

Village of Mayo

By- Law # 260

A By-Law of the Village of Mayo for the abolishment of Single Use Plastic Shopping Bags in local retail stores.

WHEREAS Single Use Plastic Shopping bags are a very visible component of litter throughout the Village of Mayo, outside the dump, roadsides and surrounding area.

AND WHEREAS Single Use Plastic Shopping bags have a negative impact on our wildlife habitat and are not environmentally friendly;

AND WHEREAS The Village of Mayo incurs a significant cost to clean up the Single Use Plastic Shopping Bags each year;

AND WHEREAS Local businesses can reduce merchandise cost by not having to purchase Single Use Plastic Shopping bags;

AND WHEREAS by using a multi-use shopping bag, residents are reminded of the positive impact of recycling;

NOW THEREFORE upon passing this By-Law, the Council of the Village of Mayo, enacts as follows:

1. **THAT** the Village of Mayo will be Single Use Plastic Shopping Bag free effective August 1st, 2009
2. **THAT** retailers in the Village of Mayo will not be permitted to give away or sell plastic shopping bags that are intended for single use, and
3. **THAT** Council relies on voluntary compliance by retailers.

Exceptions to the By-Law;

- a) Dairy products
- b) Fruit, vegetables or nuts
- c) Confectionary
- d) Cooked foods, hot or cold
- e) Ice
- f) smaller bags for fresh meat, poultry, fish and candy

Read a first and second time this 23 day of June, 2009

Read a third time and passed this 30 day of June, 2009



Mayor



Chief Administrative Officer