

**THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LIMERICK  
BYLAW 2016-14**

*BEING A BYLAW TO LICENSE AND REGULATE TENTS AND TRAILERS  
WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF LIMERICK*

**WHEREAS**, section 164 of the *Municipal Act, 2001 RSO*, authorizes a municipality to pass bylaws for the prohibition and licensing of trailers located in the municipality;

**AND WHEREAS**, Section 151, Subsection 1 of the *Municipal Act, 2001 RSO*, authorizes a municipality to require a person, subject to such conditions as the municipality considers appropriate, to pay an administrative penalty if the municipality is satisfied that the person has failed to comply with any part of a system of licensed established by the municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE, THE TOWNSHIP OF THE CORPORTATION OF LIMERICK ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

**DEFINITIONS**

1. "Lot" means a parcel or tract of land which:
  - (a) is a whole lot as shown on a registered plan of subdivision;
  - (b) fronts a public highway;
  - (c) the description of which is the same as in a Deed which has been given consent pursuant to Section 50 of the Planning Act RSO 1990;
  - (d) is the whole remnant remaining to an owner or owners after a conveyance made with consent pursuant to Section 50 of the Planning Act RSO 1990.
2. "Municipality" shall mean the lands and premises within the corporate limits of the Township of Limerick.
3. "Principal Use" shall mean eating, sleeping or general accommodation of persons.
4. "Seasonal Use" shall mean eating, sleeping or general accommodation of persons for intermittent periods of time, on a non-permanent basis. Season accommodation is not a person's customary and usual place of residence or fixed permanent home, or the principal establishment to which the person when absent has full intention of returning.
5. "Stored Trailer" means any trailer located on property solely for the purpose of sale or storage but shall not include any trailer used for living, sleeping or eating accommodations of persons while located on the property. A trailer may be stored on the same lot for which it is licensed during periods of non-use as long as the trailer is destabilized and jacked-up appropriately for winter storage.
6. "Trailer" means any vehicle so constructed that it is suitable for being attached to a motor vehicle for the purpose of being drawn or propelled by the motor vehicle and that is capable of being used by persons for living, sleeping or eating accommodations of persons on a temporary, transient or short term basis, even if the vehicle is jacked-up or its running gear is removed. Examples include a motor home, a tent trailer, a truck camper, a camper trailer, a recreational trailer, a fifth wheel trailer, and a bus converted into a motor home. For the purpose of this By-law, trailer shall not include any trailer assessed under the *Assessment Act, 2001*.
7. "Tent" shall mean every kind of temporary shelter for sleeping that is not permanently affixed to the site and that is capable of being easily moved.

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SCOPE

1. No person shall locate a tent or trailer in the Municipality except:
  - (a) in a trailer park zoned for such use in the Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the Township of Limerick;
  - (b) in a campground zoned and licensed for such use by the Municipality;
  - (c) when located within the municipality for the purpose of sale;
  - (d) when stored on a lot within the Municipality with an assessed residential structure;
  - (e) when licensed on a lot within the Municipality under the *Trailer Licensing and Regulating By-law*.
2. No tent or trailer shall be located or licensed on a lot after a residential unit has been demolished except where a building permit for a single family dwelling or cottage has been issued by the Chief Building Official for the Township of Limerick. In this situation, The Township and the permit holder may enter into an agreement for the licensing and placement of the tent or trailer on the property where the unit is being constructed or reconstructed, solely for the purpose of the construction or reconstruction, for a period not to exceed one year from the date the building permit for the construction or reconstruction is issued. The tent or trailer shall be removed prior to the expiration of the said building permit.
3. Only one licensed trailer per lot shall be permitted within the Municipality and all trailers shall require a license for all uses in excess of 7 days in one calendar year, other than for sale or storage purposes.
4. A maximum of four (4) tents per lot shall be permitted within the Municipality if the lot is developed with a permitted residential use. No more than two tents shall be permitted on a vacant lot. All tents shall require a license if they are to be used for a period in excess of seven days in one calendar year.

TRAILER LICENSE APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1) Trailers shall be set back a minimum of 20 metres (65.6 feet) from all lot lines and set back a minimum of 30 metres (98.4) from any waterbody or watercourse. Trailers must be located in such a way that they are not visible from any adjacent lands which are not occupied by the owner of such lands.
- 2) Every applicant for a license to occupy a trailer shall apply in writing on the prescribed application form, Schedule "A" attached hereto, and the application shall include:
  - (a) Property owners name and contact information
  - (b) A site plan showing the location of the trailer, including distance from side, rear and front yards and, if applicable, the distance from any waterbody or watercourse.
  - (c) Detailed description of the trailer including length, colour, model number, license plate number and vehicle identification number as applicable.
  - (d) A description of provisions made for water, grey water, sewage and garbage disposal and what provisions, if any, have been made for heat or electricity.
  - (e) The expected length of time the recreational vehicle is to be occupied.
  - (f) Copies of the approvals required from other authorities (if any) under all other relevant legislation
  - (g) Such other information as requested by the Municipality to properly consider the application.
- 3) Upon receipt of the application, abutting landowners will be notified by the Township and have 20 days to comment on the application before permission to locate the trailer on the lot is actually granted.

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- 4) If a license is approved, the licensee shall pay a license fee as set out in Schedule "B".
- 5) The owner to whom a license has been issued shall display the license on the trailer in a place that may be seen easily from the outside of the trailer.
- 6) Every license obtained under this section shall expire on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December in the year of which it was issued or upon the expiration of the period of time for which it was issued, whichever occurs first.

