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and is a consolidation of the following:

1. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control By-law No. 4524-1991.
2. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 4647-1992.
3. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 5050-1994.
4. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 5268-1995.
5. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 5299-1995.
6. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 5468-1996.
7. M.R. Dog Amending By-law No. 5584-1997.
8. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 5873-1999.
9. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending By-law No. 6004-2001.
10. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending Bylaw No. 6422-2006
11. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending Bylaw No. 6463-2007
12. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending Bylaw No. 6582-2008
13. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending Bylaw No. 6628-2008
14. M.R. Dog Pound and Dog Control Amending Bylaw No. 6693-2009

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Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge
BY-LAW NO. 4524 - 1991

A By-law to provide for the licencing and control of all dogs and to establish and regulate a Pound within the District of Maple Ridge.

WHEREAS under the provisions of Sections 524, 932 and 933 of the Municipal Act, R.S.B.C., 1979, and amendments thereto, Council is given broad powers to regulate or prohibit the keeping of certain animals;

AND WHEREAS it is considered both desirable and expedient to establish a Pound to regulate the operations of the said Pound, and to regulate the keeping of dogs;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge, in open meeting assembled, **ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

PART I - GENERAL

1. This By-law may be cited for all purposes as "Maple Ridge Dog Pound and Dog Control By-law No. 4524 - 1991".
2. "Maple Ridge Dog Pound and Dog Control By-law No. 2659 - 1979" is hereby repealed in its entirety.
3. For the purposes of this By-law, the following words and terms shall have the meaning hereby assigned to them, with appropriate changes in number or gender as required by the context:

"At Large"

shall mean being unleashed on any highway, park or other public place or unleashed on private property and not wholly contained or restricted to the private property.

"Collector"	means the Collector of the Municipality, or his authorized representative.
"Commissioner"	means the commissioner as defined in the Police Act.
"Corporation"	means the Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge.
"Council"	means the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge.
"Dangerous Dog"	means any dog which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) has killed or injured a dog or domestic animal; or b) has a known propensity, tendency or disposition to attack, without provocation, other domestic animals, dogs or humans; or c) attacks or aggressively pursues a person, dog or domestic animal.
"Dog"	shall mean any animal of the canine species.
"Guard Dog"	means any dog trained to protect persons or property by attacking or threatening to attack any person found within the area patrolled by the dog and that is either securely enclosed within that area at all times or under the continuous control of a trained handler.
"Adequate Sign - Guard Dog"	means a sign 20" x 20", painted yellow, upon which there is the head of a dog with its fangs exposed and wording that the property is being guarded by a Guard Dog; and further, at the bottom of the sign, the telephone number of the owner of the dog.
"Impounding"	means delivering, receiving or taking into the Pound by the poundkeeper.
6422-2006 "Leash"	means a device, or use of a device, of leather, metal, nylon or other similar strong material no more than 3 meters in length and of sufficient strength and design to restrain the size and strength of dog for which it will be (or is being) used. One end must remain securely affixed to a collar or harness securely attached to the animal with the other end held by a person capable of controlling the dog at all times.
"Licenced Dog"	means any dog for which the current year's licence has been paid, or during the grace period of January and February, means any dog for which the previous year's licence has been paid and the Licence Tag is displayed on the dog.
"Municipality"	means the Municipality of Maple Ridge.

"Neutered Dog"	means any male dog certified as "castrated" or a female dog certified as "spayed" by a qualified Veterinary Surgeon.
"Owner"	shall mean and include any person who owns, or has in his possession, a dog, or any person harbouring or allowing a dog to remain about his house, land or premises.
"Pound"	means any building or enclosure designated as a Pound by the Council under this By-law.
"Poundkeeper"	means the person or persons appointed from time to time by the Council, to be poundkeeper, or the authorized agent of any corporation or society with whom the Council has an agreement to act as poundkeeper, or any other person or persons that Council may authorize to assist the poundkeeper to enforce this by-law.
"Unleashed"	shall mean not attached to or effectively controlled by a physical constraint, held or controlled by a competent person.
"Unlicenced Dog"	means any dog for which the licence for the current year, and the grace period of January ad February of the following calendar year, as provided by this By-law, has not been obtained.
"Vicious Dog"	means any dog which has killed or injured a human without provocation.

