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CONSOLIDATED FOR CONVENIENCE TO INCLUDE
BYLAW NO. 1073, 2004

Regional District of Central Okanagan

Bylaw No. 1028

A bylaw to prohibit certain animals from being kept or displayed within the Regional District of Central Okanagan.

WHEREAS the Regional District of Central Okanagan considers that it is prudent and necessary for the protection of persons and animals to prohibit certain animals from being kept or displayed within the Regional District of Central Okanagan.

NOW THEREFORE the Regional District of Central Okanagan in open meeting assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. Definitions

In this bylaw;

- 1) ***Prohibited animal*** means any animal listed in Schedule A of this bylaw.
- 2) ***Recognized facility*** means a premise listed in Schedule B of this bylaw.
- 3) ***Wildlife*** means wildlife as defined by the Wildlife Act (RSBC) and/or other animals indigenous to Canada whose ownership in captivity violates Provincial or Federal Canadian statutes.

2. Prohibited animals

- 1) Except as provided in Section 3 of this bylaw, no person shall keep, exhibit for entertainment or educational purposes or display in public, either on a temporary basis or permanent basis, any ***prohibited animal***.
- 2) A person who, on the date of the adoption of this bylaw, was keeping any ***prohibited animal***, other than venomous reptiles, wildlife or animals whose ownership in captivity violates existing Provincial and federal Canadian statutes, may continue to keep that ***prohibited animal*** under the following conditions until the ***prohibited animal*** has died or has otherwise been disposed of:
 - a. The ***prohibited animal*** is kept secure at the owner's premises, except for visits to a veterinarian office.
 - b. The ***prohibited animal*** is not used in a show, circus, for entertainment purposes or for educational purposes.
 - c. The ***prohibited animal*** is kept from reproducing.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS 29 DAY OF September 2003.

Schedule “A”

Prohibited Animals

The following list of animals constitutes “prohibited animals” for the purposes of this bylaw. The list includes all such animals whether bred in the wild or in captivity and also includes their hybrids with domestic species.

1. Animals whose ownership in captivity violates existing Provincial and federal Canada statutes.
2. Canids (e.g. wolves, coyotes), except the domestic dog.
3. Cetaceans (e.g. whales, porpoises, dolphins)
4. Chiroptera. (e.g. bats)
5. Crocodilians (e.g. alligators, crocodiles)
6. Edentates. (e.g. anteaters, sloths, armadillos)
7. Elephants.
8. Felids (e.g. lions, tigers) except the domestic cats.
9. Green Iguanas.
10. Hyaenas.
11. Lagomorphs, except the domestic rabbit.
12. Marsupials, except sugar gliders.
13. Mustelids (e.g. skunks, weasels, otters), except domesticated ferrets.
14. Non-human primates. (e.g. apes, monkeys)
15. Pinnipeds. (e.g. seals, walruses)
16. Procyonids. (e.g. raccoons, coatis)
17. Birds of Prey (e.g. hawks, accipiters, falcons, eagles and owls)
18. Ratite Birds, (e.g. cassowaries, ostrich, rhea) except those prescribed by the Specialty Farm Operations Regulation.
19. Rodentia except degu, hamster, guinea pig, gerbil, domestic rat and domestic mouse.
20. Amythest Python, Burmese Python, Reticulated Python, Rock Pythons, Common Boa Constrictor and all Anacondas.
21. Ungulates, except domestic goats, sheep, pigs, cattle, horses, mules, donkeys, asses, llamas and alpacas.
22. Ursids. (e.g. bears)
23. Venomous reptiles.
24. Viverrids. (e.g. mongooses, civits, genets)
25. Wildlife except as provided for by the Fur Farm Act, the Game Farm Act and the Wildlife Act.

Please refer to the text of the following for more information:

1. Wildlife Act , Revised Statutes of British Columbia.
2. Game Farm Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia.
3. Speciality Farm Operations Regulations.Farm Practices Protection (Right to Farm) Act. Revised Statutes of British Columbia
4. Fur Farm Act, Revised Statutes of British Columbia.

Schedule B (List of Recognized Facilities) 2004

The following list of facilities constitutes “recognized facilities” for the purposes of this Bylaw.

1. Croc Talk, consisting of the fourteen crocodilians described in the Croc Talk paper, date stamped September 20, 2004, housed in the facility described in that paper, cared for in a manner equivalent to that described in the paper and utilized only in the type of educational displays described in the paper.

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