



**BEING A BYLAW OF THE SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA,
TO RESTRICT TRUCK TRAFFIC ON DESIGNATED PORTIONS OF CERTAIN HIGHWAYS UNDER
THE DIRECTION, CONTROL AND MANAGEMENT OF SUMMER VILLAGE OF VAL QUENTIN**

WHEREAS: Pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, RSA 2000, C. M-26 and amendments thereto, Council may pass a Bylaw for the purpose of regulating or prohibiting any activity;

WHEREAS: The Traffic Safety Act, RSA 2000, c. T-6 provides that Council may make bylaws with respect to highways under its direction, control and management;

WHEREAS: Council deems it necessary to regulate truck traffic on certain highways under the direction, control and management of the Summer Village of Val Quentin;

WHEREAS: Council deems it necessary to create the **No Truck Route Bylaw Number 300-26**

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Summer Village of Val Quentin duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

TITLE

1. This Bylaw may be cited as the **"No Truck Route Bylaw"**.

DEFINITIONS

2. The following items are defined in this Bylaw :

(a) **"Chief Administrative Officer"** means the person designated as the Chief Administrative Officer for the municipality;

(b) **"Council"** means the Council of the Summer Village of Val Quentin;

(c) **"Emergency Vehicle"** includes: any fire apparatus, ambulance, any vehicle operated by a police officer or peace officer, a public utility vehicle, including but not limited to gas companies and power companies; any other vehicle designated as an emergency vehicle under the Traffic Safety Act.

(d) **"Highway"** has the meaning as defined in the Traffic Safety Act;

(e) **"Municipal Government Act"** means the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, C. M-26 as amended or replaced from time to time;

(f) **"Municipality"** means the municipal corporation of the Summer Village of Val Quentin in the Province of Alberta, or the area within the geographical boundary thereof, as the context so requires;

(g) **"No Truck Route"** means the routes restricting certain types of trucks, exceeding specific weight or size thresholds.

(h) **"Obstruction"** means any person who interferes with a peace officer in any manner that impairs a lawful investigation being conducted by the peace officer;

(i) **"Peace Officer"** means a person engaged by the municipality as a Community Peace Officer, a Bylaw Enforcement Officer or a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, to carry out the provisions of this Bylaw;

(j) **"Person"** means any individual or any business entity including a firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or society;

(k) **"Provincial Offences Procedures Act"** means the Provincial Offences Procedures Act, RSA 2000, C. P-34 and Regulations thereof, as amended or replaced from time to time;

(l) **"Traffic Control Device"** means any temporary or permanent sign, signal, marking or device placed, marked or erected under the authority of this Bylaw for the purpose of regulating, warning or guiding traffic;

(m) **"Traffic Safety Act"** means the Traffic Safety Act, RSA 2000, C. T-6 and Regulations thereof, as amended or replaced from time to time;

(n) **"Truck"** means a motor vehicle designed and intended for the transport of goods and carrying of loads, whether or not combined with a trailer, but does not include a half ton, three quarter (3/4) ton or one (1) ton pickup truck;

(o) **"Violation Ticket"** means a ticket issued pursuant to the Provincial Offences Procedures Act;

NO TRUCK ROUTES

3. The highways, or portions of highways described and identified in Schedule 'A' are designated as routes upon which trucks, as described in Section 4, are prohibited to travel on.

4. No person shall operate a truck on a No Truck Route.

5. Notwithstanding section 4, this Bylaw does not apply to Trucks and/or trailer combinations that:

(a) are travelling to or from a location only accessible via a No Truck Route as described in Schedule 'A', when actively picking up or delivering item(s) or performing work at such location;

Upon request by a Peace Officer, a bill of lading or other document showing the origin and destination for the delivery or other business may be required.

- (b) are owned, operated or under hire by the Municipality for any purpose;
- (c) are defined as an Emergency Vehicle under this Bylaw;
- (d) are service vehicles performing work at a location within the Summer Village of Val Quentin, including but not limited to septic trucks, vacuum trucks, water well drilling trucks and the like;
- (e) are utilized for agricultural purposes;
- (f) have been given approval from the Municipality to otherwise utilize a No Truck Route;
- (g) are using these routes as part of the provincial over dimensional load corridor.

