



TOWN OF WINDSOR BYLAW # 22 REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES BYLAW

A By-law to Provide for a Prompt and Coordinated Response to a State of Local Emergency.

The Council of the Town of Windsor, under the authority vested in it by the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.N.S. 1999, and the *Emergency Measures Act*, R.S.N.S. 1990, C.8, s.10, enacts as follows:

SHORT TITLE

22.01 This By-law may be cited as the “Regional Emergency Measures By-law”.

INTERPRETATION

22.02 In this By-law,

- (a) “Act” means the *Emergency Measures Act*, R.S.N.S. 1990, c. 8;
- (b) “Agreement” means the agreement among the Town of Windsor, the Town of Hantsport and the Municipality of the District of West Hants **pursuant to Section 10(2) of the Act, dated July 31, 1990**, and as amended from time to time.
- (c) “Council” means the Council of the Town of Windsor;
- (d) “Councils” means the councils of the Town of Windsor, the Town of Hantsport and the Municipality of the District of West Hants;
- (e) “Councillor” means a member of the Council;
- (f) “Director” means the Director of the Nova Scotia Emergency Measures Organization;
- (g) “Emergency” means a present or imminent event which requires the prompt co-ordination of action or regulation of persons or property to be undertaken to protect property or the health, safety or welfare of people;
- (h) “Mayor” means the Mayor of the Town of Windsor or a councillor acting in the stead of the Mayor;
- (i) “Minister” means the member of the Executive Council to whom is assigned the administration of the Act and regulations;

- (j) “Emergency Measures Plans” means plans, programs or procedures prepared by the Regional Emergency Measures Organization (REMO) that are intended to mitigate the effects of any emergency or disaster and to provide for the safety, health or welfare of civil population and the protection of property in the event of such an occurrence;
- (k) “Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee” means a committee established by the agreement to plan for and be responsible for the direction and management of emergency activities;
- (l) “Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator”, means the person and their alternate appointed by the participating parties of REMO;
- (m) “Regional Emergency Measures Organization” means the organization established as per the agreement;
- (n) “Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee” means the committee responsible to recommend policy to the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee;
- (o) “State of Emergency Regulations” means regulations approved by the Governor in Council by Order in Council 92-61, Regulation 17/92, as amended from time to time;
- (p) “State of Local Emergency” means a state of local emergency declared by the Mayor pursuant to the Act or renewed by the Mayor pursuant to the Act and Regulations made pursuant thereto and this By-law.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION

22.03 The Council hereby agrees to the establishment of a Regional Emergency Measures Organization in accordance with the Agreement.

22.04 The Regional Emergency Measures Organization shall consist of the following persons and Committees

- (a) a Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee;
- (b) a Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator;
- (c) a Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

22.05 Council shall appoint representatives to the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee in accordance with the agreement from its members for such term as the agreement provides.

22.06 Council’s representation on the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee shall at all times be no fewer than three members of the Council or as required by the agreement.

22.07 The Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee shall:

- (a) be responsible for the development of Regional Emergency Measures plans;
- (b) brief Council on the development of these plans;

REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES COORDINATOR

- 22.08** A Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator shall be appointed in accordance with the agreement.
- 22.09** The Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator shall receive an honorarium in accordance with the agreement.
- 22.10** The Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator shall:
- (a) Chair the Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee;
 - (b) Coordinate and prepare Regional Emergency Measures plans;
 - (c) Perform such duties as provided for in the Agreement.

REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES PLANNING COMMITTEE

- 22.11** Each party shall appoint representatives to the Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee as the Agreement provides.
- 22.12** The Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee shall: include, but not be committed to, persons responsible during an emergency to provide:
- (i) law enforcement;
 - (ii) fire control;
 - (iii) engineering services;
 - (iv) health services;
 - (v) community services;
 - (vi) transportation;
 - (vii) communications;
 - (viii) public information;
 - (ix) utilities;
 - (x) hospital;
 - (xi) financial services;
 - (xii) legal services.
- 22.13** The Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee shall:
- (a) assist the Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator in the preparation and coordination of Regional Emergency Measures plans;
 - (b) advise the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee on the development of Regional Emergency Measures plans;
 - (c) upon request, assist the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee in the briefing of Councils on the development of Regional Emergency Measures plans;
 - (d) perform such other duties as may be required by the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee or the agreement.

AGREEMENTS

22.14 The Council hereby agrees that the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee may enter into agreements with the Government of Canada, the Province of Nova Scotia, a municipality, city, town, or any other agency or any person.

DUTY OF COUNCIL

22.15 The Council may appropriate and expend monies:

- (a) to pay reasonable expenses of members of the Regional Emergency Measures Advisory Committee, the Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator and the Regional Emergency Measures Planning Committee; and
- (b) to fulfill the terms and conditions of any agreements as per Section 14.

DUTIES DURING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY

22.16 Following the issuance of a declaration, and or the duration of the state of local emergency:

- (a) every Councillor shall keep the Mayor posted respecting their whereabouts;
- (b) every employee, servant and agent of the Town of Windsor who has a key role to play in such emergencies as identified in the Regional Emergency Measures plans shall:
 - (i) advise the Regional Emergency Measures Coordinator of their whereabouts; and
 - (ii) fulfill such duties as may be prescribed by the Regional Emergency Measures Plan.

REPEAL

22.17 The Emergency Measures By-law of the Town of Windsor approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on May 13, 1993 is hereby repealed.

Clerk's Annotation for Official By-Law Book

Date of first reading of by-law: Nov. 26, 2002

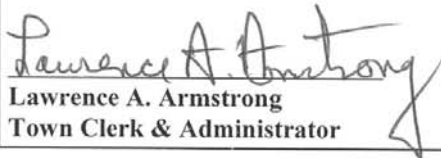
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I certify that this REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEASURES ORGANIZATION BY-LAW was adopted by Council and published as indicated above.

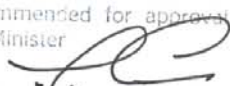
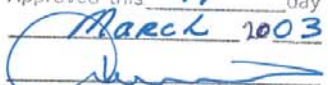

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Feb. 18, 2003
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Service Nova Scotia
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Recommended for
approval of the Minister

Department Solicitor
APPROVED this 17 day
of March, 2003

Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations

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Recommended for approval of
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Director
Approved this 17th day
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Minister of EMO (NS)