

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF KEARNEY

## BY-LAW 2024 - 28

### BEING A BY-LAW TO LICENCE TRAILERS IN THE TOWN OF KEARNEY

**WHEREAS** the *Municipal Act*, S.O. 2001 as amended, Section 164 authorizes a municipality to pass By-laws to license trailers.

**AND WHEREAS** the Town of Kearney Bylaw #2022-20, known as the Comprehensive Zoning By-law Section 3.30.1 and Section 3.30. 2 as amended states:

*Section 3.30.1 Travel trailers, motor homes, campers or recreational vehicles shall be stored in the rear or interior side yard and must meet the yard and setback requirements for an accessory building.*

*ii) A maximum of one (1) travel trailer, motor home or camper may be stored in Residential and Rural Zones. Travel trailers, motor homes and campers may be parked in parking spaces that comply with the provisions of Section 3.18 of this By-law.*

*3.30.2 One (1) travel trailer, motor home or camper may be used in the yard of a Residential or Rural Zone, where the camper meets the required setbacks for an accessory building unless otherwise permitted by special exemption.*

*ii) A travel trailer, motor home or camper parked or stored on a property for more than fourteen (14) days in any calendar year and used for human occupation must have a Camper License issued by the Town of Kearney in compliance with the current Camper Licensing By-law, unless it is located in a Camping Establishment.*

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council for The Corporation of the Town of Kearney REPEALS By-law # 2013-17, and ENACTS the following:

#### **SECTION 1 – TITLE AND APPLICATION**

1.1 This By-law shall be cited as the 'Trailer License' By-law.

1.2 The licensing provisions enacted by this By-law does not apply to:

- a) Assessed Trailers as defined in Section 2.7
- b) Trailers located in Trailer Camps, Commercial as defined in Section 2.4
- c) A Stored Trailer as defined in Section 2.6
- d) A trailer or park model trailer used during the construction of a dwelling on a lot.

1.3 This By-law applies to any trailer, even if the trailer was placed on the property prior to date of enactment of this By-law.

#### **SECTION 2 – DEFINITIONS**

2.1 TOWN – means The Corporation of The Town of Kearney and shall be defined as the lands and premises within the corporate limits.

2.2 TRAILER – means any vehicle so constructed that it is suitable for being attached to a motor vehicle for the purpose of being drawn, is propelled by the motor vehicle or is a self-propelled camping unit and is capable of being used for the living, sleeping, or eating accommodation of any persons. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing includes, a park model trailer, a tent trailer, a camper trailer, a recreational trailer, a fifth wheel, a bus converted into a motor home, a motor home, a truck camper but does not include a mobile home or accessory building, structure or use as defined in the Town of Kearney's Comprehensive Zoning By-law.

2.3 TRAILER, PARK MODEL – means a manufactured building under the Ontario Building Code O. Reg. 332/12 Section 9.38 "Park Model Trailers" which has

been designed and constructed in conformance with the standards of CSA-Z241 "Park Model Trailers", and which is used as a recreational vehicle or building that meets the following criteria:

- a) Built on a single chassis mounted on wheels; and
  - b) Designed to facilitate relocation from time to time; and
  - c) Designed as living quarters for seasonal camping which may be connected to utilities necessary for the operation of installed fixtures and appliances; and
  - d) Built with a gross floor area, including lofts, not exceeding 50 square metres (538 sq. ft.) when in the set-up mode; and
  - e) Built with a width greater than 2.6 metres (8.5 feet) in the transit mode.
- 2.4 TRAILER CAMP, COMMERCIAL – means any land in or upon which any trailer or tent is used or intended to be used for human occupation on a temporary or seasonal basis and shall not include mobile homes or park model trailers.
- 2.5 SELF-PROPELLED CAMPING UNIT – means a motor vehicle designed, equipped and used for overnight sleeping accommodation and that includes built-in facilities for sleeping, cooking and refrigeration.
- 2.6 STORED TRAILER – means any MTO plated trailer located on a property for the purpose of storing such trailer.
- 2.7 ASSESSED TRAILER – means any trailer legally located on a property and that is assessed under the *Assessment Act*.
- 2.8 PERMANENT BASIS – means either year-round occupancy or occupancy by persons who do not maintain elsewhere a usual or normal place of residence.
- 2.9 OCCASIONAL USE – means the use is valid for no more than 14 days for temporary accommodations on any property within the licensing season.
- 2.10 CAMPING/TRAILER ESTABLISHMENT Lands used for the parking and temporary use for multiple campsites occupied by tents, trailers, motor homes, truck campers and recreational vehicles and accessory uses and facilities such as administrative offices, sanitary facilities, recreational facilities and an accessory convenience store