PART II - POUND OPERATION

4. A pound is hereby established on premises situate in the District of Maple Ridge, in the Province of British Columbia, and more particularly known and described as .506 acre portion of part of the N.1/2 of the N.E.1/4, Section 3, Township 12, Save and Except Part 2.137 acres, more or less, Reference Plan 6205, New Westminster District.
5. The Council may from time to time, by resolution, enter into a lease agreement with any person, corporation or society hereinafter appointed as Poundkeeper for the operation of the Pound or premises so designated.
6. A Poundkeeper shall be appointed by the Council, by resolution, and to this end, the Council may enter into an agreement with any person, corporation or society to operate the Pound and to act as Poundkeeper for the Municipality.

PART III - RESPONSIBILITIES OF POUNDKEEPER

7. The Poundkeeper, any peace officer, By-law Enforcement Officer or any other person may seize any dog found at large in the Municipality, and such person shall forthwith, after making such seizure, deliver such dog to the Poundkeeper, who shall receive such dog and retain same for a period of seventy-two (72) hours, unless it be sooner reclaimed as hereinafter provided.
8. The Poundkeeper and his assistants may enter at all reasonable times upon any property in order to ascertain whether the regulations of this By-law are being obeyed. Any dog(s) being kept contrary to the provisions of this By-Law may be impounded.
9. The Poundkeeper may, where he has reason to believe that a dog for which the licence for the current year has not been paid, as hereinbefore provided, has taken refuge on any premises, request the occupant of such premises to satisfy him that such licence has been paid, or to deliver forthwith the dog to him, and where any dog is found to be on such premises, as aforesaid, any occupant who fails, neglects or refuses to deliver such dog on request, or who resists or interferes with such Poundkeeper in seizing such dog, shall be deemed to be guilty of an infraction of this by-law.
10. When a complaint is made to the Poundkeeper that a dog is dangerous or diseased, he shall investigate same, and if he is satisfied that such complaint is well founded, shall request the owner of such dog to destroy same, or to keep it in confinement on his own premises; and in such case of non-compliance of the owner with such request, the Poundkeeper may seize the dog and impound the same and within seventy-two (72) hours of such impounding, may apply to the Judge of the Provincial Court for a warrant to destroy such dog. It shall be lawful for any Poundkeeper or Peace Officer to enter upon any private property at all reasonable times, to remove therefrom any dangerous or diseased dog.
11. The Poundkeeper shall give or send to the owner of such dog a written notice of his intention to apply for the said warrant at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the said application being made, and an opportunity shall be given to the said owner to show cause why such warrant should not be granted and the Judge of the Provincial Court may instead of granting such warrant, take from the said owner, an undertaking to keep the said dog in confinement and may order the said owner to pay Poundkeeper the expenses of seizing and maintaining the said dog.
12. In the event the Poundkeeper, being unable to give any notice herein referred to at the address of the registered owner of such dog, or in the event of the address of the owner of such dog not being traceable, such notice may be given by posting on the Notice Board at the Municipal Hall, and such notice shall appear at least twenty-four (24) hours before the application is heard, and it shall have the same force and effect as if given to the said owner personally.
13. It shall be lawful for the Poundkeeper or any peace officer or any other person duly authorized by the Poundkeeper to destroy at once, a diseased or dangerous dog found at large.
14. It shall be the duty of the Poundkeeper:
 - (a) to ensure that every impounded dog, during its period of detention is supplied with sufficient water and food;
 - (b) to dispose of such dog in such manner as the Poundkeeper deems desirable if such dog is not reclaimed within seventy-two (72) hours of its being impounded;
 - (c) to keep a record in which he shall enter, with reference to each dog impounded, the date and hour of impounding, the description of the dog, the name of the person from whom

seized, and the manner in which such dog is disposed of, and that such record shall be open to inspection by the Municipality;

- (d) to keep a record of all monies received by him pursuant to this by-law;
- (e) to pay to the Collector of the Corporation all monies received by him pursuant to this by-law, unless authorized by the Corporation not to pay all monies received by him to the Corporation;

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- (f) to keep the pound open for business from 9:00 in the morning to 6:00 in the evening on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, and on Saturday, Sunday and Statutory Holidays from 9:00 in the morning to 5:00 in the evening.

