

The Village of Viscount

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Pest Control Policy for: Village of Viscount

Background

This policy refers to the Village of Viscount to provide for means of controlling or destroying pests & wildlife within the municipality.

Purpose

To establish a provision for Pest Control Contractors to control pests and other animals with the use of firearm in order to protect, preserve and perpetuate the health, beauty and safety of the Village of Viscount for the enjoyment of its citizens.

Administration

The administrator or administrative assistant of the Village of Viscount.

Pest Control Contractor

Any person appointed by the Administration to trap, hunt and dispose of any pest animals.

Pest Control

Administration may appoint Pest Control Contractors to trap, hunt and dispose of animals; and remove or destroy the den, house, nest, dam or usual place of habitation of any wildlife.

The Pest Control Contractor must provide a copy of their current Firearms License.

Pursuant to clause 6(2) (a) of *The Wildlife Regulations, 1981*, a Pest Control Contractor may capture or kill any wildlife that is wounded, diseased, a danger to the public or a public nuisance.

Pursuant to clause 6(2) (b) of *The Wildlife Regulations, 1981*, a Pest Control Contractor may remove or destroy the den, house, nest, dam or usual place of habitation of any wildlife that is causing or likely to cause damage to property.

Pursuant to clause 13(3) & 13(3.1) of *The Wildlife Regulations, 1981*, a Pest Control Contractor may hunt those animals listed in clauses 4(a) to (l)

Permitted hunting

4(1) Subject to the other provisions of these regulations, outside of game preserves, road corridor game preserves, wildlife refuges, wildlife management units, regional parks, provincial parks, protected areas or recreation sites, any person may, without a licence, hunt:

(a) reptilia (snakes and turtles) other than rattlesnakes, bullsnakes, hognosed snakes, smooth green snakes, eastern yellow-bellied racers, northern red-bellied snakes, short-horned lizards and snapping turtles;

(b) amphibia (frogs and salamanders), other than great plains toads and northern leopard frogs;

(c) lagomorpha (rabbits);

(d) insectivora (shrews);

(e) rodentia (mice and rats), other than red squirrels, muskrats, black-tailed prairie dogs, Ord's kangaroo rats and, subject to subsection (2), beavers;

(f) mephitidae (skunks);

(g) procyonidae (raccoons);

(h) icteridae (blackbirds), other than rusty blackbirds, bobolinks, Baltimore orioles, Bullock's orioles, orchard orioles and western meadowlarks;

(i) passeridae (house sparrows);

(j) sturnidae (starlings);

(k) columbidae (pigeons and doves), other than band-tailed pigeons, mourning doves and white-winged doves;

(l) corvidae (crows, magpies and jays), other than blue jays, gray jays, Clark's nutcrackers and ravens;

of the *Wildlife Regulations, 1981* within 500(five hundred) metres of any building, stockage or corral within the Village of Viscount without the consent of the owner.

The Pest Control Contractor may shoot muskrats in the lagoon as they are declared a pest by the municipality, as they are eroding the banks by digging.

Authorization Letter:

The Village of Viscount will authorize individuals for pest control by an authorization letter.