



## By-law 2021/075

### a by-law regulating the keeping, registration, licensing, control and welfare of certain classes of animals

By-law No. 2021/075, passed September 15, 2021, includes:

- General Provisions (including max of three cats in a settlement area)
  - Licenses & Registration (including Kennel Licence, Terms, Conditions and Standards)
  - Dogs - Leashes and At-Large
  - Impoundment
  - Prohibited Animals
  - Prohibited Grandparented Animals
  - Restricted Animals
  - Enforcement & Penalty Provisions
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#### Dog Tags

Dog tags are available at the Municipal office located at 153 McKellar Street in Glencoe. Dog tags are issued with no fee upon the registration of your pet. The same tag number is valid for the lifetime of your dog and are required in Southwest Middlesex as they are our only way to contact you if your dog happens to stray, gets returned to the animal shelter or if it gets hurt. Two dogs per dwelling are allowed in settlement areas and three dogs per dwelling are allowed in rural areas.

To register your pet please visit <https://www.southwestmiddlesex.ca/services/animal-services>.



#### Dog Kennel Licensing

Refinements have also been made to the kennel license program to differentiate between kennels with under 10 dogs, and kennels with 11 or more dogs.

For smaller dog kennels, council has a similar process to a site plan, but without the requirement for an official site plan process - instead of professional drawings, you can prepare the documents yourself.



#### Exotic Animals

Did you know that Ontario is the only province that does not have legislation in place regarding exotic animal ownership. According to World Animal Protection Canada there are only two types of animals that are illegal to own in Ontario: pit bulls and orcas.

In Ontario, it is up to individual municipalities to determine if animal health, welfare, protection, and restriction is an area which the municipality wishes to regulate. Approximately half of the municipalities in the province do regulate/prohibit exotic animals in order to protect the animals and protect public safety. The vast majority of municipalities have some type of animal by-law in effect.

Municipalities without restrictions have had serious incidents in their communities related to exotic animals (e.g. deaths of humans interacting with exotic animals) so SWM has passed this regulatory by-law to help keep everyone safe.



## 2022 Municipal Election

### Are you on the Voter's List for the 2022 Municipal Election?

You can find out if you are on the 2022 Municipal Election list by visiting [voterlookup.ca](http://voterlookup.ca). Now is the time for each eligible voter to log into [voterlookup.ca](http://voterlookup.ca) to :

- confirm or update their electoral information;
- add an elector name to an address; and,
- change school support for the purpose of voting in a school board election.

It is important to note that Information collected through [voterlookup.ca](http://voterlookup.ca) is not used for provincial or federal election purposes.



#### Election Dates to Keep in Mind:

##### Nomination Period for Candidates

May 2 to August 18, 2022

##### Nomination Day

Friday, August 19, 2022 (9 am to 2 pm)

##### Third Party Advertising Registration Period

May 2 to October 21, 2022

##### Voter's List Revision Period

September 1 to October 24, 2022

##### Voting Period

Monday, October 17 to October 24, 2022

##### Term of New Council

November 15, 2022 to November 14, 2026

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### Are you Interested in Running for Council?

Please visit our website for additional information about becoming a municipal council representative. Nominations will be open for the positions of :

- **Mayor - at large (1 elected)**
- **Deputy Mayor - at large (1 elected)**
- **Councillor - Ward 1 (2 elected)**
- **Councillor - Ward 2 (2 elected)**
- **Councillor - Ward 3 (2 elected)**





# Fire Safety at Home

Everyone has a responsibility to keep their families and homes safe from fire. The best ways to ensure fire safety include:

- prevent fires from starting
- maintain working smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in your home and outside all sleeping areas
- plan and practice a home fire escape plan so everyone in the home knows exactly what to do should the smoke alarms sound in an emergency
- consider installing residential sprinklers when building a new home or doing extensive renovations.

## Plan your home fire escape

### Escape Plans

In the event of fire, time is the biggest enemy, and every second counts. In less than 30 seconds, a small flame can turn into a major fire. Have escape plans to get out of your home quickly. Practice E.D.I.T.H. — Exit Drills in the Home — with your family.

