

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF HAWKESBURY

BY-LAW N° 32-2006

**A by-law to regulate the use of water
for lawn and garden watering and
for car wash events
in the Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury**

WHEREAS the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001, c. 25, s. 11 provides that the council of a local municipality may pass by-laws respecting matters within the sphere of jurisdiction of public utilities;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to regulate the use of the municipal water system to water lawns, gardens and driveways to ensure there is an adequate water supply to operate the water system at all times, including peak demand times.

NOW THEREFORE the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Town of Hawkesbury enacts as follows:

1. No person shall water or permit to be watered any lawn or garden or any driveway, except during the hours and days specified as hereinafter provided:
 - a) Residents of odd-numbered buildings shall be permitted to water lawn or garden or any driveway on odd-numbered days between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m..
 - b) Residents of even-numbered buildings shall be permitted to water lawn or garden or any driveway on even numbered days between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m..

The present provision applies from May 1st to November 1st of each year.

2. At all times, watering shall not be permitted unless the air temperature is a minimum of 5° Celsius and rising.
3. Where the nature of the use of a lawn or garden does not permit watering in accordance with Section 1, the Director of Technical Services or its authorized officers may issue a permit to allow the use of water during specified hours not exceeding a total of seven (7) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period.
4. No person shall hold a car wash fund raising event without first obtaining written authorization from the By-law Enforcement Officer. Car wash events are prohibited during the months of July and August of each year.
5. No person shall use a hydrant without first obtaining written authorization from the Director of Technical Services.
6. In the event of a water shortage, if it is deemed to be in the public interest, the Director of Technical Services may restrict the use of water throughout the Town or in a section or sections thereof or ban the use of water for any non-essential purposes as in his discretion appears necessary to prevent water demands from exceeding plant capacity. Notification of such a restriction will be made by any method deemed reasonable and appropriate to the Director of Technical Services.

7. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction thereof shall forfeit and pay a penalty of each offence and every such penalty shall be recoverable under the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33 and amendments thereto.
8. When a person has been convicted of an offence under this by-law, a court of competent jurisdiction thereafter, may, in addition to any other penalty imposed, issue an order prohibiting the continuation or repetition of the offence by the person convicted.
9. By-law N° 13-2004 is hereby repealed.

ADOPTED THIS 24th DAY OF April 2006.

Clerk or Deputy Clerk

Mayor or Reeve