

A by-law to regulate the installation and maintenance of signs within the Village of Salmo.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Village of Salmo in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:-

1. TITLE

This by-law shall hereafter be known and cited as the "Village of Salmo Sign By-law No. 260, 1982".

2. DEFINITIONS

In this by-law, unless the context otherwise requires:

Sign or display

shall mean any device which identifies or advertises any business, enterprise, or organization or product, on any premises, in such a way as to be visible to the public on any street or thoroughfare.

Facia sign

shall mean any constructed sign attached in close proximity to and parallel to any exterior wall surface of a building or structure.

Projecting sign

shall mean any constructed sign attached to the wall of any building, or to any ground or roof structure, and projecting therefrom with sign face or faces forming an angle greater than 30 degrees with the plane of the wall or structure.

V-Type display

shall mean any display with two faces, whose thickness or spread is greater at the edge of attachment than at the outer edge.

Vertical display

shall mean any projecting display whose height is greater than double its width of face.

Swing sign

shall mean any projecting sign suspended from a bar or other support, so that it yields with the wind and swings.

Projection

shall mean the distance a sign extends out from the wall, or from the ground or roof structure to which it is attached.

Overhang

shall mean the amount of encroachment over public property.

Billboard

shall mean a panel, sign board, bulletin board or hoarding mounted on a building or a free standing structure and used or intended to be used for the posting or display thereon of notices or advertising materials pasted, glued, inserted into or otherwise affixed thereto.

Ground sign

shall mean any sign supported by a structure attached to the ground.

Pole sign

shall mean any sign supported by a free-standing pole.

Pylon sign

shall mean any sign or display supported by a free-standing column or structure.

Combination sign

shall mean any sign which combines the characteristics of two or more types of sign.

Illuminated sign or display

shall mean any sign illuminated by incandescent or fluorescent lamps or luminous tubes, such light sources being either internal or external.

2. DEFINITIONS (cont'd)

- Roof sign shall mean any sign which is entirely upon or above the roof or parapet of a building.
- Canopy shall mean and include any permanently fixed structure other than an awning which projects from the face of a building for the purpose of affording protection of shelter from the weather and which is supported solely from the building.
- Canopy sign shall mean and include every sign attached to and forming part of the face of a canopy or a sign suspended and supported under a canopy.
- Revolving sign which, is designed to revolve on an axis.
- Animation shall mean any motion of a display or any part thereof, whether by mechanical action or the flashing on and off of its lights.
- Electric spectacular shall mean a relatively large illuminated display, whether animated or not, attached to a wall or to a roof or ground structure, used to advertise businesses or products not necessarily found on the premises on which it is located.
- Business Identification sign shall mean any sign which identifies the names of the business or enterprise, or which advertises the goods or services offered, on the premises on which it is located.
- Temporary sign shall mean any sign intended to be used for a short time only advertising an event or advertising the property on which it is located for rent or sale.
- Display surface shall mean the surface of the sign upon, against or through which the message is displayed or illuminated.
- Sign structure shall mean the supports and framework for the support of the sign or display.
- Erect shall mean to attach, install, place, hang, suspend or affix a sign, display or letters, or to build or construct a sign or location.
- Permit shall mean the permission in writing, on a form prepared by a Building Inspector to erect any sign which meets the requirements of this by-law.
- Licence shall mean any municipal or provincial licence issued to persons of firms in the municipality to conduct a sign, sign maintenance, or sign erection business.
- Building Inspector shall mean such officer appointed by the Municipal Council and whose duty it is to carry out the requirements of this by-law.

3. APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS

No sign shall be erected, altered or relocated within the Municipal boundaries until a permit has been obtained from the Building Inspector.

- (a) Application The application for a sign permit shall be made in writing to the Building Inspector. The application shall be accompanied by drawings of blueprints in duplicate, which will show: - the construction of the sign,

3. APPLICATIONS AND PERMITS (cont'd)

(a) Application

with materials used; the amount of overhang and the height above the sidewalk or roof; the dimensions of the sign and its weight; and such other information as the Building Inspector may require. Applications may be made by the purchaser of the sign, or on his behalf by the person building or erecting the sign, but in either case the person constructing and/or erecting the sign shall be named thereon.

(b) Permit

If the work authorized by the permit has not commenced within six (6) months of the date of Issue, the permit shall become null and void, and any fees paid shall be forfeited to the Municipality.

(c) Fees

The fee prescribed for erection of a sign shall be \$25.00 .

(d) Exemptions

Temporary sign under thirty-two (32) square feet (2.973 sq.m) in face area on private property do not require a permit.

(e) Maintenance

The owner of real property on which a sign is erected shall keep such sign, together with its supports, braces, guys and anchors, in good repair and in a proper state of preservation, as to safety and appearance. Such signs to be completely operative at all times.

(f) Inspection (i)

The Building Inspector may, in writing, order the correction forthwith, or the removal, of any sign erected under permit which is not construction or erected in conformity with the terms of the permit or the application thereof, or with any part of this by-law.

(ii) The Building Inspector may, in writing, order the immediate repair or removal of any sign found to be in faulty condition, in respect of safety, finish or illumination.

(iii) In the event that any sign becomes an immediate hazard to public safety, the Building Inspector may have such sign removed, or otherwise rendered safe, immediately at the owner's expense.

(iv) No sign or advertising device shall be so located upon any building as to obstruct any window, door, scuttle, skylight or fire escape, so as to prevent free access of firemen to any part of the building in case of fire.

(v) All signs shall be designed, constructed and erected to withstand wind pressure not less than the provisions required for buildings or other structures in the British Columbia Building Code.

