

Welcome to the Resort Village of Sunset Cove. We are very pleased that you have chosen to become a resident within our resort village. Please feel free to reach out to our Administrator or any council member with any questions you may have. Our contact information can be located upon our resort's website at: <http://rvsunsetcove.ca/wp/>

Please take some time to visit our website and familiarize yourself with our villages bylaws and read some of our past newsletters. They are a valuable sources of information that will help you better transition into our beautiful community.

As a new member of our community, you likely will have a number of concerns and questions. We hope to provide you some guidance here by providing some information regarding the most common concerns/questions our new residents have. For more detailed information, please refer to our website and village bylaws.

1. Development Permits: Any resident performing any engineering or significant landscaping projects within Sunset Cove must first obtain a valid development permit from the resort village.
2. Building permits: Building permits are required for most construction/renovation projects, as are geotechnical reports to ensure ground stability.
3. Drainage: One may not alter or impede any existing drainage patterns currently on or near their property without receiving prior approval through a development permit.
4. Demolition Permit: The removal or demolishing of any building within Sunset Cove requires a demolition permit.
5. Aquatic Habitat Protection Permit: Please be reminded that ANY work such as beach clearing, or riprap work being done along the shoreline line (riparian area) of Last Mountain Lake requires an Aquatic Habitat Protection Permit PRIOR to any work commencing. This permit is available from the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency and it may take several weeks to obtain such a permit. <https://www.wsask.ca/Water-Programs/Aquatic-Habitat-Protection/> The Resort Village of Sunset Cove strives to be good stewards in regards to protecting this lake. We will report any known infractions to the Water Security Agency.
6. Council Meeting: The Resort Village of Sunset Cove (RVSC) has council meetings approximately every 60 days. Please ensure you give yourself plenty of time if you require something from council. Special council meetings can be arranged to accommodate emergent situations, at a small cost to those requiring such a meeting.
7. Fire insurance: The RVSC has an agreement in place with the Strasbourg Fire Department for any fire related matters. They are STARS certified and can provide rescue services for a multitude of situations, including vehicle extractions. Minimum call-out fee for any fire related service is \$5,000.00. It is highly recommended that you add fire-callout insurance to your household insurance plan. A minimum amount of \$10,000.00 is recommended. You are legally responsible to pay for any firefighting needs that you create or require. Please check with your insurance agent to ensure you have this coverage in place.

8. Fire Bylaw: The RVSC has a fire bylaw which prohibits open fires (in non CSA approved devices) during dry or windy conditions. The RVSC posts fire ban signs during such times and posts this information upon our website. Fireworks are also prohibited during such fire-ban periods. All fires within the RVSC must be contained within a non-combustible container or perimeter. Open pit fires or bonfires are never permitted. Please refer to our bylaw for more details on this.
9. Mountain Drive: The roadway leading into the RVSC is the responsibility of the RM of McKillop to safely maintain. The road within our resort village (Mountain Drive) is maintained by our resort village. We apply an environmentally friendly dust suppressant each spring to this roadway and then install speed bumps to keep traffic slow and to provide an increased level of safety of the pedestrians who use this roadway. Please be reminded that our villages speed limit is 15 KPH.
We maintain access to Mountain Drive year round, with any significant snow accumulation being removed within 24-48 hours. We have sand barrels located along side of the hill leading into our resort village, should the hill become slippery. Please use them as needed (but sparingly) as they are costly to fill each year. There may be times during extremely wet or snowy weather when 2-wheel drive vehicles may encounter difficulty accessing our resort village due to road conditions.
10. Trenching: Trenching or any excavations on Mountain Drive is strictly prohibited unless approved in writing was granted by council. Back row residents must use horizontal boring to install electrical lines or water lines beneath Mountain Drive.
11. Septic Holding Tanks: All residents of RVSC must have a septic tank attached to their dwelling. There are very specific guidelines under both the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region as well as our own bylaws as to where these tanks can be located. http://www.rqhealth.ca/service-lines/master/files/9270274_8_SK%20Onsite%20watewater%20disposal%20guide.pdf Please familiarize yourself with these requirements. There are three septic haulers authorized to conduct business within our resort. They are Uhl's Septic, Aquarius and North Shore Septic. They are all provincially licensed and insured. Please do not use any other haulers. Our septic waste is hauled to the lagoon located near Strasbourg, Saskatchewan. We do not use the RM lagoon due to the high cost of membership.
12. Garbage bins: The RVSC has four garbage bins, emptied weekly during the summer months, twice monthly during spring and fall and once per month during the winter. They are meant primarily for household garbage. Construction or renovation materials (or excessive landscaping materials) are not to be deposited within these bins. If you are conducting any such work, please arrange for Loraas Disposal to supply you with your own bin for these purposes. This cost is very reasonable. Twice per year, during May and September, the Resort Village of Sunset Cove will bring in a walk-in 30 cubic meter Loraas disposal bin. These bins are intended for our residents to use for their spring and fall clean-up. Appliances, general rubbish, small pieces of lumber, branches, etc. are all permitted in this bin. ***Tires and batteries are not permitted. We also have a blue recycling bin located within our resort for paper products. We are NOT members of the local RM landfill, located by Rowan's Ravine, and must therefore our residents must pay non-member fees when depositing items into their facility. The City of Regina does provide a facility, just prior to their landfill site, for the free disposal of all trees and shrubs.