**TENT LICENSE APPLICATION PROCESS**

- 1) Tents shall be set back a minimum of 20 metres (65.6 feet) from all lot lines and set back a minimum of 30 metres (98.4) from any waterbody or watercourse. Tents must be located in such a way that they are not visible from any adjacent lands which are not occupied by the owner of such lands.
- 2) No tent larger than 10 square metres (107.6 square feet) will be permitted.
- 3) Every applicant for a license to occupy a tent shall apply in writing on the prescribed application form, Schedule "A" attached hereto and the application shall include:
  - (a) Property owners name and contact information
  - (b) A site plan showing the location of the tent, including distance from side, rear and front yards and, if applicable, the distance from any waterbody or watercourse.
  - (c) A description of provisions made for water, grey water, sewage and garbage disposal.
  - (d) The expected length of time the recreational vehicle is to be occupied.
  - (e) Copies of the approvals required from other authorities (if any) under all other relevant legislation
  - (f) Such other information as requested by the Municipality to properly consider the application.
- 4) Upon receipt of the application, abutting landowners will be notified by the Township and have 20 days to comment on the application before permission to locate the trailer on the lot is actually granted.
- 5) If a license is approved, the licensee shall pay a license fee as set out in Schedule "A".
- 6) Every license obtained under this section shall expire on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December in the year of which it was issued or upon the expiration of the period of time for which it was issued, whichever occurs first.

**ENFORCEMENT**

- 1) A municipal By-law Enforcement Officer, the Chief Building Official, or other duly appointed individual shall enforce the provisions of this By-law.
- 2) The enforcement officer may at all reasonable times enter onto land, including buildings for the purpose of carrying out an inspection to confirm whether or not the provisions of the By-law are being complied with, whether of condition of the license is being complied with or whether an Order of the Court is being complied with.
- 3) The enforcement officer may suspend or revoke a license where the licensee has failed to comply with the requirements of this by-law or other applicable by-laws of the Township of Limerick.

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- 4) The enforcement officer may suspend or revoke a license on the grounds of disruptive or disrespectful conduct of any person enjoying the benefits of the trailer or tent license.

**PENALTY**

- 1) Any license fee or administrative penalty owing to the Municipality under the terms of this By-law shall constitute a debt owing to the Municipality and shall be collected by any legal means available to the Municipality by law or regulation.
- 2) Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this By-law, including default in payment of fees or penalties, shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable for the fines and penalties prescribed in Section 61 *Provincial Offences Act*, RSO, chapter P. 33, as amended or reenacted from time to time and as set out in Schedule "C".
- 3) Each day of contravention shall constitute a separate offence for Item 3 as set out in Schedule "C" attached hereto and forming part of this by-law. Items 1 and 2 as set out in Schedule "C" shall be deemed a single offence.

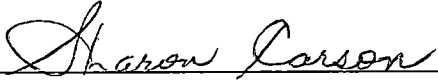
**VALIDITY**

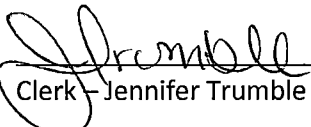
If any provision of the by-law is, for any reason, declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the by-law as a whole, or any part therefor other than the provision so declared to be invalid, and it is hereby declared to be intended that all the remaining provisions of the by-law shall continue to be in full force and effect until repealed, notwithstanding that one or more provisions thereof shall have been declared to be invalid.

Read a first time this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

Read a second time this 13th day of June, 2016.

Read a third and final time this 13th day of June, 2016.

  
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Reeve – Sharon Carson

  
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Clerk – Jennifer Trumble

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Bylaw 2016-14, passed by the Council of the Township of Limerick at their meeting held on 13th day of June 2016.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

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The Corporation of the Township of Limerick  
Trailer/Tent License Application Form  
Schedule A to By-Law 2016-14

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Site: \_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's interest in Land (owner, tenant, lease): \_\_\_\_\_  
Dimensions of Land: \_\_\_\_\_  
Frontage: \_\_\_\_\_ Depth: \_\_\_\_\_ Area: \_\_\_\_\_

Detailed description of Recreational Vehicle:

Length: \_\_\_\_\_ Colour: \_\_\_\_\_ Model #: \_\_\_\_\_  
Licence plate: \_\_\_\_\_ VIN #: \_\_\_\_\_  
What provisions have been made for: \_\_\_\_\_  
Septic/black water: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grey water: \_\_\_\_\_  
Drinking water: \_\_\_\_\_  
Garbage disposal: \_\_\_\_\_  
Electricity, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heat, if applicable: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected dates of occupancy: \_\_\_\_\_

A site plan of property should be attached showing the following (where applicable):

- Property dimensions
- The position of the tent or recreational vehicle on the site including setbacks from all lot boundaries, roadways and waterbody or watercourse
- Location of septic system
- Location of well
- Parking spaces
- Driveway
- Fire pit

If applicable, please attach approved permit from Crowe Valley Conservation Authority.

*I confirm that the information provided on this application form is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I agree to comply with the provisions of By-law 2016-14.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by the Council of the Township of Limerick on the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

Signature of Issuing Official: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Schedule B**  
**Trailer and Tent Licensing Fees**

WHEREAS Section 164 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended, authorizes the municipality to prohibit or license trailers located in the municipality;

AND WHEREAS, the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Limerick deems it to be in the public interest to license and regulate recreational vehicles and tents;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Limerick enacts to associated fees as follows:

**Recreation Vehicle License Fees:**

Waterfront Lot

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| Trailer length up to and including 26' | \$500. |
| Trailer length over 26'                | \$600. |

Non-waterfront Lot

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| Trailer length up to and including 26' | \$300. |
| Trailer length over 26'                | \$400. |

**Tent Licence Fees:**

Waterfront Lot

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| Per tent | \$100. |
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Non-waterfront Lot

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| Per tent | \$50. |
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