

Enforcement Services

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WHAT DO WE DO?

- Enforce 44+ By-laws in Barrie
- Educate community members & enforce municipal regulations which contribute to a safe and enjoyable community
- Assist City departments with regulation, policy & procedure development

Enforcement Services

The administration and creation of many regulations fall within different departments; however, Enforcement Services is ultimately responsible for the final enforcement of those regulations.

Examples: Traffic By-law, Right of Way Activity By-law and the Waste Management By-law just to name a few..

Parking

- Paid Parking locations (approx. 2000 spaces downtown, 800 along waterfront)
- Prohibited parking areas (No parking / stopping)
- Community Safety Zones (School Zones)
- Parking within 1.5 m of driveway (**complaint only**)
- Parking on/over sidewalks, boulevards
- Parking in or within 9/15m of an intersection (including signalized)

Traffic By-law has over 60 violations that MLEO monitors & enforces

Private Property Parking

- Enforcement of over 220+ private property locations on behalf of the owners.
- Posted Fire routes
- Posted “unauthorized” parking areas where permission is not granted
- Accessible Parking

These assist property owners in managing their lands safely for residents & visitors
City receives revenue for tickets

Other – Parking Enf.

- Overnight parking Dec 1 – March 30th. 7 days a week, enforced regardless of the weather.
- Special Event closures as required– MLEO staff close off parking and monitor area (ticket & tow)
- Some road closures (meters bagged for construction)

Enforcement Matters cont'd

Animal Control Matters

- Average of 2500+ calls per year
- Regulations include controls for Dogs, Cats, Exotics, Livestock
- Bites or Attacks
- Injured Animals on Municipal property
- Removal of deceased animals on municipal property

Business Licensing

- Adult Entertainment Industry
- Transportation Industry
- General Licensing (Restaurants, Second Hand Sales, most Contractors etc.)
- Average of 1500 businesses licensed and inspected annually
- Over 5000 drivers & vehicles registered annually
- Cannabis Production Facilities

Sign Regulations

- Mobile Sign Permits
- Ground Signs
- Poster Panel Signs (Billboards)
- A-Frame Signs
- Temporary Event Signs
- Election Signs
- Average of 500 signs are confiscated annually (not including election signs)

Staff also review & approve:

- Site Plans - Signage
- Building Permits - Signage

Parks

- Monitor & enforce Parks regulations on over 3100 acres of waterfront, parkland and open space including 127 parks & 145 kilometres of trails
- Regulations include – camping, smoking, matched games, mooring boats, defacing lands or property, business operations not authorized, unauthorized entry, setting of fires, etc.

All parks / facilities
and trails monitored
regularly

Enforcement Matters cont'd

Property Standards / Yard Maintenance

Designed to deal with Interior and Exterior issues

- Mould / grow ops
- Handrails, flooring, plumbing
- Heating systems – low heat
- Vacant / derelict buildings
- Roof / fascia/Stairs / walkways
- Infestation (bed bugs etc.)
- Garbage /Long Grass / Private trees etc.

Average 2500
complaints annually

Regulatory Matters

Various By-laws not specific to one category including:

- Fireworks
- Discharge Firearms
- Lawn Watering
- Use of Snow Vehicles
- Livestock / Poultry Protection
- Nuisance matters (deposit snow, impede pedestrians, busking, sales from city property etc.)
- Right of Way Activity By-law
- Waste Management By-law

Tree Cutting / Tree Preservation

Captures regulations for private and public trees:

- Regulates tree cutting / damage on municipal lands
- Establishes “wood lots” for private & public lands, protections of certain species of trees
- Establishes permit requirements & inspections from Forestry Staff.

Provincial Regulations Enforced

- AGCO /OLG Lottery Licensing
- Dog Owners Liability Act
- Pitbull Control Regulations
- Protection of Livestock & Poultry from Dogs Act.
- Wildlife Damage Compensation Program.
- Honey Bee Protection Act
- 2020-2022 – COVID Regs on behalf of the Province.



General Patrol Hours

Live answer availability

Afterhours message bank

Priority Sequence

Live answer:

Mon-Fri

8:30am-4:30pm (annually)

Afterhours message bank

(retrieved every 30 min):

Mon-Sun (Apr-Nov)

4:30-11:00pm

Mon-Sun (Dec-Mar)

24hrs

Property standards:

Mon-Fri (annually)

8:30am-4:30pm

**Mon-Sat (Jun-Aug with
student coverage)**

8:30am-4:30pm

Patrol Hours:

Uniform staff

7 days a week

7:30am-11pm

April – Nov

24 hours a day

Dec – March

