

Summary of Information

Fireworks Control Law, 2018

Sq'ewá:lxw has an inherent right to self-government and stewardship of our lands which is enabled by the Sq'ewá:lxw Land Code. In the process of implementing and exercising our jurisdiction over our land, Sq'ewá:lxw is enacting land management laws and creating policies with which we will fashion the community as envisioned by the people.

Upon the advice of the Land Advisory Committee, Sq'ewá:lxw Chief and Council, has enacted the *Sq'ewá:lxw Fireworks Control Law 2018*. The law was put forward for consideration at a duly convened meeting of Chief and Council on February 28th, 2018 and passed by Council on April 25th, 2018.

The purpose of the law is to promote safety and to protect Sq'ewá:lxw lands, members, occupants, buildings, and resources from potentially hazardous or disruptive uses of fireworks.

The law is applicable to all Sq'ewá:lxw lands including the whole area of the reserves (Skawahlook IR# 1 and Ruby Creek IR# 2), to all land held under certificate of possession, and to members and non-members.

The *Fireworks Control Law* prohibits the manufacture, repackaging, sale, or offer of sale of fireworks on Sq'ewá:lxw lands.

The law prohibits the use, discharge, firing, or setting off of any fireworks within Sq'ewá:lxw lands, unless under a valid permit obtained from Sq'ewá:lxw.

The law specifically prohibits the use of fireworks in such a place or in such a manner as might create danger or constitute a nuisance to any person or property.

The law allows for enforcement under the *Sq'ewá:lxw Enforcement and Ticketing Law* and a maximum penalty of not more than \$1,000, and in the case of manufacture or sale of fireworks a term of imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days.

For more information please refer to the Sq'ewá:lxw Fireworks Control Law 2018.

Any questions can be directed to the Lands Manager at the Sq'ewá: lxw First Nation administration office.

Copies of the Fireworks Control Law are available online or in hard copy at the administration office.

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