



Regional District of Central Okanagan
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AGGRESSIVE DOGS BYLAW INFORMATION FOR OWNERS

Under the Regional District of Central Okanagan Dog Regulation and Impounding Bylaw No. 366, the following sections apply to “Aggressive Dogs”.

In Section 2 (w) the definition for “*Aggressive Dog*” means any dog that has been the subject of an owner’s conviction of an offence against subsection 17.5 or 17.6 of this bylaw.

- Subsection 17.5: An owner shall control his dog to ensure that the dog shall not, without provocation, aggressively pursue, inflict *minor injury*, harass, cause *secondary injury* or chase or approach a person on public or private property in an apparent attitude of attack.
- Subsection 17.6: An owner shall control his dog to ensure that the dog shall not, without provocation, aggressively pursue, inflict *minor injury*, harass, cause *secondary injury* or chase a domestic animal or companion animal.
- **Subsection 17.2: The owner of every aggressive dog shall, when such dog is outside of its owner’s building premises and not kept within a closed vehicle, keep the dog controlled on a short leash or keep the aggressive dog within a locked enclosure.**
 - In Section 2 (g), “*Enclosure*” means a structure at least 1.83 meters in height by 1.2 meters wide by 4 meters long, having a concrete or asphalt floor, wire or steel mesh sides (or equivalent construction), designed and built to prevent the entry of young children or the escape of the dog.
 - In Section 2 (x), “*Minor Injury*” means a physical injury to a person, companion animal or domestic animal that consists of pinches; minor localized bruising or small punctures, tears or lacerations.
 - In Section 2 (aa), “*Secondary Injury*” means a physical injury to a person that is directly attributable to the person’s reaction when a dog approaches the person in a menacing fashion or an apparent attitude of attack.
 - In Section 2 (bb), “*Short Leash*” means a leash with fixed total length of 2 meters or less.
- Subsection 32.2: For *aggressive dogs* an impoundment fee of \$ 100.00 for the first impoundment, \$ 500.00 for the second impoundment, \$ 750.00 for the third impoundment and increasing \$ 250.00 more for each subsequent impoundment plus applicable license fees and an additional \$50.00 fee if the dog is not currently correctly licensed.
- Subsection 17.8: Where the owner of an *aggressive dog* has been the subject of a total of only 1 conviction of an offense against subsection 17.5 or 17.6 of this bylaw for that specific dog and the dog is not involved in any subsequent convictions for violations of subsections 17.1, 17.2, 17.3, 17.4, 17.5, 17.6 of this bylaw for a period of 36 months from the date of the first conviction, the dog will no longer be considered to be an aggressive dog.

PART VI Section 49 – RIGHT OF ENTRY Be advised that the Dog Control officer is hereby authorized to enter, at all reasonable times, upon any property within the Regional District of Central Okanagan subject to any of the regulations of this bylaw, in order to ascertain whether such regulations are being obeyed.

Should you require a further explanation regarding this correspondence, please contact the Bylaw Enforcement Dog Control Office, Monday to Saturday between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at 860-9322.