

**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN**

**BYLAW NO. 2500.24, 2022**

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**A Bylaw to amend the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen  
Development Procedures Bylaw 2500, 2011**

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The REGIONAL BOARD of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen in open meeting assembled, ENACTS as follows:

1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the “Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Development Procedures Amendment Bylaw No. 2500.24, 2022.”
2. The “Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen Development Procedures Bylaw No. 2500, 2011” is amended by:
  - (i) adding a new Section 3.14 under Section 3.0 (General Provisions) to read as follows:

**3.14 Septic System Assessment**

- .1 Where a Septic System Assessment is specified as an application requirement by this bylaw or is requested as Development Approval Information, it shall be in the form of a report prepared, signed and sealed by an Authorized Person who is defined in the BC Sewerage System Regulation.
- .2 A Septic System Assessment shall include the following:
  - a) An assessment of the proposed or existing onsite septic system for suitability with the new use that is consistent with the most current BC Sewerage System Standard Practice Manual and includes:
    - i) identification of the proposed or existing onsite septic system as either a Type 1, 2, or 3;
    - ii) a review of all existing permits, filing documents, and/or maintenance records available;
    - iii) identification of the daily design flow of the system as currently installed or proposed; and

- iv) estimation of the daily design flow required for the intended use using the maximum flow rate.
    - b) A summary statement from the Authorized Person concluding whether the proposed or existing septic system is suitable for the intended use in their professional opinion;
    - c) a site map drawn to an identifiable scale that includes the following information:
      - i) the location and size of each existing or proposed septic system on the property;
      - ii) the location of all buildings and structures to be serviced by each existing or proposed septic system, including any paving or landscaping that may impact the septic field(s).
    - d) If under section 3.14.1 (b) the Authorized Person finds that the system is not suitable for the intended use, then the report shall also include:
      - i) any repairs, maintenance, or improvements required to make the system suitable for the intended use such that a health hazard is not likely to occur; or
      - ii) a suggested design for a replacement system that would be suitable for the intended use.
  - (ii) adding a new Section 1.9 under Section 1.0 (Application Requirements) of Schedule 5 (Application for a Temporary Use Permit) to read as follows:
    - .9 Septic System Assessment
      - (a) A Septic System Assessment prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 3.14 of this bylaw, shall be submitted to the Regional District, for the following types of uses:
        - i) “vacation rental”, when the subject property is not connected to a community sewer system.
      - (b) A Septic System Assessment report is not required where the applicant can demonstrate that a Septic System Assessment report has previously been provided to the Regional District for the proposed use and:
        - i) all conditions in the report have been met; and
        - ii) the intended use is the same as that which was considered in the report; and
      - iii) A Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner (ROWP) registered as a “Maintenance Person (MP)” with the Applied Science Technologists & Technicians of British Columbia (ASTTBC) has provided a

statement that the system has been maintained in accordance with the applicable plan and is in good working order after the change of use.

- (c) Despite sub-section (a), a Septic System Assessment may be required as Development Approval Information by the Regional District for any other use.

READ A FIRST TIME on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

READ A SECOND TIME on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

READ A THIRD TIME on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

ADOPTED on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Board Chair

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Corporate Officer

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