4. SIGN REQUIREMENTS

Electric signs (a) All electric signs shall bear the approval of the C.S.A.

(b) All electric signs shall be connected in conformity with the provincial electrical regulations.

4. SIGN REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

Electric signs (c) No flashing sign shall be so coloured or located as to form a confusing background for, or in any way obstruct a traffic control device.

(d) No revolving beacons shall be erected at any location where it interferes with or may be confused with any authorized traffic control device.

(e) No sign shall be equipped with flashing oscillating or moving lights or beacons in such a manner as to cast a direct beam on a highway or interfere with the visibility of a motorist on a highway.

Facia signs

(a) Facia signs, other than electric signs, may be made of non-combustible or approved combustible material or a combination of these and shall be constructed in such a way as to exclude weather and prevent wind pockets.

(b) Facia signs not more than fifteen (15) square feet (1.394 sq.m) in area, and not more than three (3) inches (7.6 cm) thick, may be attached to masonry walls with metal holdfasts placed not more than twenty-four (24) inches (61. cm) apart on the perimeter; or on wooden walls with wood nailing strips and wood screws of adequate size.

(c) Facia signs more than fifteen (15) square feet (1.394 sq.m) in area, or more than three (3) inches (7.6 cm) thick, shall be fastened with metal brackets attached with lag screws and expansion shields, or with through bolts, of sufficient size to support the weight of the sign.

(d) Facia signs more than three (3) inches (7.6 cm) thick shall be attached to the wall at a height of not less than eight (8) feet (2.438 m) above the grade of the sidewalk or ground immediately thereunder.

Projecting signs

(a) No projecting signs shall project more than a ratio of two (2) inches (5.08 cm) for each front foot of the premises to which said sign is attached. Signs must be located in the centre one third portion of the said premises.

(b) No sign shall project more than seven (7) feet (2.134 m) from the wall or structure to which it is attached, such projection being contingent on the wall or structure being strong enough to support the additional dead and wind load of the sign.

(c) Projecting signs shall be erected so that the lowest part thereof is at least ten (10) feet (3.048 m) above the level of the ground immediately thereunder.

(d) Shall conform with Canadian Electrical Codes for clearances from energized conductors.

(e) No business shall have more than one projecting sign.

Roof signs

(a) All roof signs supports and frames shall be of **verticle cantilever construction and made of non-combustible materials.**

Canopy signs

(a) Canopy signs may be attached to any or all faces of the canopy, or supported above the faces thereof.

SIGN REQUIREMENTS (cont'd)

- Canopy signs (b) A canopy sign may be of a length equal to the length of the face to which it is attached, shall not be more than three (3) feet (0.914 m) in height, nor more than twelve (12) inches (30.48 cm) in projection from the face, nor be in any part less than nine (9) feet (2.743 m) above the sidewalk.
- (c) Canopy signs shall be securely attached to the main frame of the canopy, which must be adequately constructed to withstand the added dead weight and windload of the signs.

Temporary Signs (a) Temporary signs to be erected on or over a highway will require a permit.

- (b) Canvas signs to be suspended over any public thoroughfare shall require the approval of the Municipal Clerk before a permit can be issued therefore.

- (c) Canvas banners exceeding twenty (20) square feet (1.858 sq.m) in area shall be securely attached on the top and bottom edges, and shall have openings cut in them to spill the wind when so exposed.

Transitory signs,
Wall, Window and
Door Signs (a) Signs or signwork in these categories shall not require permits nor notification to the Building Inspector.

- Directional Signs (a) "Directional Sign" shall mean and include a permanent sign designed to direct pedestrians and vehicular traffic to public institutions or places such as hospitals, schools or parks.

- (b) Directional signs illuminated or non-illuminated, having a face area of not more than twelve (12) square feet (1.115 sq.m) may be installed to identify each entrance to or exit from the parking areas of any public institution or park and these signs shall not require permits.

Unlawful Signs

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to paste, paint, print, nail, tack or otherwise fasten any card, banner, handbill, sign, poster or other advertisement or notice of any kind, on public property, on any wall, curb, pole, hydrant, fence, bridge, or tree upon any public thoroughfare, or on private property without the consent of the owner or lessee of such property, except as may be otherwise provided in this by-law.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to erect a billboard within the Municipality.
- (c) No permanent signs shall be permitted in residential areas except home occupation signs of less than six (6) square feet (0.557 sq.m) and personal identification signs of not more than eighty (80) square inches (516.12 sq.cm).

Non-Conforming Signs

All existing signs within the Municipality at the time of passing of this by-law which do not conform with the requirements hereof shall be exempt from the provisions hereof, provided however, that, on the relocation, alteration or removal of any such non-conforming sign the provisions of this by-law shall upon such relocation, alteration or removal, apply.

5. VIOLATION

Any person violating any of the provisions of this by-law shall be liable, upon summary conviction, to a penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 .

6. EFFECTIVE DATE

This by-law shall take effect and come into force upon registration thereof.

7. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE

In the event that any part of this by-law is declared ultra vires by a Court of competent jurisdiction, then such part shall be deemed to be severed from the by-law to the intent that the remainder of the by-law shall continue in full force and effect.

READ a first time this 23rd day of	February	, 1982.
READ a second time this 23rd day of	February	, 1982.
READ a third time this 9th day of	March	, 1982.

RECONSIDERED and ADOPTED this 11th day of March , 1982.

M.O. Hanson
Mayor

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the "Village of Salmo Sign By-law No. 260, 1982".

Henry Buswell
Clerk

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A true copy of By-Law No. 260 registered in the office of the Inspector of Municipalities this 23rd day of March 1982.

Henry Buswell
Deputy Inspector of Municipalities