

**TOWN OF WATROUS  
SUMP PIT AND SURFACE DISCHARGE  
BYLAW NO. 04-2017**

**A BYLAW OF THE TOWN OF WATROUS TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD FOR A  
SUMP PIT AND SURFACE DISCHARGE SYSTEM**

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The Council of the Town of Watrous, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

**PART 1 – INTERPRETATION**

1. This Bylaw shall be cited as the “Sump Pit and Surface Discharge Bylaw”.

**2. Application**

- a) This Bylaw in its entirety shall apply to all newly constructed structures including, but not limited to, residential dwellings, dwelling units, and commercial or industrial buildings with a subsurface drainage system within the Town of Watrous for which a building permit has been applied for after and including March 1<sup>st</sup> 2017.
- b) This Bylaw in its entirety shall apply to all existing structures having or requiring a subsurface drainage system beginning March 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.
- c) This Bylaw refers to surface discharge pertaining to all sump pit discharges in the Town of Watrous regardless of the date of installation.
- d) The areas covering surface discharge in Part II – Standards, Part III - Enforcement, Part IV - Offences and Penalties, and Part V – Severability will apply to all surface discharges.

**3. Definitions in this Bylaw**

- a) “Approved” means permitted, inspected or approved by the governmental agency or other authority having jurisdiction over the subject matter to which the approval relates;
- b) “Building Official” means the person appointed by Council, to perform the duties of this Bylaw or any other Bylaw or resolution of Council;
- c) “Council” means the municipal council of the Town of Watrous;
- d) “Front Yard” means a yard extending across the full width of a lot and situated between the front lot line and the nearest portion of the building;
- e) “Rear Yard” means a yard extending across the full width of a lot and situated between the rear lot line and the nearest portion of the building;
- f) “Owner” means a person who has any right, title, estate or interest in land or improvements other than that of a mere occupant, tenant or mortgagee;
- g) “Summer” means the period beginning May 1<sup>st</sup> ending September 30<sup>th</sup>;
- h) “Winter” means the period beginning October 1<sup>st</sup> ending April 30<sup>th</sup>;
- i) “Town” means the Town of Watrous.

- j) “2-Way (two way) Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System” means a sump pit and surface discharge system that can convey water to both the sanitary sewer system and to the front or rear yard of any property;

## **PART II – STANDARDS**

- 4. The owner of every newly constructed structure with a subsurface drainage system shall install a 2-way sump pit and surface discharge system such as to allow discharge to the surface and into the sanitary sewer service.

The owner of every existing structure, having or installing a subsurface drainage system, shall have a 2-way discharge system such as to allow discharge to the surface and into the sanitary sewer service, not later than April 1<sup>st</sup> 2018.

- a) Discharging to the surface, “summer” only:

- i. A Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System with a discharge to the surface as shown on Schedule “A, shall be installed.
- ii. Discharge shall not be directed onto a ground surface within 3 meters of any building.
- iii. Discharge shall be directed to either the front yard or rear yard of the property.
- iv. Any deviation from front yard or rear yard discharge requires written approval from the Town of Watrous.

- b) Discharging to the sanitary sewer, “winter” only:

- i. Water collected in a sump pit during the winter shall be discharged into the sanitary sewer service.
- 5. The Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System shall be installed by a Journeyman Plumber in such a manner as to comply with all Town bylaws and policies and other applicable regulatory authorities and without causing excessive ponding or icing on public or private property.
  - 6. The costs associated with installing a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner.
  - 7. The standards for a Sump Pit and Surface Discharge System as set forth in Schedule “A” to this Bylaw shall be the standards for the Town of Watrous and the said Schedule “A” is hereby enacted and adopted as a part of this Bylaw.
  - 8. The sump pit shall be in close proximity to the floor drain with the concrete floor being graded towards the floor drain. If the sump pit cannot be located close to the floor drain a back-up power supply is recommended. No relief piping or any overflow piping from the sump pit to the floor drain area will be allowed.

## **PART III – ENFORCEMENT**

### **9. Enforcement of Bylaws**

The administration and enforcement of this Bylaw is hereby delegated to the Building Official or the Bylaw Enforcement Officer or a Representative appointed by Council.

**PART IV – OFFENCES AND PENALTIES**

10. Any person in violation of a provision of this Bylaw shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine of not less than \$500.00 but not exceeding:

- a) \$10,000.00 in the case of an individual; or
- b) \$25,000.00 in the case of a corporation

**PART V – SEVERABILITY**

11. If a Court of competent jurisdiction should declare any section or part of a section of this Bylaw to be invalid, such section or part of a section shall not be construed as having persuaded or influenced the Council to pass the remainder of the Bylaw, and it is hereby declared that the remainder of the Bylaw shall be valid and shall remain in force and effect.

**12. Coming into Force**

This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect on the date of final passing thereof.

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Mayor  
Ed Collins

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Administrator  
Orrin Redden

Read a first time this 13<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2017  
Read a second time this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2017  
Read a third time and adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2017

Certified a true copy of Bylaw No.04-2017 of the  
Town of Watrous adopted by resolution of  
Council this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, A.D., 2017.

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Orrin Redden – Town Administrator

Schedule "A"  
Bylaw No. 08-2016

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