

Impoundment *(part 3.3):*

The Animal Control Officer may seize, impound and detain an unidentified dog or a dog unlawfully at large.

Impounded dogs may be reclaimed within five (5) days on proof of ownership and by paying an impound fee as follows:

Impoundment Fees:

	Number of impoundments (within any one year)		
	1st	2nd	3rd or More
Dog	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$75.00
Dangerous Dog	\$250.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00

Maintenance Fees:

First Day	\$7.00
Second Day	16.00
Third and Subsequent Days	32.00

Penalties *(part 5):*

The suggested penalties for violating individual parts of the bylaw are as follows:

Part	Number of violations (within any one year)		
	1st	2nd	3rd or More
3.1 a), c) & d)	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
3.1 b)	\$50.00	\$150.00	\$250.00
3.2 a)	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
4.1 b) & c)	\$50.00	\$100.00	\$200.00

For Further information or assistance contact:

Bowen Island Municipality
Box 279 - 981 Artisan Lane
Bowen Island, BC V0N 1G0
Tel: (604) 947-4255

Or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer:

Bowen Island Bylaw Services
RR 1 Box Q1
Bowen Island, BC V0N 1G0

Tel: (604) 328-5499

7:00 am - 10:00 pm Daily

This brochure summarizes the Bowen Island Municipality Bylaw No. 30, 2001, "A Bylaw regulating the keeping and controlling of dogs". This pamphlet is not a legal document. Certified copies of the original bylaw should be consulted for all interpretations and applications of the bylaws on this subject. Copies are available at Bowen Island Municipal Hall.

The bolded numbers appearing in parenthesis relate to the appropriate part of Bowen Island Municipality Dog Control Bylaw No. 30, 2001.

For example: (part #.#)



Bowen Island Municipality

Information for Dog Owners on Bowen Island



Bowen Island's population is growing, and an increasing number of visitors are coming to the Island. Dogs running loose have become a serious problem. Most owners care for their dogs responsibly and do not allow them to disrupt the community. However, a minority of owners do let their dogs roam at large, and some of these animals have harassed people, ransacked garbage cans, killed deer and caused thousands of dollars worth of damage to livestock. This brochure outlines some of the regulations contained in Bowen Island Municipality Dog Control Bylaw No. 30, 2001, which applies to all dogs on Bowen Island and their owners - both residents and visitors.

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Know Your Responsibilities

Keeping of Dogs:

- Dog owners must remove any faeces left by their dogs while in any public traffic area or property other than the property of its owner. **(part 3.1 a)**
- No owner shall permit his or her dog to, without provocation **(part 3.1 b)**:
 - i) chase, bite or attack any person,
 - ii) chase, bite or attack any companion, domestic or wild animal,
 - iii) damage public or private property.
- Dog owners may not permit their dogs to run at large and dogs must be kept on a leash or under the control of a competent person while on a highway or public place. **(part 3.1 c)**
- Dogs are not allowed on the following beaches during the months of **July & August**. **(part 3.1 d)**:

Sandy Beach

Tunstall Bay Beach

Bowen Bay Beach

Identification:

- All dogs residing on Bowen Island must be identified with a tag attached to its collar stating the owner's name and telephone number. **(part 3.2 a)**
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Noise:

Bowen Island Municipality Noise Control Bylaw No. 108, 2004 states:

No person shall allow any animal in their control or possession which, by its calls, cries, barks or other noise, disturbs or tends to disturb the quiet, peace, rest, enjoyment, comfort or convenience of the neighbourhood or of persons in the vicinity

Shelter:

The shelter is located at 1150 Grafton Road, Bowen Island, B.C. All Impounded dogs are held for five (5) days unless its rightful owner claims the dog.

Dangerous Dogs:

- Dangerous dogs shall be dealt with by the Animal Control Officer pursuant to Section 707.1 of the Local Government Act. **(part 4.1 a)**
- At all times when off the owner's property, a dangerous dog shall be muzzled. **(part 4.1 b)**
- At all times when off the owner's property, a dangerous dog shall be on a leash not longer than two meters and be under the control of a responsible person over the age of eighteen. **(part 4.1 c)**

A Copy of Section 49 of the Community Charter (formerly Section 707.1 of the Local Government Act) can be viewed at Bowen Island Municipal Hall at 981 Artisan Lane, Bowen Island, B.C.

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