13. Boat Launch: The RVSC has a small boat launch located within our Municipal Reserve. It was never designed for big or heavy boats but for smaller pleasure crafts. There are concrete boat launches in neighbouring communities which may provide for better lake access if your boat is large. Please ensure your vehicle or trailer does not block others from using this facility after the launching your watercraft. We keep this boat launch open during the winter months for access onto Last Mountain Lake but we lock it up during the spring melt to prevent damage to our roads. We have sought and obtained permission to do so and this special authorization is included within our lease with the Ministry of Agriculture.
14. Swimming area/Play Structure: To the west of our boat launch in a small public breach area. Its open to all and swimming buoys are put in place each year to mark this area. It is illegal to bring any motorized water craft within a swimming area. Please ensure you are a responsible pet owner and clean up after your pet if you permit it to be on the beach. Above the swimming area, we have an unsupervised playground structure for children. Please ensure adult supervision is provided whenever children are using this structure and please report any safety concerns regarding this structure to the resort village.
15. Gerry Argue Lookout: The RVSC has a public lookout/seating area located just west of the boat launch access road. Gerry Argue served over 40 years on council and this lookout was recently named after him. It is a great place to watch sunrises, sunsets and the firework display held annually at Regina Beach. Please help keep this area clean.
16. Recreational Facility: The RVSC has a newly surfaced multipurpose recreational facility which can be used for many recreational activities. This facility is solely for the use of our residents and their friends. Please limit your playing time if others are waiting to use this facility. Gas powered vehicles are not permitted within this area.
17. Recreational Vehicles: The RVSC has a bylaw governing the use of recreational vehicles. They are not permitted to be used as a seasonal dwelling and can only be used for temporary accommodation. The property owner, whose lot the recreational vehicle is on, must be present during the time the recreational vehicle is occupied. A maximum of one recreational vehicle can occupy any lot at any one time.
18. Noise Bylaw: The RVSC has a noise bylaw to ensure our residents are not unduly bothered by loud or excessive partying or noise. On weekday evenings, the “quiet” hours are between 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. On weekends, these hours are between the hours of 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and 8:00 a.m. Special occasions permits, to host an event outside of these hours are available for specific events. Also included with the noise bylaw is a section dealing with responsible pet ownership. *“No person who owns, has the care and control of, keeps or harbours a dog, or is the owner or occupant of a premise on which a dog is kept, shall allow the dog to continue to bark or howl at any time”.*
19. Water Bylaw: The RVSC has implemented a water bylaw to help mitigate the risk of slumping occurring within our resort caused by the weight and affects from excessive watering. No person shall permit their water use to create pooling or flowing upon any roadway or property within the Resort Village of Sunset Cove.

20. Pest control: The RVSC has live traps for the capture of racoons, skunks, and other such pests. We will provide these traps to our residents upon request. It is the law that these traps be checked at least daily to ensure any captured animal does not suffer while in captivity. Skunks cannot spray while inside of these traps and can be safely released in a far away location. Poison Ivy is also present in the RVSC and the surrounding area. Please familiarize yourself with this plant and various treatment options. Remember the old adage "Leaves of three ... let it be"
21. ATVs: The RM of McKillop has instituted a very restrictive bylaw to govern the use of ATV's on all land within their RM. Violators face a significant fine.
<https://rmofmckillop220.com/mrws/filedriver/bylaws/ATV-BYLAW-293-2015.pdf>
22. Trimming of Trees: Please ensure you are well aware of where your property lines are located before you starting trimming or cutting vegetation on your own property. **Extensive trimming or tree removal will require a development permit prior to starting, even on your own property.** Residents cannot cut any tree or shrub on village property without the written consent of council.
23. Nuisance Bylaw: The RVSC takes pride in the appearance of our resort properties. All yards must be maintained and kept free of rubbish, debris and weeds, and all lawns must be trimmed and maintained. Warning letters will be sent out to violators. If unheeded, the village will hire someone to remedy the infractions and invoice the property owner accordingly. Please ensure your property is properly maintained.
24. Electronic payments: Residents can make electronic etransfer payments to the Resort Village of Sunset Cove. Monies owing, included taxes, can be electronically sent to:
rvsunsetcove@sasktel.net
25. Electrical Safety: It is the law that all pumps and other electrical devices located in a body of water are on a dedicated GFI (Ground Fault Interrupter) device. Please ensure any pump placed in our lake is properly grounded to prevent a tragic incident from occurring.
26. Heavy Vehicles: Under our Heavy Vehicle bylaw, large or heavy vehicles and/or trailers are not permitted within the RVSC unless they are attending for a specific work related purpose. The overnight parking of such vehicles is not permitted in most circumstances. The intent is to ensure our resort village maintains a residential rather than a commercial appearance.
27. Firearms: All firearms and air powered guns (such as BB guns and pellet guns) are prohibited from use within our resort village unless authorized by council.
28. Police: The Southey detachment of the RCMP provides policing for our community. The Lumsden Detachment of the RCMP provides policing for activities occurring on the lake. Our local conservations officers are located at Rowan's Ravine.

Thank you for taking the time to familiarize yourself with the above information. The Resort Village of Sunset Cove is generally considered the most sought after community along Last Mountain Lake and we are very proud of the community that we have built. It has taken a lot of work to achieve this recognition and we strive to further enhance this reputation (and your investment) throughout the years that follow. Once again, welcome to our community. We truly look forward towards meeting you.

Council, Resort Village of Sunset Cove