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## Mount Currie Implements Dog By-Law

Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police and the Mount Currie Band are responding to the aggressive and stray dog concerns of the community by implementing a licensing program and stronger enforcement.

On July 21, 2011 the Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police, Whistler Animal Shelter, Pemberton By-Law and the Mount Currie Band met and approved the implementation of a dog by-law. The philosophy of this program is to encourage responsible pet ownership through public education, licensing and enforcement. The bylaw will make the community a safer place.

Dog owners will now be responsible to ensure that their dogs regardless of size or breed are not running at large within the community.

Every dog owner must licence and register their dogs with the Mount Currie Band by September 15, 2011. If you fail to register your dog and your dog continues to run at large, he/she will be impounded by the Whistler Animal Shelter.



### What are the benefits to having your dog registered?

If your dog is missing or runs away and he/she is registered there will be a greater likelihood that your dog will be returned to you safely. Registering your dog will help by-law officers and police identify who the dog is and who their owners are. This will allow your dog to be reunited with your family quickly. Also, if dog(s) are located at large and are unregistered they will be taken from the community. This reduces the amount of stray dogs in Mount Currie making it a safer place for you and your family to be in.

**“Properly trained, a man can be dog's best friend. ~Corey Ford”**

## ~ DOG BY LAWS – CONT ~



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***“ Every dog deserves to be loved and cared for like any other member of your family”***



### **How does the registration work?**

Every dog owner can go to the Mount Currie Band office and pick up a registration form. The owners will then fill out a form and submit it. The owner will receive a dog tag with a number. That number will tell a bylaw officer or police who owns the dog and where it lives. It will also let bylaw know the breed, approximate age and name of the dog. The dog tag will have to be worn by the dog at all times. It will be the responsibility of the dog owner to ensure that the tag stays on the dog.

### **Is there a cost with registering?**

There will be no cost associated with the registering of your dog and the collar and tag are free. If you lose your dog licensing tag there will be a fee to replace your old tag.

### **What happens if I can't care for my dog?**

Every dog no matter size or breed deserves to be love and cared for like any other member of the family. If you feel that you are unable to feed or care for your dog, the Whistler Animal Shelter will pick up your dog for free. It will put your dog up for adoption. All dogs that are surrendered to the Whistler Animal Shelter are usually adopted quickly to great homes all over British Columbia. The Whistler Animal Shelter will be conducting pick ups for unwanted dogs every Thursday throughout the month of August.

### **What happens after September 15, 2011?**

If your dog is found in the community running at large and he/she is not registered and collared by September 15, 2011 the Whistler Animal Shelter will pick your dog up and place it up for adoption. The adoption will not happen immediately but a fee will be charged to get your dog back.

### **What happens if my dog is picked up?**

If you do realize that your dog has been picked up by WAG and you failed to register your dog you will be able to get your dog back but it will at a set fee. The money will be donated to WAG to help injured and neglected dogs. You will only be able to pick up your dogs within %% days or the dog will be up for adoption.

**REGISTERING IS FREE SO PLEASE PARTICIPATE!**

If you have any questions or concerns please call the Stl'at'imx Tribal Police or the Mount Currie Band Office.

Thank you for your cooperation

# Criminal Record Checks & Vulnerable Sector Checks

## Criminal Record Checks

A Criminal Record Check is a record of a person's criminal history and is generally used to aid employers in the trustworthiness of their future employees. The record will show a person's criminal convictions if he/she was found guilty in court by a Judge.

If you wish for the St'atl'imx Tribal Police to perform a criminal record check you must live in the following areas

- Lil'wat (Mount Currie)
- N'Quatqua (D'arcy)
- Samahquam (Baptiste Smith)
- Skatin (Skookumchuck)
- Xa'xtsa7 (Douglas)
- T'it'qet (Lillooet)
- Tsa'lalth (Seton)
- Ts'kw'aylaxw (Pavillion)
- Xaxli'p (Fountain)

If you live in one of these areas, the St'atl'imx Tribal Police can help you. Simply come by one of our offices and pick up a STPS Criminal Record check form, complete it and drop it off in person to one of our offices. Please bring one piece of picture ID (drivers Licence or BC identification) and we will contact you once it is complete. To pick up the results that person who signed the Criminal Record Check can only pick it up. Due to the change in processing the Criminal Record Checks it may take up to two weeks to see results. If you can not make it into our office and you have a computer with internet, visit [www.stlatlimxpolice.ca](http://www.stlatlimxpolice.ca) and print the form from the website.

## Vulnerable Sector Check (VSC)

According to the Criminal Records Act a vulnerable member of society are persons who, because of age, a disability, or other circumstances, whether temporary or permanent are

- In a position of dependence on others or;
- Are otherwise at a greater risk than the general population of being harmed by a person in a position of authority or trust relative to them.

Anyone who maybe be involved in dealing with a vulnerable person may be required to complete a VSC. Examples are teachers, social workers, day care workers, sport coaches and volunteers.

A VSC is used to determine if a there is a chance of a criminal record and/or a sexual offence conviction for which someone has received a pardon.