### **SECTION 3 – LICENCE AND REGULATIONS**

- 3.1 No person shall use or permit to be used, a trailer, on lands that are not permitted under the current Comprehensive Zoning By-law for the Town, unless such trailer is licensed under this By-law. For clarity, pursuant to Section 1.3 of this By-law, this requirement to obtain a license applies to trailers which were located on property prior to the date of passage of this By-law.
- 3.2 A license issued pursuant to this By-law authorizes the use and maintenance of a trailer for temporary accommodations only. The issuance of a license does not grant the licensee the authority to occupy the trailer on a permanent basis. In furtherance of the foregoing, no person shall occupy or permit to be occupied a trailer during the period commencing December 1st of a calendar year and ending April 30th of the following calendar year.
- 3.3 The issuance of a license is not intended and shall not be construed as permission or consent by the Town for the holder of the license to contravene or to fail to observe or comply with any law of Canada, Ontario or any By-law of the Town.
- 3.4 A maximum of one (1) trailer licensed under this By-law is permitted on a single vacant parcel of land. Trailers, Park Model are not permitted on a single vacant parcel of land.

- 3.5 The owner of the property upon which the trailer is to be located shall consent to its placement on the property in writing.
- 3.6 Trailers must remain as manufactured free from addition or structures.
- 3.7 Heat sources and appliances must compliant with appropriate standards. Including but not limited to the ESA, WETT and TSSA.
- 3.8 No Camper shall be licensed unless it is connected to or served by a sewage system that is constructed, operated and maintained as per part 8 of the Ontario Building Code and enforced by North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority, unless the camper contains an integral holding tank to be emptied at a facility licensed by the Ministry of the Environment.

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#### **SECTION 4 – LICENCE APPLICATION AND FEES**

- 4.1 All applications for such license shall be made to the Town upon the prescribed form and shall include the submissions referenced therein, including payment of the License Fee required, as per the Town's current 'Fees and Charges' By-law.
- 4.2 No license shall be issued, unless:
  - a) the trailer for which such license is issued is located in compliance with the setback requirements for a dwelling unit as prescribed by the Town's 'Zoning' By-law, for the zone in which it is located.
- 4.3 The Town may issue the following class of licenses:
  - a) Annual license – this license authorizes the placement of the trailer upon a property for a complete calendar year or any portion thereof, and its occupancy between May 1st and November 30th in the calendar year;.
- 4.4 Licenses shall be displayed in or upon the trailer in a place that can be seen easily from the outside of the trailer.
- 4.5 All Annual Licenses expire on December 31st and all Short-Term Licenses expire on the date specified in the license.
- 4.6 No person shall hinder or obstruct the Chief Building Official, Fire Official or By-law Enforcement Officer who are attempting to perform the initial trailer license inspection or the annual trailer license inspection of both the interior and the exterior of a licensed trailer.

#### **SECTION 5 – ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

- 5.1 The administration and enforcement of this By-law is delegated to the Clerk, Treasurer, the Chief Building Official and the By-law Officer, or designate for the Town of Kearney. The Clerk or designate shall have the authority to issue permits under this By-law; notwithstanding the foregoing, the Clerk, in his/her discretion, may refer applications to Council.
- 5.2 Any Person who contravenes any provision(s) of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for in the Provincial Offences Act.
- 5.3 Each day that a contravention of this By-law continues may constitute a separate offence.
- 5.4 Every person who provides false information in any application for a license under this By-law or in an application for a renewal of license is guilty of an offence.
- 5.5 Where a conviction is entered under this section, in addition to any other remedy or any penalty provided, the court in which the conviction was entered, and any court of competent jurisdiction thereafter, may make an order prohibiting the continuation or repetition of the offence by the person convicted.
- 5.6 If the Town is satisfied that a contravention of this By-law has occurred, the By-law Officer may make an order requiring the person who contravened this By-law or who caused or permitted the contravention or the owner or occupier of the trailer to discontinue and or remove the contravening activity.
- 5.7 Any person who fails to comply with an order made under subsection 5.6 is guilty of an offence.

- 5.8 Every contravention of this By-law may be restrained by application at the instance of a taxpayer or of the Municipality in accordance with the provisions of the *Municipal Act*, 2001.
- 5.9 A Town employee, Staff person, agent or contractor hired by the Town, accompanied by any person under his or her direction, may enter onto any land that is used or believed to be used in contravention of this By-law for the purposes set out in subsection 436 (1) of the *Municipal Act*, 2001 and shall have all powers of inspection set out in subsection 436 (2) of the Act.
- 5.10 Any trailers used, maintained or located in contravention of this By-law shall be removed from the lot, at the expense of the owner of the lot. Failure to remove any trailers from a lot within the time prescribed by the By-law Officer may result in the removal of said trailer by the Town, at the expense of the owner of the lot.