COSTS

6. Any Person who contravenes or breaches any provision of this Bylaw shall pay to the Municipality upon demand any Costs attributable to, resulting from or arising out of such contravention or breach including, without limitation, any Costs required to repair or remediate any damage caused by such contravention or breach.

7. The Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) shall cause Traffic Control Devices to be placed along the highway, as the CAO considers necessary, to notify persons using the highways noted in Schedule 'A' of the No Truck Route restrictions and shall cause to be kept a record of such locations and placements.

The Traffic Control Device Signage diagram is depicted in Schedule 'C'.

OBSTRUCTION

8. No person shall interfere with or obstruct a Peace Officer conducting an investigation or taking any action under the authority of this Bylaw.

GENERAL PENALTY PROVISIONS

9. Every person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence.

10. Any person who is convicted of an offence pursuant to this Bylaw is liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) and in default of payment of any fine imposed, to imprisonment for not more than one (1) year.

VIOLATION TICKETS AND PENALTIES

11. Where a Peace Officer believes that a person has contravened any provision of this Bylaw, they may commence proceedings by issuing a Violation Ticket in accordance with the Provincial Offences Procedures Act.

12. The specified penalty payable in respect of a contravention of any provision of this Bylaw is the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.

13. The minimum penalty payable in respect of a contravention of any provision of this Bylaw is the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.

14. Notwithstanding subsection 12:

- (a) where any person has been in contravention of the same provision of this Bylaw twice within one (1) twelve (12) month period, the specified penalty payable in respect of the second offence is double the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.
- (b) where any person has been in contravention of the same provision of this Bylaw three (3) or more times within one (1) twelve (12) month period, the specified penalty payable in respect of the third or subsequent offence is triple the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.

15. Notwithstanding subsection 13:

- (a) where any person has been in contravention of the same provision of this Bylaw twice within one (1) twelve (12) month period, the minimum penalty payable in respect of the second offence is double the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.
- (b) where any person has been in contravention of the same provision of this Bylaw three (3) or more times within one (1) twelve (12) month period, the minimum penalty payable in respect of the third or subsequent offence is triple the amount shown in Schedule 'B' of this Bylaw in respect of that provision.

MANDATORY COURT OR INFORMATION

16. No provisions of this Bylaw shall prevent any Peace Officer from issuing a Violation Ticket requiring the court appearance of the defendant, pursuant to the provisions of the Provincial Offences Procedures Act, or from laying an information instead of issuing a Violation Ticket.

CERTIFIED COPY OF RECORDS

17. A copy of a record of the Municipality, certified by the person duly appointed as the Designated Officer for the same as a true copy of the original, shall be admissible evidence as prima facie proof of the facts stated in the record without proof of the appointment or signature of the person signing it.

GENERAL

18. Schedules 'A', 'B' and 'C' as attached, form a part of this Bylaw.

19. It is the intention of the Council of the Municipality that each section of this Bylaw should be considered as being separate and severable from all other sections. Should any section or part be found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is intended that the invalid section or part shall be severable, and the remainder of the Bylaw will remain in effect.

20. It is the intention of the Council of the Municipality that all offences created pursuant to this Bylaw be considered as being Strict Liability Offences.

THAT this Bylaw comes into full force and effect upon third and final reading and is duly signed.

FIRST READING in Council carried this 19th day of March, A.D. 2025.

SECOND READING in Council carried this 18th day of June, 2025.

Read a **THIRD** and final time in Council and duly passed this 18th day of July, 2025.

Signed this 18th day of July, 2025.

Mayor Kathy Dion

CAO, Marlene Walsh

SCHEDULE 'A'

No Truck Route Locations

Lac Ste Anne Trail

Within the Corporate Limits of the Summer Village of Val Quentin

SCHEDULE 'B'

Specified Penalties

Section	Offence	1st Offence
S.4	Operate truck on No Truck Route	\$500.00
S.7	Obstruction of a Peace Officer	\$1,000.00

- **Fees will double for any additional offences**

SCHEDULE 'C'



**NO TRUCK ROUTE
LOCAL DELIVERIES
EXEMPTED**