

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN

BY-LAW NUMBER 2023-31

A BY-LAW TO AMEND BY-LAW 2017-39, BEING A BY-LAW TO GOVERN THE LANDS KNOWN AS THE DUFFERIN COUNTY FOREST AND RAIL TRAIL. (Amend Sections 3, 14, 20, 21, 25, & 27, Amend Schedule A, Remove Schedule B)

WHEREAS by Section 8 of the Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c.25, the Council of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin has the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person for the purpose of exercising its authority under this or any other Act;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF DUFFERIN ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Exceptions Section of the By-Law be moved to immediately follow the Definitions and be amended to read:
This by-law shall not apply to an employee of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin while acting in the course of their employment in managing the Dufferin County Forest or the Dufferin Rail Trail, or any part thereof, or any person authorized by an employee of the Corporation of the County of Dufferin to carry out any duty relating to the management of the Dufferin County Forest or the Dufferin Rail Trail, or any part thereof.
2. That Section 14 Dogs be removed and replaced with:
No person shall permit a dog to run at large in the Dufferin County Forest.
3. That Section 20 Permit Required be removed and replaced with:
No person shall hunt in the Dufferin County Forest unless they are a member of a recognized organization that provides a minimum of \$5 million liability insurance for its members while they are engaged in hunting activities.

No person shall hunt in the Dufferin County Forest unless they obtain a Forest User Permit (Hunting) from the County that will be valid from the date of issue or October 1, whichever is later, until the following May 31.

4. That Section 21 Tree stands and Blinds be removed and replaced as follows:

No person shall place a permanent tree stand or blind in the Dufferin County Forest with the use of hardware.

No person shall leave a temporary tree stand or blind in the Dufferin County Forest from June 1 to September 30.

5. That Section 25 Parking be removed and replaced with:

Motor Vehicles

No person shall enter the Dufferin Rail Trail or any part thereof for the purpose of bringing onto the Rail Trail any motor vehicle for the purpose of operating said motor vehicle on the Dufferin Rail Trail with the following exceptions:

- a. Parking: any person who enters the Dufferin Rail Trail or any part thereof for the purpose of bringing onto the Rail Trail any vehicle which is drawn or propelled by a motor or any means of power other than by muscular power, to park such vehicle in any area marked or designated for parking or;
- b. Motorized snow vehicles: any person who enters the Dufferin Rail Trail on a motorized snow vehicle and is in possession of a valid Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs (O.F.S.C.) trail permit or;
- c. All-terrain vehicles: any person who enters the Dufferin Rail Trail on an all-terrain vehicle and who is in possession of a valid membership in the Dufferin Grey ATV Club or;
- d. Motorcycles: any person who enters the Dufferin Rail Trail on a motorcycle and who is in possession of a valid membership in the Dufferin Rooftop Recreational Riders or;
- e. Pedal-Assist Electric Bicycles: pedal-assist electric bicycles (Class 1) are permitted.

6. That Section 27 Dogs be removed and replaced with:

No person shall permit a dog to run at large on the Dufferin Rail Trail.

7. That Schedule A – Dufferin County Outdoor Recreation Plan, Section 1 of the Permitted/Prohibited Uses (Rail Trail) be removed and replaced with:

Generally Accepted Uses

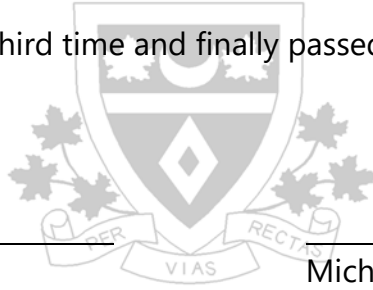
- Unless otherwise restricted in this policy and associated by-law, generally accepted outdoor recreational activities are permitted on the Dufferin Rail Trail.
- Motor vehicle operators must be members of an appropriate Club that has entered into a use agreement with the County.

8. That Schedule B – Hunting Permit be removed.

9. This by-law shall come into full force and effect on the day of its passing.

READ a first, second and third time and finally passed this 8th day of June, 2023.

Original signed by:



Wade Mills, Warden

Michelle Dunne, Clerk