**SECTION 6 – REPEAL, VALIDITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE**

- 6.1 If any section, clause or provision of this By-law is for any reason declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the By-law as a whole or any part thereof other than that section, clause or provision so declared to be invalid and it is hereby declared to be the intention that all remaining sections, clauses or provisions of the By-law shall remain in full force and effect until repealed, notwithstanding that one or more provisions thereof shall have been declared to be invalid.
- 6.2 The Clerk of the Town of Kearney is hereby authorized to make any minor modifications or corrections of an administrative, numeric, grammatic, semantic or descriptive nature or kind to the by-law and schedule(s) as may be deemed necessary after the passage of this by-law, where such modifications or corrections do not alter the intent of the by-law.
- 6.3 This By-law repeals By-law #2013-17 and any other by-laws that are in contravention of this by-law .
- 6.4 This By-law shall come into effect on the date of the third reading and it being passed.

Read in its entirety, approved, signed  
and the seal of the Corporation affixed  
thereto and finally passed in open  
Council this \_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

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MAYOR

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CLERK

**SCHEDULE A to BY-LAW # 2024-24**

**APPLICATION FOR TRAILER LICENCE**

(Complete and attach all information prior to submitting)

(Information noted with an asterisk is optional subject to "Notes" set out below)

**1. Applicant Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Note:** If Applicant is not the registered owner of the property, the Applicant must have the owner's consent to apply for such license.

**Note:** A Phone number may be a permanent "land line" or cellular number.

**2. Property Information**

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Civic Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Roll Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Proof of Ownership: Attach copy of parcel register or deed.

**Note:** If no civic address has been assigned for this property, one must be applied for prior to submitting this application.

**Note:** If a new entranceway or where substantial changes to an existing entranceway are required or proposed, an 'Access Permit' must be applied for and approved, prior to submitting this application.

**Note:** Either the MPAC Roll Number must be included or Proof of Ownership must be attached.

**3. Trailer Information**

Make & Model: \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number or VIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach four pictures of trailer if already located on the property (One of each side of trailer).

**4. License Requested**

Annual

## 5. Services Information

Will the trailer be connected to a sewage disposal system that exists on the property?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide the following:

Sewage System Building Permit or Certificate of Approval which indicates that connection of trailer to such system has been approved.

Will a grey water pit be utilized?

Yes

No

Will the site be serviced with an outhouse?

Yes

No

If the trailer is not connected to a holding tank or sewage disposal system, or is not serviced by a grey water pit or outhouse, please provide dumping receipts from an accredited dumping facility.

Will the trailer be directly connected to electrical services?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide the Electrical Safety Authority approval for connection. This requirement only applies if the trailer will have a direct connection to the electricity distribution system (i.e. not an extension cord plugged into an outlet.)

## 6. Required Submissions

Site Plan – a drawing showing the location or proposed location of the trailer in relation to the boundaries of the property and including all existing buildings, sewage systems, wells, and watercourses/waterbodies. Such drawing shall be scaled or, where the property is large, measurements shall be included indicating the distance of the trailer from property boundaries, existing buildings, wells and watercourses/waterbodies.

Proof of Property Ownership – as required under section 2

Pictures - as required under section 3 above.

Permits/Approvals referenced in section 5 above if applicable.

## 7. Applicable Fee (as per “Fee and Charges By-law”):

## 8. Methods of payment (Canadian funds only):

Debit card (Interac), cheque or cash only for in-person applications submitted by the cardholder. Prepaid debit cards are not accepted. If you are applying by mail, a cheque or money order (postal or bank) in the exact amount, payable to The Corporation of the Town of Kearney.

Applicant Signature and Date:

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Property Owner Signature and Date:

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If property owner and applicant are the same, please sign in both locations.

**Town of Kearney**  
**Part I Provincial Offences Act**  
**By-law 2024-24: 'Trailer License' By-law**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>COLUMN 1 Short form wording</b>	<b>COLUMN 2 Provision creating or defining offence</b>	<b>COLUMN 3 Set Fine</b>
1.	Permit person to locate trailer on property without a license	s. 3.1	\$300.00
2.	Fail to vacate trailer from the months of December 1 <sup>st</sup> to April 30 <sup>th</sup>	s. 3.2	\$300.00
3.	Permit more than one (1) trailer on property	s. 3.4	\$300.00
4.	Fail to display license conspicuously on trailer	s. 4.4	\$300.00
5.	Provide false information on license application	s. 5.4	\$300.00
6.	Fail to comply with an order	s. 5.7	\$300.00
7.	Obstruct person designated to enforce this By-law	s. 4.6, 5.9	\$300.00

**NOTE:** The penalty provision for the offence listed above is Section 61 of the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 33.