In some cases registered sex offenders change their names to avoid being linked to the crimes that they have been found guilty for. To eliminate this, enhancements have been made to CPIC to not allow their unreported name change to avoid being identified through a vulnerable sector query. Anyone with a similar name, and date of birth could be identified through the VSC



The enhancements now automatically flagged pardoned sex offender records based on gender and date of birth of the applicant

Fingerprints are now required to complete a vulnerable sector check when the gender, date of birth of an applicant matches a pardoned sex offender record.

This ensures that individuals who have obtained a legal name change are properly screened for pardoned sex offender's records.

VSC are treated as a priority requests when fingerprints are submitted to the your local police detachment.

Persons who are requesting a VSC are required to provide a certified cheques or money order in the amount of \$25 at the time of application. If you are a volunteer there is no fee, provided that there is proof from your employee that the position is a volunteer position.

Applications for Criminal Record checks with VSC can take up to 10 weeks.

For more information contact your local police detachment

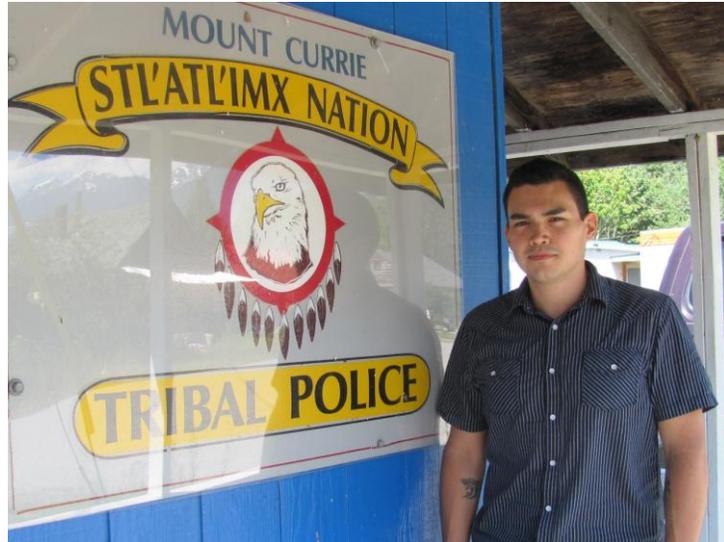
# Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police Welcomes a New Member

On September 26, 2011 Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police is happy to have its newest recruit, Mitch Thevarge going through the Justice Institutes' Police Academy.

Mitch will be participating in a grueling nine month program at the Justice Institute in New Westminister, BC.

Mitch has been a resident of the Mount Currie area for his entire life residing in D'arcy and Mount Currie with his family, wife Tanis, son Max and daughter Mia.

He has worked with Youth around the Mount Currie area and has worked at local summer camps for many years. Mitch is very in touch with his cultural roots and participates in cultural activities such as



drumming and dancing (saquta), and learning ucwalmicwts/st'at'imcets.

Mitch will be a valuable resource to the Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police and we look forward to him being a part of the team.

If you see Mitch in the community please join us in congratulating him on his acceptance into the Police Academy and wish him good luck!

## DIALING 911

On March 17, 2011 911 emergency response was launched in Pemberton, Mount Currie, D'arcy and other communities within the district.

This allows members of the communities to access fire, ambulance and police dispatch when an emergency situation arises.

Stl'atl'imx Tribal Police emergency line (604-894-5757) is still in effect and will remain to ensure there is no confusion.

If you call 911 and hang up you will be receiving a call back from dispatch to ensure that there is no emergency. Also a police officer will be coming to your door to speak with you to also ensure that you and no member of your household are in any distress. Please do not allow your children to play with your phone and accidently dial 911. This ties up police resources and but if you in an emergency situation please do not hesitate to dial 911 or the local police detachment.

# Stand Up to Bullying



The definition of bullying is defined as an abusive treatment, the use of force or coercion to affect others particularly when habitual and involving an imbalance of power. Basically it is to bring someone down through actions and words.

Bullying takes many different forms. This can range from

- verbal harassment
- physical assault and/ or
- emotional abuse.

Verbal bullying is the most common of the types of bullying. This occurs when someone calls another person names. It leaves the victim wondering, makes them self conscious and wanting to change the way he/she looks or act or what you wear. For some it's the most difficult to deal with.

Physical bullying consists of someone physically hurting another person by kicking, punching, biting, choking and more. Although this is the least common type of bullying it is the most painful

Emotional bullying or Social bullying is when a group of girls or boys single out one person. The group may spread rumors, ignoring someone or giving them the cold shoulder.

## SIGNS THAT YOUR CHILD IS BEING BULLIED

Children that are being bullied will commonly show a change in behavior and emotions. Children will tend to become

- distant from their regular activities
- as not wanting to go to school or extracurricular activities,
- they will have headaches and stomach aches,
- may have unexplained bruises or marks on their bodies,
- trouble sleeping,
- nightmares or bed wetting.

