

**Proposed Wording for a Bylaw to Amend Bylaw 47M2021  
The Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw**

1. Bylaw 47M2021, The Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw, is hereby amended.
2. The following is added after section 11:

**“Professional Dogwalker Permits**

- 11.1 (1) Section 11(7) does not apply to a *Person* who holds a valid and subsisting Dogwalker Permit.
- (2) The *Director* may issue a Dogwalker Permit to a *Person* who has either the experience, the education, or a certification that would prepare that *Person* to walk large groups of dogs safely in an *Off Leash Area*.
- (3) The *Director* may refuse to issue a Dogwalker Permit to a *Person* who does not meet the eligibility criteria in subsection (2), or who has previously committed a bylaw offence under Part 3 of this Bylaw or a similar offence under Bylaw 23M2006.
- (4) The following conditions apply to all Dogwalker Permits:
- (a) Permit holders must carry an adequate number of leashes to restrain all of the dogs they are walking in an *Off Leash Area*;
  - (b) Permit holders must carry an adequate number of bags to collect the defecation of all the dogs they are walking in an *Off Leash Area*;
  - (c) Permit holders must ensure the dogs they have off leash in an *Off Leash Area* have good recall;
  - (d) Permit holders must ensure the dogs they walk are wearing their *Tags* at all times while being walked in an *Off Leash Area*; and
  - (e) Permit holders must review this Bylaw and acknowledge in writing that they will comply with its provisions.
- (5) The *Director* may limit the number of dogs a permit holder is permitted to walk in an *Off Leash Area*, either on or off leash, as a condition of that *Person's* Dogwalker Permit.
- (6) The *Director* may revoke a Dogwalker Permit where the permit holder has either:
- (a) failed to comply with a condition of the permit;

- (b) misrepresented information when applying for a permit; or
- (c) has failed to comply with a provision in this Bylaw while walking dogs that created a safety or nuisance concern.

(7) There is no fee for a Dogwalker Permit.”

3. Section 93 is deleted and the following is substituted:

“93. This Bylaw comes into force on January 1, 2022 except for section 11(7) and section 11.1 which both come into force on June 30, 2022.”

4. This amending bylaw comes into force on the day it is passed.