

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF MAPLE RIDGE

BY-LAW NO. 1045 - 1971

A By-law to authorize the keeping of racing pigeons, fancy pigeons, caged birds and exotic birds of all species, in the RS-1, RS-2, RM-1, RM-2, RM-3 and RT-1 zones within the Municipality of Maple Ridge and authorizing the issuance of licenses for structures to house said birds for hobby and exhibition purposes.

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NOW THEREFORE, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge in open meeting assembled, pursuant to Section 870(a) and 871(i)(e) of the Municipal Act, R.S.B.C., 1960 ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This By-law may be cited as "Maple Ridge Pigeon Control By-law No. 1045 - 1971".
2. Part I - Keeping and Control of Above Birds  
For Hobby and Exhibition Purposes.

No person, being the owner or keeper of above birds or upon whose land such birds are kept, shall allow, suffer or permit such to perch, roost, or nest upon the land or buildings of any person in the Municipality of Maple Ridge, or to stray, feed, or roost on any highway or public place save and except:

- (a) the real property of which the holder is the owner or lessee.
- (b) for the purpose of exercising or racing when such birds shall be under the control of the owner.
- (c) that the number of racing pigeons maintained in any loft be regulated by:
  - (i) size of loft - permitting 2½ square feet per bird.
  - (ii) size of lot - on which any loft is maintained permitting 1½ birds per 100 square feet of this area.
- (d) Fancy Pigeons - 3 square feet per bird, excluding flight pen.
- (e) Caged Birds - roosting area approximately ½ square foot per bird.
- (f) Large Caged Varieties - 1 square foot per bird.

Note: These are all minimum sizes.

3. Part II - Care of Such Birds
  - A. All lands and premises where such birds are kept shall be maintained in a sanitary condition at all times and all cleanings from said birds and premises shall be disposed of in a manner that will not create a nuisance or health hazard.

- B. In the event that a fancier suspects that his birds are infected with a communicable disease he shall forthwith consult a licensed Veterenarian to diagnose the condition. If this diagnosis is confirmed, the owner must notify the Medical Health Office immediately. The owner must then undertake immediate instructions outlined by the Health Officer.
- C. Upon reasonable request the Medical Health Officer or his representatives may enter upon property where such birds are kept for the purpose of inspecting such birds and the facilities for housing the same, and may take such action as he deems necessary to ensure that the provisions of this By-law are complied with.
- D. Every building, structure or enclosure used for keeping such birds shall be so constructed as to be airy, dry and light, and shall be lime-washed or painted on the inside at least once every year. The outside must be maintained in a clean and respectable manner.
- E. When complaints are received, the appropriate club shall investigate and report in writing to the proper officials.

READ a first time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 1971.

READ a second time this 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 1971.

READ a third time this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, A.D., 1971.

RECONSIDERED, finally passed, signed and the seal of the Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge affixed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of NOVEMBER, A.D., 1971.

P. JENKIN

MAYOR

[Signature]

CLERK

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Maple Ridge Pigeon Control By-law No. 1045 - 1971, duly passed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of NOVEMBER, A.D., 1971.

[Signature]

CLERK