### Creating Your Home Fire Escape Plan

- Draw your home floor plan using a home escape plan template.
- Label all the rooms and identify the doors and windows.
- Plan 2 escape routes from every room.
- Provide alternatives for anyone with a disability.
- Agree on a meeting place where everyone will gather after you have escaped.
- Considering buying an Underwriter's Laboratory (UL)-approved collapsible ladder to escape from upper story windows.

## Practice Your Home Fire Escape Plan

- Review your escape plan with everyone that stays in the house, including children.
- Sound the smoke alarm.
- Practice crawling low beneath the smoke.
- Remember to check doors for heat with your hand; if a door is hot, do not open it.
- Close the doors as you leave.
- Practice with a collapsible ladder, if you have one.
- Go directly to your meeting place; do not stop to find your pets or valuables.
- Remember to GET OUT FIRST, then call 9-1-1 for help.
- Practice your plan at least twice a year.

## Additional Tips

- If your clothes catch fire, stop, drop and roll until the flames are extinguished.
- Replace smoke alarms older than 10 years.
- Change the batteries in the smoke alarms, every 6 months (when you change your clocks).
- Test alarms monthly by pushing the "test" button for 3-5 seconds.

## If You Live in an Apartment Building

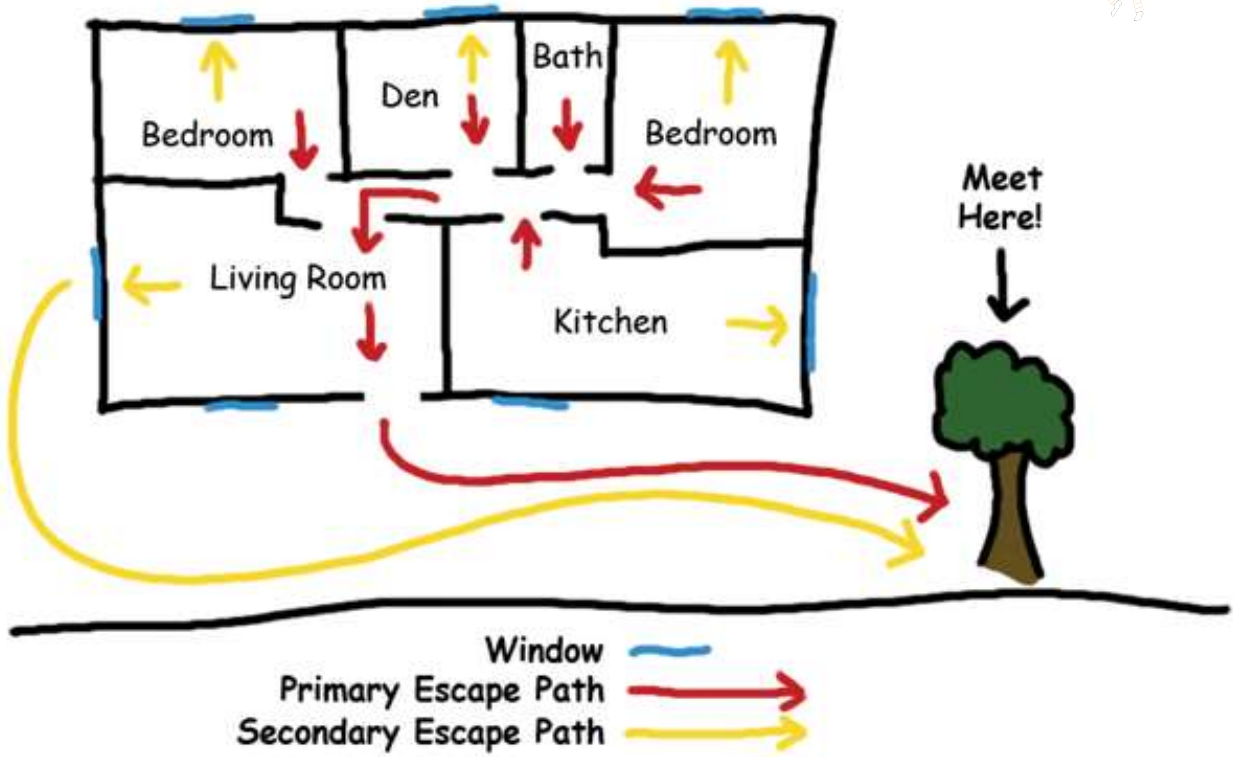
- Learn and practice your building's evacuation plan.
- Know primary and secondary exits.
- If you hear the fire alarm, leave immediately.
- Use the stairs.
- NEVER use elevators during a fire.



