are not unstable, rotting, crumbling, peeling, or rusting;
- (b) remove or cause to be removed from real property any:
  - (i) dead or dying grass, shrubs, or trees;
  - (ii) overgrown or unmanaged grass, weeds, shrubs or trees;
  - (iii) fences, retaining walls, driveways or wood ties that are unstable or unsafe, or rotting, crumbling, cracking, leaning, peeling, or rusting.
- (c) repair or replace any damaged fences, retaining walls, driveways, or wood ties;
- (d) replace any trees, shrubs or grass that has been removed or has died.

[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]

### **Snow and Ice Removal**

7.1 Every owner or occupier of real property must remove, or cause to be removed, snow or ice from any sidewalk or footpath bordering that property by 10 p.m. of the day following the accumulation of snow or ice.

### **Restriction on Use of Weapons**

8.1 A person must not use a weapon while on Tsawwassen Lands except in accordance with the *Criminal Code*, the *Firearms Act* of Canada and this regulation.

8.2 This section of the regulation does not apply to a peace officer or a person employed by an armoured car guard service who is in possession of a firearm for use in connection with his or her duties.

8.3 A Tsawwassen Member may use a weapon on Tsawwassen Lands in accordance with the terms, conditions, restrictions and requirements of a valid and subsisting licence or permit issued to that person by the chief firearms officer.

8.4 A person permitted to use a weapon under subsection 8.2 must retain a copy of a licence or permit and produce it at the request of a peace officer, the Executive Council or its authorized delegate.

8.5 A person who is in possession or control of a weapon must exercise care for the safety of other persons or property.

[Amended by order number O.041-2010]

### **Remedial Action**

9.1 Where it appears to the Administrator that a person has not complied with this regulation in respect of real property which the person owns or occupies or for which the person is otherwise responsible, the Administrator may issue a remedial action notice requiring the person to bring the property into compliance with this regulation within the time specified in the notice.

- 9.2 Delivery of the remedial action notice will be sufficient if the notice:
- (a) is delivered personally or mailed by prepaid registered mail to the owner or any occupier of the real property subject to the remedial action notice;
  - (b) advises that the person subject to the requirement may request a reconsideration by the Executive Council; and
  - (c) advises that, if the remedial action is not completed by the date specified in the notice, the Tsawwassen Government may take action to effect compliance with the Regulation in accordance with subsection 9.3.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*

- 9.3 If the owner, occupier or other responsible person fails to comply with:
- (a) a remedial action notice within 30 days of receiving such notice, or within a lesser period of time as may be provided for in the notice where a situation is urgent; or
  - (b) a directive of the Executive Council pursuant to a reconsideration within a time stated in the directive,

the Tsawwassen Government, by any officials, servants, agents, or contractors appointed by resolution of the Executive Council, may, at a reasonable time and in a reasonable manner and on providing reasonable notice, may enter the real property, accompanied by an enforcement officer or police officer as may be advisable or necessary in the circumstances, and affect such compliance at the cost of the defaulting owner, occupant or other responsible person. Such cost shall consist of all costs and expenses incurred by the Tsawwassen Government including, without limitation, administrative costs, costs of attending at the property by officials, servants, agents, contractors and officers, and the costs of removal, clean-up and disposal.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*

## Reconsideration

- 10.1 The Executive Council may, on receiving an application or request in accordance with Schedule A of this regulation, grant a temporary exemption or variation from a provision of this regulation or reconsider a decision of the Administrator, and in so doing:
- (a) may limit its consideration to written materials;
  - (b) may consider any information it considers relevant to the application or request;
  - (c) may provide the applicant or another person or persons with an opportunity to be heard;
  - (d) may impose any restrictions, requirements, terms and conditions it considers necessary or desirable to reduce or alleviate any adverse or prejudicial effects on the community or other person(s) resulting from the exemption or variation; and
  - (e) must specify the time period, not in excess of 6 months, during which any exemption, variation or directive is effective.

- 10.2 Reconsideration under section 10.1 of this Regulation does not apply to section 8 of this Regulation.  
*[Amended by Order number O.041-2010]*

## Contravention, Penalty and Enforcement

- 11.1 Any person who contravenes, violates or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention of, or neglects or refrains from doing anything required to be done pursuant to the provisions of this regulation, commits a contravention punishable on summary conviction and shall, in addition to any other provisions of this regulation, be liable:
- (a) to a penalty as set out in the *Tsawwassen First Nation Ticket Regulation, 2013*;
  - (b) if no penalty is set out for the contravention in the *Tsawwassen First Nation Ticket Regulation, 2013*, then to a fine not exceeding \$2,000;

- (c) to prosecution pursuant to the *Offence Act* (British Columbia); or
  - (d) to both prosecution under subsection c) and either a penalty under subsection a) or a fine under subsection b).
- 11.2 Every day that a contravention continues under this regulation constitutes a separate and distinct contravention.
- 11.3 Contraventions of this regulation are designated for enforcement under the *Community Governance Act* (Tsawwassen) or the *Laws Enforcement Act* (Tsawwassen).
- 11.4 In addition to the designated Enforcement Officer appointed by Executive Council pursuant to section 3 (1) (a) of the *Laws Enforcement Act*, members of the Police Department for the City of Delta are designated as enforcement officers for the purposes of this regulation.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*
- 11.5 Notwithstanding 11.1, a person who contravenes or violates section 5.5 or section 5.6 of this regulation
- (a) is liable to pay a fine not exceeding \$100, and
  - (b) may have their Skateboard confiscated by the Police Department for the City of Delta for a period of 24 hours.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*
- 11.6 A person who has their Skateboard confiscated under section 11.5 (b) who is under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian in order to retrieve it from the Police Department for the City of Delta.  
*[Amended by Order number O.052-2022]*
- 11.7 Any contravention of Section 6.1(c) by a person within the TFN Community Area, as defined in the TFN Community Area Plan, will not be subject to penalties and enforcement under this Section 11, unless otherwise required by the Director of Lands or TFN Executive Council, in their sole discretion.  
*[Amended by Order number O.048-2023]*
- [Amended by Order number O.043-2013]*
- 12 Schedule A is attached to and forms part of this regulation.
- 13 Upon enactment of this regulation, the Weapons Regulation 065-2009, is repealed.  
*[Amended by Order number O.041-2010]*

**Schedule A**  
**to**  
**Tsawwassen First Nation Good Neighbour Regulation, 2009**

1. An application for permission to vary a provision of the regulation shall be in writing and submitted to the Administrator at least 5 business days prior to the date of the proposed activity, and shall include:
  - (a) the applicant's name, address and telephone number;
  - (b) the address of the real property for which the variation is sought;
  - (c) the owner(s) of the real property, if different from the applicant;
  - (d) a description of the source(s) of sound in respect of which the variation is sought;
  - (e) the reason(s) why the variation should be permitted;
  - (f) a statement of the steps, if any, that are planned or presently being taken to minimize the sound associated with the proposed activity ; and
  - (g) a non-refundable application fee of \$100.00.
  
2. A request for reconsideration shall be in writing and shall include the information listed in section 1 (a) through (c) of this Schedule and in addition, submissions as to why the Executive Council should reconsider the decision and any proposed steps the person is willing to take to address the situation and any adverse or prejudicial effects on the community or any persons in the vicinity.