

As amended by By-law 91-2014, 85-2018 and 127-2022 By-law 41-2001 The Corporation of the City of Oshawa

being a by-law to provide for the registration of two-unit houses.

Recitals

1. The Council of every municipality which has the authority to pass by-laws under Section 34 of the *Planning Act*, RSO 1990, c P.13 may pass by-laws providing for the registration of two unit houses including accessory apartments. (91-2014)

The Council of the Corporation of the City of Oshawa enacts as follows:

- 1. Definitions: In this by-law, unless stated otherwise, certain terms shall be defined as indicated in the lettered paragraphs of this section. When the words appear with a capital letter, the meanings prescribed in this section shall apply. When the words appear without a capital letter, they should be read as having their ordinary dictionary meanings:
 - (a) "City" means The Corporation of the City of Oshawa.
 - (b) "Fee" means the applicable fee prescribed by the General Fees and Charges By-law 13-2003, as amended. (91-2014)
 - (c) "Inspector" means the persons from time to time appointed pursuant to section 4 of this By-law.
 - (d) "Registrar" means each of the City's Chief Building Official and the Director, Municipal Law Enforcement and Licensing Services. (85-2018)
 - (e) "Residential Unit" means a unit that:
 - (i) consists of a self-contained set of rooms located in a building or structure,
 - (ii) is used as residential premises,
 - (iii) contains kitchen and bathroom facilities that are used only by the occupants of the unit,
 - (iv) is used as a single housekeeping unit, which includes a unit in which no occupant has exclusive possession of any part of the unit, and
 - (v) has a means of egress to the outside of the building or structure in which it is located, which may be a means of egress through another residential unit.
 - (f) "Two Unit House" means either of the following:
 - (i) a detached house, a semi-detached house or a row house which contains two Residential Units, or
 - (ii) an Accessory Apartment as prescribed by the Zoning By-law No. 60-94. (91-2014)
- 2. Scope: This By-law applies to all Two Unit Houses within the territorial limits of the City of Oshawa.
- 3. Deleted. (91-2014)
- 4. Appointment of Inspectors: The following persons and classes of persons employed by the City are appointed as inspectors for the purposes of sections 5 and 8 of this By-law:
 - (i) Chief Building Official,
 - (ii) Inspectors pursuant to Part VI of the *Fire Protection and Prevention Act*, 1997, S.O. 1997, c. 4, as amended, including, without limitation, the Fire Chief,
 - (iii) Building Inspectors,

- (iv) Plumbing Inspectors, and
- (v) An Officer as prescribed by the Inspection By-law 64-2008. (91-2014)
- 5. Requirement to Register: No person shall fail to register a Two Unit House in accordance with the provisions of this By-law. (91-2014)
- 6. Application: No person other than the registered owner of a Two Unit House may apply to the Registrar for registration of the Two Unit House.
- 7. Application Requirements: Each application for registration of a Two Unit House shall be submitted to the Registrar and shall:
 - (a) be fully completed on the form from time to time prescribed by the Registrar,
 - (b) include such information and documents as the Registrar may, in the Registrar's discretion, require for the purposes of paragraph 9(b) of this By-law, and
 - (c) be accompanied by payment of the Fee.
- 8. Inspection: Without limiting the generality of paragraph 7(b) of this By-law, the Registrar may require such inspections as, in the Registrar's opinion, are necessary to determine, before registration, whether a Two Unit House complies with the standards contemplated by paragraph 9(b) of this By-law.
- 9. Registration: The Registrar may refuse to register a Two Unit House unless the Registrar is satisfied that the following conditions have been satisfied:
 - (a) The application for registration has been prepared and submitted in accordance with sections 6 and 7 of this By-law.
 - (b) The Two Unit House complies with all standards which apply to the Two Unit House at the time of registration and which may be prescribed by any of the following:
 - (i) the City's Zoning By-law; (91-2014)
 - (ii) the City's Property Standards By-law; (91-2014)
 - (iii) the *Building Code Act*, 1992, SO 1992, c 23; (91-2014)
 - (iv) the Building Code, O Reg 332/12; (91-2014)
 - (v) the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, SO 1997, c 4, and (91-2014)
 - (vi) the Fire Code, O Reg 213/07. (91-2014)
- 10. Public Register: The Registrar shall maintain a written or electronic record respecting each Two Unit House for which an application for registration has been made. Each record shall include, at a minimum, the following particulars:
 - (a) the municipal address of the Two Unit House, and (91-2014)
 - (b) the registration date of the Two Unit House. (91-2014)
- 11. Revocation: The Registrar may revoke the registration of a Two Unit House if, in the Registrar's opinion, the Two Unit House ceases to comply with any of the standards contemplated by paragraph 9(b) of this By-law.
- 12. Offence: Every person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine not exceeding the maximum fine from time to time prescribed by s. 61 of the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.33.

 (127-2022)
- 12A. No Person shall fail to comply with any provision or standard of this By-law. (127-2022)
- 12B. Administrative Penalty Process By-law 63-2013 applies to each administrative penalty issued pursuant to this By-law. (85-2018, 127-2022)

12C. Each Person who contravenes any provision of this By-law shall, upon issuance of a penalty notice in accordance with Administrative Penalty Process By-law 63-2013, be liable to pay to the City an administrative penalty. If a Person receives a penalty notice in accordance with the City's Administrative Penalty Process By-law for a contravention of this By-law, and the Person has not received a penalty notice for the same contravention within one (1) calendar year or less, the Person shall be liable to pay to the City a tier one (1) administrative penalty amount for that contravention in the amount of \$250. If a Person receives an additional penalty notice for the same contravention of the By-law within one (1) calendar year or less from the date of the penalty notice containing a tier one (1) administrative penalty amount, the Person shall be liable to pay to the City a tier two (2) administrative penalty amount for that contravention in the amount of \$350. If the Person receives a subsequent penalty notice for the same contravention of the By-law within one (1) calendar year or less from the date of the penalty notice containing a tier two (2) administrative penalty amount, the Person shall be liable to pay to the City a tier three (3) administrative penalty amount for that contravention in the amount of \$450. If the Person receives any subsequent penalty notices for the same contravention of the By-law within one (1) calendar year or less from the date of the penalty notice containing a tier three (3) administrative penalty amount, the Person shall be liable to pay to the City a tier three (3) administrative penalty amount for that offence in the amount of \$450.

(85-2018, 127-2022)

- 13. Severability: In the event that any of the provisions of this By-law are deemed invalid or void, in whole or in part, by any Court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.
- 14. Headings: The headings of sections, paragraphs, clauses and/or sentences in this by-law are inserted for ease of reference only and do not affect the interpretation of this By-law.
- 15. Number/Gender: All words and personal pronouns relating to words contained in this By-law shall be read and constructed with the number and gender of the person referred to in each case.
- 16. Legislation: References in this By-law to legislation, including regulations and municipal by-laws, shall be deemed to include such legislation as amended, including successor legislation.
- 17. Short Title: This By-law may be referred to as the Two Unit Houses Registration By-law.
- 18. Effective Date: This by-law shall take effect on September 1, 2001.

By-law read a first, second and third time and finally passed this eighteenth day of June, 2001.

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