# Make a Simple Plan as a Family Activity!



Example



## Draw your home plan in the box below!

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick green border, intended for drawing a home plan.



# Local Resources for Business



[www.investinmiddlesex.ca](http://www.investinmiddlesex.ca) | 519-434-7321



[www.cfmiddlesex.ca](http://www.cfmiddlesex.ca) | 519-641-6400



## All Businesses Eligible - Big or Small, including home based business!

There is no better time to take advantage of free opportunities to promote your business! Sign up today to the Invest in Middlesex business directory including your location on the County's digital map where you will have added business exposure. This will give you the opportunity to showcase your products and services not only in Southwest Middlesex but throughout Middlesex County and beyond. Sign up today at [https://www.breken.com/ylm/ylm/ylm\\_home.aspx?f=MiddlesexCounty](https://www.breken.com/ylm/ylm/ylm_home.aspx?f=MiddlesexCounty).

### Advantages:

- be part of an online business map
- shop local campaigns
- tourism trails
- showcase your business by getting the word out about what you offer
- news and available opportunities get to you promptly





**NOTICE OF BUILDING FEES & CHARGES PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Pursuant to Subsection 7(6) of the Building Code Act., R.S.O. 1992 as amended**

Take Notice that the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex will hold a Public Meeting to consider the passing of a by-law to adopt new and amended building fees and charges under Section 7(6) of the Building Code Act, as amended, **at the Council Meeting on February 23, 2022.**

Building Services are provided by the Municipality of Middlesex Centre to the Township of Adelaide Metcalfe, the Municipality of North Middlesex, and the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex through a shared-service agreement. A joint report has been completed which outlines:

- (a) Estimate of costs of administering and enforcing the Building Code Act.
- (b) Current fees and any proposed changes
- (c) Rational to any changes or new charges

The report is available for public viewing through the municipal website at [www.southwestmiddlesex.ca](http://www.southwestmiddlesex.ca). Hardcopies of the report are available through request to the Clerk.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Meeting of Council and any person who attends the meeting may make representation relating to the proposed fees. The meeting will be held virtually (and/or as a hybrid meeting) on **February 23, 2022.**

**Members of the public wishing to attend the virtual meeting may register at** <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88959284458?pwd=UzlvVDRwWEw2K3dEY3JZM0M2b2RWZz09> or by contacting the Deputy Clerk.

The Public Meeting will be live-streamed on the municipal [YouTube](#) Channel beginning at 7:05 pm.

Members of the public wishing to comment on the application can provide written submissions to the Deputy Clerk by email at [deputy@southmiddlesex.ca](mailto:deputy@southmiddlesex.ca) or by mail at 153 McKellar Street, Glencoe, ON, N0L 1M0. Written submissions must include your full name, address, and an email or telephone number at which you can be reached.

Questions concerning the Building Report and Building Services can be directed to:

Arnie Marsman Chief Building Official (CBO) Municipality of Middlesex Centre  
Email: [marsmana@middlesexcentre.on.ca](mailto:marsmana@middlesexcentre.on.ca) | Phone: 519-666-0190 ext. 260

Deputy Clerk Municipality of Southwest Middlesex  
Email: [deputyclerk@southwestmiddlesex.ca](mailto:deputyclerk@southwestmiddlesex.ca) | Phone: (519) 287-2015 ext. 8120

Dated at the Municipality of Southwest Middlesex this 27th day of January, 2022