## SIGNS THAT YOUR CHILD IS BULLYING OTHERS

Children or teens who are involved in bullying others may display symptoms that may show they are involved. Such symptoms are

- little concern for others feelings
- aggressive with siblings, parents, teachers, friends and animals,
- bossy and manipulative to get their own way
- easily frustrated and quick to anger.

## WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD IS BEING BULLIED

If you feel that your child is the victim of bullying it is important to deal with the issue in a safe and adequate way. Your child may be nervous to involve a parent. Try and find your child a friend who they can trust and make attempts to contact their school and try address the problem. Have the child's aware of the problem and have them change seating in the class Also have the child encouraged to participate in activities inside and classroom. Teachers can help the child build trust within the classroom and make it a more comfortable and safe place for the child to be in

If bullying continues,

1. write down episodes that have taken place and bring them to the school administrators attention
2. Ask for the school's anti bullying policy or code of conduct
3. Make an appointment with the school administrator to discuss the problem

Remember that you are your child's most important advocate. Keep asking until you get the help your child needs.

For more information contact your local police detachment or visit <http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sco/resources.html>

**It is estimated that in Canada 160,000 children miss school everyday due to the fear of bullying by other students**

# BEING BEAR AWARE

Its that time of year again were bears are coming into the community looking for food.

There have been several bears over the past few months that have made themselves known to the community. Unfortunately, due to the amount of garbage in the area many have been put down.

Bears are curious animals and are ruled by their stomachs. They will wander into residential areas and look for food or other garbage. If they do not see any food they will leave.

The Conservation services along with the Stl'at'imx Tribal Police would like to remind you to clean up your yards and carports to make them free of garbage and other attractants for bears. If you

have fruit trees on your property please pick the fruit. Rotten fruit is one of the main attractants that brings bears into our community. If you have dog food or cat food in your carports please remove this and place it in a secure area.

If you do see a bear in the area please bring your children and dogs into your house. If a bear feels threatened it may attack especially if it has cubs near by. If you have dogs in the area they may scare bears into trees and prevent them from fleeing the area.

Lets keep our yards clean and free of bear attractants.



## REMEMBER ... A FED BEAR IS A DEAD BEAR

To report a conflict with wildlife that threatens public safety call  
**1-877-952-7277**

For more information please contact your local conservation office or police detachment.

If you wish to read more about being Bear Aware please visit

**[www.bearaware.bc.ca](http://www.bearaware.bc.ca)**

# Reporting Crimes to the Police or Crime Stoppers

The only way for the police to know when and where crimes are being committed is when we receive reports from the public.

If you are victim or witness a crime you should consider reporting the incident to police. If the offense is not reported than that person is more likely to commit the same crime again to someone else.

When calling to police some valuable information for us are as follows

1. Suspect description (Height, clothing, male or female, weight, anything that about him/her that is Identifiable to police or the public)

2. Time delay (how long ago did this happen)

3. Direction of travel (where did you see this person go?)

If you do become aware of criminal activity you can call Crime Stoppers from anywhere in BC. Crime Stoppers is available 24 hours a day and 7 days a week.

**BC CRIMESTOPPERS**  
**1-800-222-TIPS (8477)**  
**[www.bccrimestoppers.com](http://www.bccrimestoppers.com)**



# History of St'atl'imx Tribal Police Service

## St'atl'imx Tribal Police

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including the signing of additional St'atl'imx Nation communities.

In 1999, the STPS was established as a designated policing unit and police force, with full jurisdictional authority under the Police Act (s. 4.1 – 4.2). A five-year Tripartite Agreement was signed between the ten participating St'atl'imx Nation communities, and the federal and provincial governments. The STPS – RCMP Protocol Agreement was amended to reflect the increased role of the STPS.

The STPS continues to provide policing services in the ten participating St'atl'imx Nation communities.

### ***About Our Organization...***

The St'atl'imx Tribal Police provides a community based service that reflects the needs, customs, culture and rights of the St'at'imc

people and is committed to the safety and security of our communities and ensures that the St'at'imc people, and others, are always treated with dignity and respect.

The St'atl'imx Tribal Police Service (STPS), established December 1, 1999, evolved from a security program implemented by the Lillooet Band Council in 1986.

Under this program, security personnel patrolled reserve areas, engaged in preventive work, and reported criminal activity to the RCMP as appropriate.

In 1988, the Lillooet Tribal Council expanded the concept by creating a peacekeeping program for the Lillooet Tribe. Eight peacekeepers were assigned to the St'atl'imx Nation communities of T'it'q'et, Chalath and Lil'wat.

In 1992, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between seven St'atl'imx Nation

communities, the Solicitor General of Canada and the Attorney General of the province of British Columbia, which established the peacekeeping program as a tribal policing pilot project.

The Memorandum of Understanding included a Protocol Agreement with the RCMP which, as the provincial police force, retained jurisdictional authority in the participating communities. The pilot project was funded by the federal and provincial governments.

Over the next few years, modifications were made to the initial Memorandum of Understanding,

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We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://www.stlatlimxpolice.ca/>