15. The owner of any dog impounded under this by-law may reclaim same on application to the Poundkeeper, providing proof of ownership, and paying the fees set out in Schedule "A" to this By-law which said schedule is hereby incorporated with and made part of this By-law.

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PART IV – CARE AND CONTROL OF DOGS

15A. No person may keep a dog unless the dog is provided with

- (a) clean, potable drinking water at all times and suitable food of sufficient quantity and quality to allow for normal growth and maintenance of normal body weight;
- (b) food and water receptacles kept clean and disinfected and located so as to avoid contamination by excreta;
- (c) the opportunity for periodic exercise sufficient to maintain good health, including the opportunity to be unfettered from a fixed area and exercised regularly under appropriate control; and
- (d) necessary veterinary medical care when the dog exhibits signs of pain or suffering.

15B. No person may keep a dog which normally resides outside, or which is kept outside for short to extended periods of time, unless the dog is provided with outside shelter

- (a) to ensure protection from heat, cold and wet that is appropriate to the dog's weight and type of coat. Such shelters must provide sufficient space to allow the dog the ability to turn around freely and to easily stand, sit and lie in a normal position;
- (b) at least one and a half (1 ½) times the length of the dog and at least the dog's height measured from the floor to the highest point of the dog when standing in a normal position plus ten percent (10%);
- (c) in an area providing sufficient shade to protect the dog from the direct rays of the sun at all times; and
- (d) which includes a pen and run area which must be regularly cleaned and sanitized and excreta removed and properly disposed of daily.

- 15C. No person may cause a dog to be hitched, tied or fastened to a fixed object where a choke collar or chain forms part of the securing apparatus, or where a rope or cord is tied directly around the dog's neck.
- 15D. No person may cause a dog to be confined in an enclosed space, including an automobile or other vehicle, without adequate ventilation.
16. (a) Every dog shall be prevented from being at large within the Municipality and it shall be unlawful for the owner, possessor, harbourer or custodian of any dog to suffer or permit such dog to be at large within the Municipality.
- (b) A dog shall be deemed to be at large for the purposes of this section at any time that it is unleashed on any highway, park or other public place or when it is on private property it is unleashed and either not wholly contained or not restricted to the private property by cord, chain or fencing sufficient in construction, design and height to contain the dog.
- (c) For the purpose of this section private property includes an automobile or other vehicle, and public property, highway or park includes any common area or recreation area open to the public or a limited clause of the public whether or not private property.
- (d) No automobile or other vehicle owner shall permit by his or her actions or the actions of others a dog to be leashed or otherwise contained in or on an automobile or other vehicle in such a manner that the dog could be ejected outside the perimeter of said automobile or other vehicle while the automobile or other vehicle is in motion. Any infraction of this clause shall be charged against the owner of the vehicle.
- (e) No person who owns, possesses or harbours a dog shall allow the dog to injure or kill another animal.
- (f) No person who owns, possesses or harbours a dog shall allow the dog to harm, injure or kill a human.
- (g) All female dogs in heat shall be confined during the whole period of the heat in such a manner that the dogs presence is not a nuisance to persons residing in the adjacent area.
- (h) Be responsible to immediately clean up and remove defecation from such dog upon any public park and/or any Municipal property.
- (i) Obey any signs erected in any public park or part thereof, restricting or banning entry by dogs or other animals.
17. It shall not be lawful for any person to own any diseased, vicious or dangerous dog within the Municipality unless the same shall be kept sufficiently secured, so as to prevent it from endangering the safety of any person or other animal, and it shall be lawful for the Justice of the Peace or Magistrate before whom any person shall be convicted for a breach of this section, to order that any such dangerous or diseased dog shall be destroyed, and the costs of destroying and disposing of such dog may be collected as if the amount were a fine imposed upon summary conviction, from the owner thereof, in addition to any fine or cost which may lawfully be imposed upon such a person.
18. It shall be unlawful for any person to place or maintain guard dogs in any area for the protection of persons property unless the following provisions are met:

- (a) The dogs shall be confined to an enclosed area adequate to insure they will not escape; or
- (b) They shall be under the absolute control of a handler at all times when not securely enclosed;
- (c) The owner or other persons in control of the premises upon which a guard dog is maintained shall post warning signs on, over or next all exterior doors stating that such a dog is on the premises. At least one such sign shall be posted at each driveway or entranceway to said premises. Such signs shall be in lettering clearly visible from whether the curbline or a distance of fifty (50) feet, whichever is lesser, and shall contain a telephone number where some person responsible for controlling such guard dog can be reached twenty-four (24) hours a day; and
- (d) Prior to the placing of a guard dog on any property, the person or persons responsible for the placing shall inform the By-law Enforcement, S.P.C.A. animal control officer, police department and the fire department, in writing, of their intention to post said dog or dogs, the number of dogs to be posted, the location where said dog or dogs will be posted, the approximate length of time said dog or dogs will be guarding the area, the breed, sex, age and licence number of said dog or dogs. Such notice must be renewed every year.

PART V - DANGEROUS DOGS

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19. No person who owns, possesses or harbours a dangerous dog shall allow the dog to be on any highway or in any other place that is not owned or controlled by that person unless the dog is:
- (a) on a leash; and,
 - (b) effectively muzzled to prevent it from biting another animal or human.
20. Where the Poundkeeper is satisfied that a dangerous dog is being or has been kept or harboured on any premises contrary to this by-law, the Poundkeeper may enter on such premises and seize any such dangerous dog and may impound same for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. If the dangerous dog is known to have inflicted a bite on another animal or a person, it shall be kept in isolation and if it is determined that the dangerous dog is suffering from rabies or any other incurable sickness, the Poundkeeper may immediately destroy such dangerous dog.

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21. Any person who owns, possesses or harbours a dangerous dog shall at all times, while that dog is on premises owned or controlled by that person, keep that dog securely confined either:
- (a) indoors; or,
 - (b) within a fenced yard in an enclosure at least 6 feet in height, 6 feet in length and 4 feet in width, forming or causing an enclosure suitable that is:
 - i. securely enclosed and locked and designed with secure sides, roof and floor;
 - ii. capable of preventing inadvertent entry by any person including a child;
 - iii. adequately constructed to prevent the dog from escaping or inflicting harm on any person or domestic animal in conjunction with other measures which may be taken, such as tethering of the dog; and,
 - iv. posted with a sign at each point of entry advising that a dangerous dog is within.

22. The owner of any dangerous dog which has been impounded under Section 20 and which has not been determined to be suffering from rabies or any other incurable sickness may reclaim such dangerous dog within the seventy-two (72) hour impounding period or notwithstanding Section 11, at any time prior to its destruction on application to the Poundkeeper, on proof of ownership of the dangerous dog, and on payment of the fees prescribed by Schedule "A".
23. If a dangerous dog which has been impounded under Section 20 is not reclaimed within the seventy-two (72) hour impounding period, the Poundkeeper may cause such dangerous dog to be destroyed; provided that where the owner of such dangerous dog requests a further period of time in which to construct an enclosure for the dangerous dog, the Poundkeeper may extend the time limit to reclaim the dangerous dog for a period of not more than seventy-two (72) hours upon receiving payment in advance of all fees prescribed by Schedule "A".
24. Where a dangerous dog which has been impounded under Section 20 and reclaimed by the owner is subsequently found to be at large or not under control as required by this By-law, the Poundkeeper or any Peace Officer may enter on any premises and seize such dangerous dog and may cause such dangerous dog to be destroyed.
25. Where a dangerous dog has been impounded, the dog must be tattooed by the S.P.C.A., prior to being returned to the owner of the dog. The fee for the required tattooing shall be as prescribed in Schedule "A".

PART VI - VICIOUS DOGS

26. No vicious dog shall be at large within the municipality and it shall be unlawful for the owner, possessor, harbourer or custodian of any vicious dog to suffer or permit such dog to be at large within the municipality.

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27. No person who owns, possesses or harbours a vicious dog shall allow the dog to be on any highway or in any other place that is not owned or controlled by that person unless the dog is:

- (a) on a leash; and,
- (b) effectively muzzled to prevent it from biting another animal or human.

28. Where the Poundkeeper is satisfied that a vicious dog is being or has been kept or harboured on any premises contrary to this by-law, the Poundkeeper may enter on such premises and seize any such vicious dog and may impound same for a period of seventy-two (72) hours. If the vicious dog is known to have inflicted a bite on another animal or a person, it shall be kept in isolation and if it is determined that the vicious dog is suffering from rabies or any other incurable sickness, the Poundkeeper may immediately destroy such vicious dog.

