# The Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa

## By-law Number 15/2013

## To prohibit heavy trucks on certain highways in the Township of Guelph/Eramosa

**WHEREAS** section 9 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001 grants the council of a municipality the capacity, rights, powers and privileges of a natural person;

**WHEREAS** sections 10 and 11 of the *Municipal Act*, 2001, authorizes Council to pass by-law with respect to health, safety and well-being of persons and the economic, social and environmental well-being of the municipality;

**WHEREAS** section 11(3) assigns the Township the non-exclusive authority to pass bylaws for highways, including traffic on highways;

**WHEREAS** in the interest of health and safety of persons and the well-being of the environment, Council has concluded that heavy trucks should not be permitted to travel on a certain portion of Fife Road;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa enacts as follows:

#### 1. Short Title

This by-law may be cited as the "Prohibition of Heavy Trucks By-law."

## 2. **Definitions**

In this by-law, the following terms have the following meanings:

- 2.1 "Commercial Vehicle" means a motor vehicle having permanently attached thereto a truck or delivery body for hauling purposes on a highway.
- 2.2 "Heavy Truck" shall mean any Commercial Motor Vehicle having an actual or registered gross vehicle weight of 3 tonnes or more, but does not include:
  - a) Ambulances, police or fire department vehicles;
  - b) School or transit busses;
  - c) Emergency motor vehicles;
  - d) Public utility vehicles;
  - e) Motor vehicles owned or operated by the Township of Guelph/Eramosa or the Corporation of the County of Wellington;
  - f) Motor vehicles owned or operated by the Province of Ontario.
- 2.2 "Prohibited highway" means the highway(s) set out in Schedule "A" of this by-law.
- 2.3 "Township of Guelph/Eramosa" or "Township" means the Corporation of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa.

## 3. **Prohibitions**

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- 3.1 No person shall move, drive, stop, park or operate a Heavy Truck on a prohibited highway listed in Schedule "A" of this by-law.
- 3.2 No person shall permit or allow a Heavy Truck to move, drive, stop, park or operate a Heavy Truck on a prohibited highway listed in Schedule "A" of this by-law.
- 3.3 The prohibitions in 3.1 and 3.2 shall not apply to a Heavy Truck actually engaged in making delivery to or a collection from premises which cannot be reached except by way of the prohibited highway or a portion thereof, provided that in making such delivery or collection, the said prohibited highway is travelled only insofar as is unavoidable in getting to and from such premises.

#### 4. Detours

Section 3 hereof shall not, if compliance therewith would be impracticable, apply to the operation of any Heavy Truck upon any officially established detour.

## 5. **Signs**

The erection of heavy truck prohibition signs to give effect to this by-law is hereby authorized.

#### 6. Enforcement

A police officer, provincial offences officer, or such other persons designated by by-law from time to time may enforce all provisions of this by-law.

## 7. Offences and Penalties

Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to the set fine prescribed in Schedule "B" for offences prosecuted under Part I of the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 33, as amended, or if otherwise prosecuted, such fine and other penalty as provided for in the *Provincial Offences Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 33, as amended.

## 8. Precedence and Severability

- 8.1 Where this by-law conflicts with any other by-law of the Township of Guelph/Eramosa, this by-law shall take precedence to the extent of the conflict.
- 8.2 Should any section, paragraph or provision of this by-law, including any part of any schedule hereof be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be *ultra vires*, invalid or illegal for any reason, the same shall not affect the validity of the by-law as a whole.

## 9. Force and Effect

9.1 This By-law shall come into effect upon the date the appropriate signage is posted.

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READ three times and finally passed this **4th** day of **March**, **2013**.

Chris White, Mayor
 Meaghen Reid, Clerk