

Appendix K – Canadian Jurisdictions Restricting the Use of Exotic Animals in Circuses

Local partial bans on the use of animals in circuses exist in 27 municipal jurisdictions:

British Columbia

Central Okanagan – *By-law No. 1028 – A by-law to prohibit certain animals from being kept or displayed within the Regional District of Central Okanagan*

Ban on animals listed such as felids, non-human primates, elephants and "wildlife".

Chilliwack – *By-law No. 2653 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving wild or exotic animals*

Ban on wild or exotic animal acts in circuses.

Coquitlam – *By-law No. 2994, 1996 – A by-law to prohibit certain wild or exotic animals in the city of Coquitlam*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Delta – *By-law No. 4884 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving wild animals*

Ban on wild animals in circuses.

Kamloops – *By-law No. 34-28 – A by-law to prohibit certain wild or exotic animals in the city of Kamloops*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Langley – *By-law No. 3461, 1994 – An exotic animals by-law*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Maple Ridge – *By-Law No. 5755-1999 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving wild or exotic animals*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Nanaimo – *By-law No. 4504 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving wild animals*

Ban on wild animals in circuses.

New Westminster – *By-law No. 6849, 2003 – A by-law to regulate the keeping of animals, establish and operate a pound, provide for the licensing of dogs and for the impounding and prevention of cruelty to animals*

Ban on wild animals in circuses.

North Cowichan – *By-law No. 2856 – A by-law to regulate the keeping of dogs and other animals*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

North Vancouver – *By-law No. 1661 – A by-law to prohibit the keeping in captivity of fur-bearing animals or wild animals, within the Corporate limits of the City of North Vancouver*

Ban on the keeping of wild animals.

Oakbay – *By-law 4013 – A by-law to provide for the licensing and controlling of animals in the Municipality of Oak Bay*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Parksville – *By-law No. 1114 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving animals pursuant to the municipal act*

Ban on animals in circuses except for dogs, horses and farm animals.

Saanich – *By-Law No. 6669 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving animals*

Ban on animals in circuses except for horse and pony riding.

Salmon Arm – *By-law No. 2929 – A by-law to prohibit certain wild or exotic animals in the District of Salmon Arm*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Surrey – *Exotic Animal Performance By-law, 1993, No. 11767*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Vancouver – *By-law No. 6940 – A by-law to prohibit performances involving certain wild animals in circuses*

Ban on certain animal species in circuses including felids, elephants, non-human primates but not domestic dogs, cats and some farm animals.

Victoria – *Animal control by-law*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Newfoundland

Mount Pearl – *Place of entertainment (circuses, go-carts and amusement parks) regulations*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

St. John's – *Corporate and Operational Policy 09-14-02 Circuses*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Nova Scotia

Bridgewater – *By-law No. 176 – Circus animals prohibition by-law*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Digby – *By-law No. 46 – Circus performance by-law*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Yarmouth – *Bylaw No. 48 – Circus animal prohibition by-law*

Ban on animals in circuses with the exception of horse and pony riding and dogs.

Ontario

Cobourg – *A by-law to prohibit performing exotic or wild animal shows in municipal facilities*

Ban on wild or exotic animal shows.

Stratford – *By-law number ...-2003 – A by-law to protect persons from exotic or wild animals not native to North America*

Ban on wild or exotic animals in circuses.

Quebec

Mount Royal – *Resolution No. 99-0820 – Global action network concerning treatment of exotic animals in exhibitions*

Ban on exhibitions featuring exotic animals.

Saint-Laurent – *Extrait du proces-verbal de la séance generale di Conseil tenue le 8 juin 1999 (Extract from the generale Board meeting minutes June 8, 1999)*

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