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29. Any person who owns, possesses or harbours a vicious dog shall at all times, while that dog is on premises owned or controlled by that person, keep the dog securely confined either:

- (a) indoors; or,
- (b) within a fenced yard in an enclosure at least 6 feet in height, 6 feet in length and 4 feet in width, forming or causing an enclosure suitable that is:
 - i. securely enclosed and locked and designed with secure sides, roof and floor;
 - ii. capable of preventing inadvertent entry by any person including a child;
 - iii. adequately constructed to prevent the dog from escaping or inflicting harm on any person or domestic animal in conjunction with other measures which may be taken, such as tethering of the dog; and,

- iv. posted with a sign at each point of entry advising that a vicious dog is within.

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30. The owner of any vicious dog which has been impounded under Section 28 and which has not been determined to be suffering from rabies or any other incurable sickness, may reclaim such vicious dog within the seventy-two (72) hour impounding period or notwithstanding Section 11, at any time prior to its destruction on application to the Poundkeeper, on proof of ownership of the vicious dog, and on payment of the fees prescribed by Schedule "A".

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31. If a vicious dog which has been impounded under Section 28 is not reclaimed within the seventy-two (72) hour impounding period, the Poundkeeper may cause such vicious dog to be destroyed; provided that where the owner of such dangerous dog requests a further period of time in which to construct an enclosure for the vicious dog, the Poundkeeper may extend the time limit to reclaim the vicious dog for a period of not more than seventy-two (72) hours upon receiving payment in advance of all fees prescribed by Schedule "A".

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32. Where a vicious dog which has been impounded under Section 28 and reclaimed by the owner is subsequently found to be at large or not under control as required by this By-law, the Poundkeeper or any Peace Officer may enter on any premises and seize such vicious dog and may cause such vicious dog to be destroyed.

33. No person who owns, possesses or harbours a vicious dog shall allow the dog to harm, injure or kill a human.

34. **Deleted in its entirety by By-law No. 5299-1995**

35. Where a vicious dog has been impounded and has been found in violation of Section 26 and/or Section 33 of this Part, the dog shall not be returned to the owner until the fees prescribed in Schedule "A" are paid in full.

PART VII - LICENCING OF DOGS

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36. No person shall own, keep, harbour or have in his possession any dog unless a licence has been obtained pursuant to the terms of this by-law.

37. No person or persons shall own, keep, harbour or have in their possession more than three (3) dogs over the age of four (4) months per lot as defined in the Maple Ridge Zoning By-law, unless a permit has first been obtained pursuant to Maple Ridge Kennel Regulation By-law.

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38. Dog licence fees, pursuant to this By-law shall become due and payable in respect to any dog on the second day of January in each year and the amount thereof shall be as set forth in Schedule "B" to this By-law, which said schedule is hereby incorporated with and made part of this By-law.

39. The Collector for the Municipality, and such other persons, corporations or societies as the Council may by resolution authorize, shall have the duty to receive dog licence fees and the power to issue dog licences on behalf of the Municipality.

40. Every licence shall be distinguished by a number and a record shall be kept of all licences issued, and for the purpose of identification, a general description of the dog, in respect of which such licence was issued.

41. There shall be issued with each dog licence a suitable tag which shall be impressed or stamped with the number corresponding to the number of the licence and with figures denoting the calendar year in which the licence is valid.
42. Every owner of a dog licensed under this by-law shall provide and keep on the dog a suitable collar to which shall be secured at all times the tag issued in connection with the licencing of such dog.
43. Any person who, without authority, removes a tag from any dog except to replace an expired licence tag, shall be deemed to be guilty of an infraction of this by-law.
44. Every dog licence issued under this by-law shall expire on the thirty-first day of December next, following the date which the licence takes effect.
45. (a) Where the owner of a dog in respect of which a licence is issued under this By-law sells or otherwise ceases to be the owner of the dog, the licence may be transferred to the new owner.

