

## **Noxious Weeds Bylaw, 2000, No. 8080**

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Includes Bylaw Amendments No. 8685, 9053, 9123 and 9698.

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF SAANICH**

**BYLAW NO. 8080**

**TO PROVIDE FOR THE REMOVAL OF NOXIOUS WEEDS  
AND OTHER VEGETATION FROM REAL PROPERTY**

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The Municipal Council of The Corporation of the District of Saanich enacts as follows:

1. For the purposes of this bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

**“COLLECTOR”** means the Collector of Taxes of The Corporation of the District of Saanich.

**“MANAGER OF BYLAW AND LICENSING SERVICES”** means the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services of the Corporation of the District of Saanich, and includes any person authorize to act on their behalf.

**“NOXIOUS WEED”** means any weed listed in the Schedule hereto.

2. Every owner of real property in the Municipality of Saanich shall clear such real property of all brush, noxious weeds or other vegetation which because of their condition are likely to spread to or become a nuisance to other real property in the vicinity or which are so unkempt as to be unsightly to nearby residents.
3. Where the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services finds upon any real property any brush, noxious weeds or other vegetation which are likely to spread or to become a nuisance to other real property in the vicinity or which are so unkempt as to be unsightly to nearby residents, he or she may give notice to the owner of the real property requiring the owner to clear such real property of the brush, noxious weeds or other vegetation within the time specified in the notice.
4. Every notice given by the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services pursuant to this bylaw shall be in writing by him or her and addressed to the person or persons to whom it is given and where the notice requires any person to do or perform any act, it shall state a time within which the act is to be done, which time shall not be less than five (5) clear days from the date of the service of the notice.
5. Any notice given by the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services pursuant to this bylaw may be served personally upon the person to whom it is addressed or may be served by leaving it with some person apparently over the age of sixteen years at the dwelling-house or place of business of the person to whom it is given or may be served by mailing it by registered mail to the most recent address of such person as shown on the last assessment roll of The Corporation of the District of Saanich. Where the notice is

served by registered mail, service shall be deemed to have been effected when notice of receipt of the registered letter is received.

6. Where more than one person is shown upon the assessment roll of the Corporation as being the owners of real property, service of a notice upon any one of such owners in accordance with Section 5 shall be deemed to be good and sufficient service upon all the owners.
7. Where, after the time stated in any notice given pursuant to this bylaw, the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services finds that the requirements of the notice have not been carried out, he or she or any person or persons directed by him or her may forthwith enter upon the real property described in the notice and effect the clearing required by the notice at the expense of the owner or owners thereof.
8. The Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services shall keep an accurate account of the charges incurred by The Corporation pursuant to Section 7 hereof, and when the clearing is completed, shall mail a statement of such charges to the owner of real property upon whom the notice was served, with a demand for payment of same.
9. If the charges set forth in any statement mailed pursuant to Section 8 hereof are not paid by the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December in the then current year, the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services shall deliver a copy of the statement to the Collector verified by a statutory declaration stating that such charges were duly incurred pursuant to this bylaw and upon receipt of such statement and declaration, the Collector shall add the amount of the charges to the Collector's Roll in respect of the real property and such charges shall then be added to and form part of the taxes payable in respect of such real property as taxes in arrears. The failure to mail a statement pursuant to Section 8 shall not be a bar to the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services and the Collector proceeding pursuant to this Section.
10. (a) The Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services, or any of his or her inspectors, may enter at all reasonable times, upon any property in order to ascertain whether the regulations set out in this bylaw are being obeyed.  
  
(b) No person shall prevent or obstruct, or attempt to prevent or obstruct, the entry onto any property of the Manager of Bylaw and Licensing Services, a bylaw enforcement officer, or any other employee of the Municipality authorized by this bylaw to enter onto property.
11. No person shall do any act or suffer or permit any act or thing to be done in contravention of this bylaw.
12. Every person who contravenes this bylaw by doing any act which it forbids, or omitting to do any act which it requires to be done, is guilty of an offence and is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine of not less than \$100.00.

13. The penalties imposed under Section 12 hereof shall be in addition to and not in substitution for any other penalty or remedy imposed by this bylaw.
14. Bylaw No. 6015, being the "Noxious Weeds Bylaw, 1988" is hereby repealed except insofar as it repeals any other bylaws.
15. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "**Noxious Weeds Bylaw, 2000, No. 8080**".

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**SCHEDULE**

WILD MUSTARD (BRASSICA SPP.)  
CANADA THISTLE (CIRSIUM ARVENSE (L.))  
OX-EYE DAISY (LEUCANTHEMUM VULGARE)  
BINDWEED OR MORNING GLORY (CONVOLVULUS AND CALYSTEGIA SPP.)  
WILD CARROT (DAUCUS CAROTA (L.))  
COUCHGRASS/QUACKGRASS (ELYMUS REPENS (L.))  
PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE (LYTHRUM SALICARIA (L.))  
GIANT HOGWEED (HERACLEUM MANTEGAZZIANUM)  
POISON HEMLOCK (CONIUM MACULATUM)  
GARLIC MUSTARD (ALLIARIA PETIOLATA)  
BLESSED MILK THISTLE (SILYBUM MARIANUM)  
KNOTWEEDS (FALLOPIA SPP. AND POLYGONUM SPP.)