



City of Lloydminster

Policy

Policy Title:	Pest Management Policy	Policy Number:	720-02
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Sponsoring Department:	Parks and Green Spaces		

1. Purpose:

- 1.1. To provide a framework for Administration which will guide the management and control of Pests in City owned and operated public parks and open spaces.

2. Definitions:

Administration	An employee or Contract employee of the City of Lloydminster.
City	The corporation of the City of Lloydminster.
IPM	Integrated Pest Management. An ecosystem-based strategy that focuses on long-term prevention of Pests, or their damage, through a combination of techniques such as biological control, habitat manipulation, modification of cultural practices and use of resistant varieties.
Pests	Any organism, including weeds, insects, diseases, rodents, etc., which by the location or size of its population, adversely interferes with the health, environmental, functional or economic goals of humans.
Pesticide	An approved Pesticide registered with the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) of Health Canada. A substance that prevents, repels, or alters or kills unwanted Pests. Pesticides include insecticides used against insects, herbicides to control weeds, rodenticides for rodent control and fungicides for fungi.

3. Scope:

- 3.1. To protect the health and safety of the environment, the public and workers, by selecting the most suitable practice and/or product, using all products in accordance with label instructions and consistent with all laws and regulations, and ensuring the use of appropriate personal protective equipment.
- 3.2. This Policy shall apply to all members of Administration and all City owned and operated lands, except lands leased to other parties.

4. Policy Instructions:

- 4.1. The City will endeavor, as financial resources allow, to provide the community with aesthetically pleasing boulevards, parks and open spaces by controlling weeds and other Pests. As such, a variety of preventative non-chemical Pest management strategies are considered before using the most suitable approved Pesticide.
- 4.2. The public shall be notified when an approved Pesticide has been used.
 - 4.2.1. Notices may be posted in high traffic entrances when an approved Pesticide has been used, until reentry is suitable.
 - 4.2.2. Reentry timeframes are based on product label specifications.
- 4.2. All forms of Pest management activities on City property will follow the principles of IPM.
- 4.3. Approved Pesticides may be used where alternative practices/products have not been effective in managing the Pest.
- 4.4. The City understands that healthy vegetation successfully competes with weeds and disease and that Pesticide use can be reduced by increasing cultural and mechanical practices to improve long-term vegetation health.

5. Penalty:

- 5.1. Any staff member found to be in violation of this policy may be subjected to a disciplinary action. Such action may be dependent upon the nature of the breach of this policy; discipline may range from a verbal warning to dismissal with cause.

6. Responsibility:

- 6.1. City Council shall review and approve all policies.
- 6.2. City Administration shall administer the policy through the use of a supporting procedure.
- 6.3. Sponsoring Department is responsible for creating and amending a supporting procedure.
- 6.4. This Policy shall be reviewed in accordance with the Governance Documents Policy.