(b) Notwithstanding (a) above, where a dog owner operates a licensed Kennel pursuant to Section (5) or (6) of Maple Ridge Kennel Regulation By-law No. 3329-1983 as amended, and that owner sells or otherwise ceases to be the owner of the dog, the licence shall be transferable to another dog not previously licensed by the original purchaser of the licence. Schedule "B" of this By-law shall apply to that portion of the new licence not covered by the original licence.

PART VIII - PENALTIES

46. Any person who extricates or attempts to extricate or interfere with any dog seized and impounded under the provisions of this by-law, or interfere with or obstruct or impede the Poundkeeper in the execution of his duties shall be deemed to be guilty of an infraction thereof, and liable to the penalties imposed and authorized in this by-law.
47. Every person who violates or who causes to be violated any of the provisions of this by-law, shall be guilty of an offence against the by-law, and each day that such violation is caused or allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offence.

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48. Every person who contravenes or violates any provision of this by-law, or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or violation of any provision of this By-law, or who neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done by any provision of this By-law, commits an offence and, upon summary conviction therefore, shall be liable to a fine of not more than the maximum fine provided by the "Offence Act".
49. No provisions in this By-law shall be construed to limit or otherwise supersede the provisions of the Livestock Protection Act as it applies to the District of Maple Ridge. Copy of Livestock Protection Act of this date attached for information only.

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PART IX – SEVERABILITY

50. If any part, section, subsection, clause, or subclause of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision does not affect the validity or the remaining portions of this Bylaw.

READ a first time this 18th day of November, 1991 A.D.

READ a second time this 18th day of November, 1991 A.D.

READ a third time this 18th day of November, 1991 A.D.

RECONSIDERED, finally passed and adopted this 9th day of December, A.D. 1991

_____ MAYOR

_____ CLERK

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**MAPLE RIDGE DOG POUND AND DOG CONTROL
BY-LAW NO. 4524 - 1991
SCHEDULE "A"**

Impound Fees

1. For a Licenced Dog
 - (a) first impoundment \$ 50.00
 - (b) second impoundment \$ 75.00
 - (c) third and subsequent impoundments \$150.00

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2. For an Unlicenced Dog
 - (a) first impoundment \$ 75.00
plus licence fee
3. For Each Vicious or Dangerous Dog
 - (a) first impoundment \$500.00
 - (b) second and subsequent impoundment \$1000.00

Maintenance Fees

4. In addition to the impound fees set out above, the dog owner shall be charged a maintenance fee of:
 - (a) For each dog \$10.00
per day after the first day

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**MAPLE RIDGE DOG POUND AND DOG CONTROL AMENDING
BY-LAW NO. 6004 - 2001
SCHEDULE "B"**

Annual Dog Licence Fees

1. Dog licence fees shall be as follows:

	<u>Paid before January 31 of the Current Calendar Year</u>	<u>Paid on or after January 31 of the Current Calendar Year</u>
(a) Male or female dog	\$52.00	\$68.00
(b) Neutered dog	\$25.00	\$41.00

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- (c) If a person acquires or purchases a dog anytime between August 1st and December 31st and applies for a dog licence within thirty (30) days of such acquisition or purchase along with reasonable proof of the date of acquisition or purchase, the fee for such dog licence is twenty-six dollars (\$26.00) or twelve dollars and fifty cents (\$12.50) if the dog is neutered
2. An owner of a dog licensed under Section 1(a) above, may apply to the Municipality for a twenty-seven (\$27.00) rebate if a Certificate of Castration/Ovariohysterectomy from a registered veterinary surgeon is provided and the claim is made in the same calendar year as the year in which the fees were paid.
3. A fee of five dollars (\$5.00) will be charged for:
- (a) replacing a lost dog tag;
 - (b) transferring a dog licence from one owner to another;
 - (c) transferring a dog licence from a deceased dog to a new dog if both dogs are neutered or both dogs are not neutered; or
 - (d) transferring a dog licence from another municipality to this one.
4. A rebate of fifty per cent (50%) of the licence fee paid shall be given to an owner who provides the Corporation with a written application during the current year and reasonable proof of the death of the licensed dog in the first six months of the year.

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5. The owner of a seeing eye, hearing or other type of assistance dog shall provide satisfactory proof to the District of Maple Ridge as to the use of the dog for such purpose; no fee will be charged. Where a physician deems that a dog is necessary for medical purposes, a letter from the physician shall be required and no fee will be charged.