

## Town of Mulgrave

### Sewer Connection By-Law

1. In this By-Law, unless the context otherwise requires, the expression:
  - (a) "Town" means the "Town" of "Mulgrave" or the area contained within its municipal boundaries as the context requires;
  - (b) "Combined Sewer" means a sewer that is intended to conduct wastewater and storm water;
  - (c) "Council" means the "Town" Council of the Town of Mulgrave;
  - (d) "Person" shall mean any individual, firm, company, association, society, corporation, or group;
  - (e) "Sanitary Sewer" means a sewer for the collection and transmission of domestic, commercial and industrial wastewater or any of them, and to which uncontaminated or cooling water, storm, surface, and groundwater are not intentionally admitted;
  - (f) "Sewer" means a pipe, conduit, drain, open channel, or ditch used for the collection and transmission of wastewater, storm water, or uncontaminated process or cooling water;
  - (g) "Sewerage System" means all pipes, mains, equipment, buildings and structures for collecting, pumping or treatment of wastewater and operated by the "Town", but does not include a storm sewer;
  - (h) "Storm Sewer" means a sewer and all related structures designed exclusively for the collection and transmission of uncontaminated water, storm water, drainage from land or from any watercourse or any of them;
  - (i) "Superintendent of Works" is an employee of the "Town" who has been assigned the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Town's Sewer system.
  
2.
  - (a) No person shall connect any private sewer or building sewer to a municipal sewer without first obtaining permission therefor from the Engineer.
  - (b) No connection to a municipal sewer shall be made except under the supervision of the Superintendent of Works.
  - (c) No connection shall be covered until it has been inspected and approved by the Superintendent of Works.
  - (d) All sewer lateral pipes shall be constructed with PVC, SDR 35 sewer pipe or equivalent approved by the "Superintendent of Works" and this pipe shall not be less than four (4) inches in diameter.
  - (e) All sewer Lateral pipes shall be protected with not less than six (6) inches of sand or fine grade material approved by the Superintendent of Works and be laid with sufficient grade to ensure compliance with

- Provincial standards.
- (f) All fixtures or appliances (including but not limited to toilets, sinks, floor drains, washers, etc.) which are installed below the level of the street and connected to the Town's sewer must be protected by a back water valve in accordance with the National Building Code. This requirement shall apply to the installation of all fixtures and appliances located below street level in both new and existing buildings.
3. Every person connecting to a sewerage system shall construct the connection according to requirements of the Canadian Building and Plumbing Codes.
  4. No person shall connect any storm sewer to any sanitary sewer.
  5.
    - (a) The owner of a building, the nearest part of which is not more than three hundred feet from any portion of a municipal sewer shall be required at the owners expense to construct a building sewer therefrom and connect the same to the said municipal sewer; provided, however, Council may exempt therefrom any such buildings as appears to it:
      - (i) To be adequately served with existing storm drainage and on-site sewage disposal sewage disposal systems;
      - (ii) would not be adequately served by connection to the municipal sewerage system.
    - (b) The Council shall not require an owner to connect to a municipal sewer until service from said sewer has been available to the property for one year.
  6. Where a building has been connected to the municipal sewerage system or the Council has ordered a building to be so connected, the Council may by resolution order the owners of outhouses and septic tanks to remove such outhouses and to destroy or fill such septic tanks.
  7. Except as otherwise provided herein, any person who contravenes any section of this By-Law is liable on conviction to a Penalty of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$1000. and in default of payment to imprisonment for a term of not more than three (3) months.
  8. All costs associated with the installation, connection, maintenance or repair of a building sewer connection to the municipal sewerage system, for the portion of the sewer pipe within private property, including the costs of any necessary permits, are the sole responsibility of the owner.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the foregoing

By-Law was duly passed at a duly called meeting of council of the "Town of Mulgrave" held the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October A.D., 1994.

Nathan Gorall  
Municipal Clerk-Treasurer

I, Nathan Gorall, Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Mulgrave in the Province of Nova Scotia, so hereby certify this Sewer Connection By-Law as a true copy adopted by a majority of the whole Council of the Town of Mulgrave at a meeting duly called and held on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1994; and amended at a duly called meeting of Council on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1996; and hereby certify the attached Notice of Publication;

Dated at Mulgrave, October 24, 1996.

Nathan Gorall  
Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Mulgrave



## Town of Mulgrave Notice

In the matter of (1) the adoption of a Relief From Liability By-Law for the Town of Mulgrave, (2) an amendment to the Town Sewer Connection By-Law requiring back water valves on all fixtures and appliances installed below street level, (3) adoption of a new Town policy on the requirement of a back flow prevention device on all new waterlines and recommended on existing waterlines.

The object of the Relief from Liability By-law is that whereas the Town of Mulgrave cannot guarantee that the flows of water and or sewer will be in the appropriate direction at all times such as during repairs, extreme storms or malfunctions the Town shall not be liable for any property damage unless damage is a result of negligence by the Town or its representatives.

The object of the amendment to the Town's Sewer Connection By-Law is that all fixtures and appliances such as toilets, sinks, tubs, showers, washers or floor drains which are installed below the level of the adjacent street must be protected by a back water valve which must be installed by the property owner.

The object of the new Town policy requiring back flow prevention devices on all new waterlines and recommend on existing waterlines is to ensure that when the water pressure is reduced in the Town main waterline that water cannot flow from the property toward the main line. The property owner is responsible is for the installation of the back flow device.

Copies of the Relief from Liability By-Law, the amendment to the Sewer By-Law and the policy on waterline back flow preventers, which were adopted by Council on October 1, 1996, are available for review at the Mulgrave Town Office at 457 MacLeod St., between the hours of 8:30A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Mondays to Friday (excluding holidays). Comments or concerns by interested persons may be submitted to the undersigned at the Town Office.

Dated at Mulgrave, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of October 1996.

Nathan Gorall  
Town Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Mulgrave

