

Town of Annapolis Royal

By-Law for the Establishment of Multi Use Plastic Shopping Bags

WHEREAS single use plastic shopping bags are a very visible component of litter throughout the countryside, trails, roadside and a nuisance;

AND WHEREAS single use plastic shopping bags have a negative impact on our wildlife habitat and are not environmentally friendly;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Annapolis Royal incurs a significant cost to clean up the single use plastic shopping bags each year;

AND WHEREAS local businesses can reduce merchandise cost by not having to purchase single use plastic shopping bags;

AND WHEREAS the Town of Annapolis Royal has provided education to shoppers and school children about the environmental advantages and reduced cost of using reusable shopping bags;

AND WHEREAS by using a multi-use shopping bag, residents are reminded of the positive impact of recycling;

NOW THEREFORE upon passing this By-Law, the Council of the Town of Annapolis Royal, enacts as follows:

1. THAT the Town of Annapolis Royal will be single use plastic shopping bag free effective April 2, 2009
2. THAT retailers in the Town of Annapolis Royal will not be permitted to give away or sell plastic shopping bags that are intended for single use.
3. THAT a person who contravenes this By-Law of the Town of Annapolis Royal is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction of a fine of not more than \$1000.00.
4. THAT where a contravention continues for more than one day, the person is guilty of a separate offence for each day it continues.

5. EXEMPTIONS TO THE BY-LAW

Small plastic bags that are used to store non-packaged goods such as: a) Dairy products b) Fruit, vegetables or nuts c) Confectionery d) Cooked foods, hot or cold e) Ice f) Smaller bags for fresh meat, fish, candy and poultry g) Bags that cost more than \$1.50.

Jane DeWolfe, Mayor

Amery Boyer, CAO

This is to certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a bylaw passed at a duly convened meeting of the Council of the Town of Annapolis Royal, held the day of, 2008.

Given under the hand of the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer and the seal of the Town of Annapolis Royal this day of, 2008.

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