

ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT BYLAW

RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF BRITANNIA NO. 502

BYLAW NO. 03-2024

A BYLAW TO MANAGE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE

Pursuant to Sections 8, 18, and 21 of the *The Municipalities Act*, the council of the Rural Municipality of Britannia No. 502, in the Province of Saskatchewan, enacts as follows:

PART 1 – PURPOSE AND DEFINITIONS

Purpose

1. The purposes of this bylaw are:
 - (1) to strategically manage the road network in the Rural Municipality of Britannia No. 502 in a safe functional manner, to maximize road carrying capacity in terms of weights, traffic volume, and cost of operations;
 - (2) to establish or adopt a vehicle weight management system to regulate the weight of vehicles, or vehicles with their loads, using municipal roadways or any particular municipal roadways in the municipality; and
 - (3) c) to limit weights on certain roads during periods of road vulnerability such as spring thaw and conditions of excessive moisture.

Definitions

2. Definitions for this bylaw are as follows:
 - (1) Except as hereinafter provided, words used in this bylaw shall have the meanings ascribed to them in *The Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations, 2010*.
 - (2) In this bylaw:
 - (a) "Administrator" means the administrator or CAO of the municipality;
 - (b) "Council" shall mean the council of the municipality;
 - (c) "Minister" means the member of the Executive Council to whom for the time being the administration of *The Highways and Transportation Act, 1997*, is assigned;
 - (d) "Municipality" means the Rural Municipality of Britannia No. 502;
 - (e) "Order" means an order issued by the road committee; and
 - (f) "Committee" means a road management committee established in accordance with section 81 of *The Municipalities Act* for the purpose of issuing orders.

PART 2 – VEHICLE WEIGHTS

Weight Limits on Certain Roads

3. No person shall, without a permit issued pursuant to section 6 of this bylaw or by the Minister pursuant to section 36 of *The Highways and Transportation Act, 1997*, operate or move or cause to be operated or moved on or over a municipal roadway a vehicle, where the gross vehicle weight exceeds the limits shown as Secondary and Municipal Highways in the *Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations, 2010* (Saskatchewan).
4. Notwithstanding subsection 3 of this bylaw, no person shall operate or move or cause to be operated or moved on or over the portion Township Road 500 west of the rail crossing and south of SW 06-50-27W3M as indicated by weight restriction signs, a vehicle where the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds the posted limit, which is 24,000 kg.



Exemptions

5. The restrictions set out in sections 3 and 4 of this bylaw shall not apply to those vehicles described in section 3 of *The Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations, 2010*.

Permits

6. Notwithstanding sections 3, 4, and 5 of this bylaw, the Administrator or Roaddata Transportation Services may, if satisfied that the vehicle or combination of vehicles can be operated or moved upon a municipal roadway without damage to the roadway or other property, issue a permit to the registered owner of the vehicle or combination of vehicles to exceed the maximum gross vehicle weights fixed by this bylaw.
 - (1) In order to obtain a permit under this section the registered owner must provide to the Administrator:
 - (a) proof satisfactory to the Administrator that the vehicle and its load will not exceed the registered gross weight specified in the certificate of registration of the vehicle issued pursuant to *The Traffic Safety Act*; and
 - (b) proof of financial responsibility as provided for and in conformity with the requirements of *The Traffic Safety Act*.
7. The Administrator shall, in the permit, designate the municipal roadways that may be used and the vehicle shall then be operated on only such municipal roadways as are designated.
8. For a single trip permit, the permit number must be provided upon request by a peace officer or the Administrator or their designate.
9. For a multi-trip permit, the permit shall be carried in the vehicle and be produced upon request by a peace officer or the Administrator or their designate, at the time of inspection.

PART 3 – PROVISIONS

Road Management Committee

10. Council may by resolution establish a road management committee for the purpose of issuing orders in accordance with *The Municipalities Regulations Part III*.
 - (1) The Road Management Committee shall consist of the Administrator or designate, and a minimum of any one member of council as appointed by council. The committee shall be set by council annually and may be amended as required by resolution.
 - (2) If, in the opinion of the Road Management Committee not restricting the use of a road may reasonably be expected to result in damage to the road or a high risk of property damage, or personal injury to the public, the Committee may issue an Order restricting the use of the road, or roads. The restriction in the Order may:
 - (a) Prohibit the operation of certain vehicles on specified roads and bridges;
 - (b) Restrict the gross weight of vehicles on specified roads and bridges; or
 - (c) Restrict the weight of vehicles to a percentage of axle group weight on GVW on specified roads and bridges (posted percentage based on Primary Weight); or
 - (d) Restrict or permit gross weight of vehicles on all roads and bridges.
 - (3) An Order issued under the provisions of this Bylaw must use the prescribed form to identify and authorize restrictions per a percentage based upon Primary Weight in *The Vehicle Weight and Dimension Regulations, 2010* (Saskatchewan).
 - (4) An Order issued under the provisions of this bylaw renders any Order issued previously, null and void.
 - (5) An Order issued under the provisions of this bylaw renders an annual, or a single or multi-trip permit null and void until such time as the Order has been removed.

- (6) An Order issued under this bylaw must:
 - (a) be signed by the members of the Road Management Committee;
 - (b) state the date on which it is signed and the date on which it takes effect; and
 - (c) be filed with the Administrator or designate.
- (7) Upon receipt of the Order, the Administrator or designate shall:
 - (a) promptly notify the permit office of the Ministry of Highways and Transportation of the issuance or cancellation of any Order;
 - (b) promptly notify all members of the council of the municipality by the most expedient means, beginning with the member responsible for the division in which the Order has been issued;
 - (c) promptly notify the motoring public and permit holders by posting notice on the municipal website, and any other means that in the Administration's opinion is required for adequate notification;
 - (d) promptly notify Roadata Service Ltd. by emailing a copy of the notice to permits@roadata.com and
 - (e) present a copy of the Order at the next meeting of council and record so in the minutes.
- (8) Signs shall be posted conspicuously at each end of any applicable road and at any junction or intersection the Road Management Committee considers advisable.
- (9) An Order issued pursuant to this bylaw shall remain in effect until cancellation of the Order by the Road Management Committee and all notices posted in accordance with this bylaw have been removed.

PART 4 – ENFORCEMENT

Penalty

- 11. A person who contravenes any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence.
 - (1) No person shall exceed the maximum weight specified in a permit.
 - (2) No person shall fail to comply with the terms or conditions specified in a permit.
 - (3) No person shall violate an order issued by the Rural Municipality Road Management Committee.
 - (4) No person shall exceed the "posted percentage" of Saskatchewan Primary Weights either by GVW or axle group weight.
 - (5) No person shall exceed the posted weight restriction on any road or bridge.
 - (6) Any person guilty of an infraction to any of the provisions of this bylaw shall be liable to the penalties described in Schedule A attached to *The Highways and Transportation Act, 1997* for the Province of Saskatchewan.

PART 5 – REPEAL

12. Bylaw 20-2020 is hereby repealed.

_____ [Redacted Signature]

Reeve

_____ [Redacted Signature]

Administrator



Read a first time this 14th day of February 2024.
 Read a second time this 14th day of February 2024..
 Read a third time and adopted this 14th day of February 2024.