

BYLAW 5.2025

Town of Willow Bunch Fire Pit Bylaw

The Council of the Town of Willow Bunch, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

1. Title

This bylaw may be cited as the "**Fire Pit Bylaw**" for the Town of Willow Bunch.

2. Purpose

To regulate the use of fire pits within the municipality to ensure public safety and prevent fire hazards.

3. Definitions

- **Fire Pit:** A non-combustible container designed for open-air burning.
- **Administrator:** The Administrator of the Town of Willow Bunch.
- **Fire Chief:** The current Fire Chief (or Deputy Fire Chief) for the Town of Willow Bunch and RM of Willow Bunch Volunteer Fire Department.

4. Regulations

- Fire pits must be constructed of **rock, concrete, clay, brick, or sheet metal**.
- Only **charcoal, seasoned wood, or manufactured logs** may be burned.
- Fire pits must be **at least 3 meters away** from any structure, fence, or combustible material.
- Fires must be **supervised at all times** and fully extinguished before leaving.
- No burning of **garbage, leaves, or treated wood** is permitted.
- The Town Council may **declare a fire ban** at any time, restricting fire pit use.

5. Enforcement & Penalties

1. Fire Chief or, in his/her absence, the Deputy fire Chief has the authority to inspect fire pits to ensure they meet safety regulations. If a fire pit is found to be in violation of the bylaw, the Fire Chief will notify the Town and this may result in the issuance of fines as set out below.
 - a) **Failure to comply with fire pit regulations** – Fine of \$250 for first offence, \$500 for repeat offences.
 - b) **Burning prohibited materials (garbage, leaves, treated wood, etc.)** – Fine of \$500.
 - c) **Failure to supervise fire pit while in use** – Fine of \$300.
 - d) **Lighting a fire during a fire ban** – Fine of \$1,000.
 - e) **Causing property damage due to improper fire pit use** – Fine of \$2,500 plus liability for damages.
 - f) **Failure to extinguish fire properly** – Fine of \$400.
 - g) **Repeat violations** – Possible revocation of fire pit privileges

6. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the date of final passing thereof.

Read three times and adopted this 2nd day of July, 2025




MAYOR


ADMINISTRATOR