

Bylaw No. 977-Amended

BEING a Bylaw of the Town of Carstairs in the Province of Alberta, the purpose of this Bylaw is to regulate storm and or surface water entering Town of Carstairs sanitary sewer system.

WHEREAS Section 7(a) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, as amended, A Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the following matters of the safety, health and welfare of people and the protection of people and property;

WHEREAS, Section 7(g) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, as amended; A Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the following matter of public utilities;

WHEREAS, Section 7(g) of the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, as amended; A Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting the following matter of the enforcement of bylaws made under this or any other enactment;

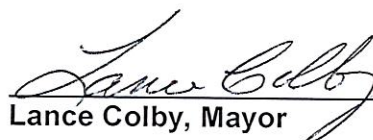
NOW THEREFORE, Council of the Town of Carstairs duly assembled and pursuant to the Municipality Government Act, Chapter M-26-1 Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000 enacts as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be referred to as the **“Illegal Discharge of Sump Pumps Bylaw”**
2. Unless granted permission by the Town of Carstairs no owner or occupier of any premise shall discharge a sump pump or yard drain into any Town sanitary sewer.
3. No Person shall directly connect or allow direct connection of downspouts, eavestroughing, piping or other means of directing roof drainage to a foundation drain or weeping tile.
4. No owner shall permit the discharge of storm water from the drainage system servicing or affecting an Affected Property into a public sanitary sewer or other waste water disposal system.
5. No person shall permit sump pump discharge hoses to drain directly onto neighboring properties, lanes or streets, onto sidewalks, onto boulevards, ditches, or into the floor drain of the property owner. The property owner shall ensure that the discharge of their sump pump hose end remains a minimum of 5 feet away from their property line.
6. Failure to comply with the Bylaw may result in fines listed in the current Rates & Fees bylaw.
7. The Town shall issue in writing notices or orders as are necessary to inform the owner where a contravention of this by-law has been observed. The Town of Carstairs may enter buildings or other places connected to the Town of Carstairs sanitary sewer system on reasonable notice and at reasonable times to determine whether or not any storm or surface water is being discharged into the sanitary sewer system, and the Town of Carstairs shall have the power to use any test or other means necessary to determine compliance with this Bylaw and to stop or prevent the discharge of storm or surface water.
8. The property owner MAY drain the sump pump away from the home, onto a grassy area or permeable surface that way the water is absorbed. Water from the sump pump may be used to water grass, trees and shrubs found on your property. It is recommended that the discharge hose be moved as needed to avoid overwatering an area. (5 feet away from the property line)
9. This Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon the third and final reading thereof.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2023

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2023

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME THIS 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2023


Lance Colby, Mayor


Rick Blair, CAO