



DISTRICT OF NORTH SAANICH

BYLAW NO. 1571

A BYLAW TO AMEND SECTIONS OF BYLAW NO. 1148 BEING "NORTH SAANICH FIREWORKS REGULATION BYLAW"

WHEREAS the Council of the District of North Saanich has the authority under the *Community Charter* to, by bylaw, regulate, prohibit and impose requirements in relation to firecrackers, fireworks and explosives;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the District of North Saanich, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

AMENDMENTS

1. By-law No. 1148, being "North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148 (2007)" is hereby amended as follows:
 - a. By adding two new subsections to Section 3 – Prohibitions and renumbering the remaining sections accordingly:
 - i. No person may store, hold, possess, fire, set-off, explode, or otherwise use Fireworks within 200 metres (Buffer Zone) of a designated Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA). See Schedule (G).
 - ii. No person may fire, set off, explode or otherwise use Fireworks in proximity of YYJ (Victoria International Airport) as indicated in Schedule H without first coordinating with NavCanada at SM_YYJ_ShiftSupervisors@navcanada.ca. See Schedule (H)
 - b. By deleting Schedule A-1 in its entirety and replacing it with the amended Schedule A-1 attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
 - c. By deleting Schedule A-2 in its entirety and replacing it with the amended Schedule A-2 attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
 - d. By deleting Schedule C in its entirety and replacing it with the amended Schedule C attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
 - e. By deleting Schedule D in its entirety and replacing it with the amended Schedule D attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
 - f. By deleting Schedule F in its entirety and replacing it with the amended Schedule F attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
 - g. By adding Schedule G attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

- h. By adding Schedule H attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

CITATION

2. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "North Saanich Fireworks Regulation Bylaw No. 1148, Amendment Bylaw No. 1571 (2025)".

READ A FIRST TIME the 26th day of May, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME the 26th day of May, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME the 26th day of May, 2025.

FINALLY ADOPTED the 9th day of June, 2025.


MAYOR


DEPUTY CORPORATE OFFICER

SCHEDULE "A-1"**District of North Saanich – Application for Family Fireworks Permit**

Name of Applicant: _____

Birth date: _____ Age: _____

Mailing Address: (NO permits granted within ESA Buffer Zones) _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

THE APPLICANT HEREBY applies to fire, set-off or explode **Family Fireworks** on property within the District as follows:

Location: _____

Date: _____ Time: (Start) _____ (End) _____

Description of Event: _____

Estimated Number of Spectators: _____

Type and Quantity of Fireworks: _____

Description of Safety Precautions: _____

Contact Name and Phone No. for Organizer or Sponsor of Fireworks Event: _____

Contact Name and Phone for Property Owner: _____

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Information on requirements can be obtained through the North Saanich Fire Department

READ CAREFULLY

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES that the Applicant understands and will be guided by the provisions of the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks in force from time to time, and all applicable provincial and federal laws and regulations in force from time to time, and any conditions or restrictions imposed in this Permit by the Fire Chief.

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES that the Applicant understands that no person may fire, set-off, explode or otherwise use Family Fireworks except between the time and date specified in this Application.

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IN CONSIDERATION of \$10.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which the Applicant acknowledges), the Applicant covenants that the Applicant will indemnify and save harmless the District and its elected officials, employees, officers, agents and contractors from and against any and all manner of actions or causes of action, damages, costs, loss, or expenses of whatever kind (including, without limitation, legal fees) which the District or its elected officials, employees, officers, agents or contractors may sustain, incur, or be put to by reason of or arising out of:

- a) The issuance of this Permit
- b) The Fireworks Event, including, without limitation, the handling, storage, firing, setting-off, exploding or other use of fireworks in connection with this Permit;
- c) The Applicant's use or occupation of the location upon which the Fireworks Event is to occur; or,
- d) Any act or omission of the Applicant or any person for whom the Applicant is at law responsible for including, without limitation, the non-observance or non-performance of any obligation imposed by federal or provincial law.

The Applicant acknowledges that he or she has had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice as to the contents of this Agreement and that he or she is not under any legal disability.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PERMISSION IS GRANTED to the above Applicant to fire, set-off or explode **Family Fireworks**, at the location and on the date and time(s) as set-out above, subject to the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks, as amended from time to time, and to the following conditions and restrictions:

- This permit is not transferable. Only the Applicant is authorized under this permit to fire, set-off or explode fireworks.
- The Applicant may only fire, set-off or explode the type and quantity of fireworks described in the application.
- The Applicant may fire, set-off, explode or otherwise use Family Fireworks between the set time and date as approved by the Fire Chief.
- The Applicant must ensure that all debris and litter related to the Fireworks Event, including any litter left by spectators, is removed from the location at the conclusion of the Fireworks Event.

Other:

Fire Chief or authorized designate

Date of Issue

SCHEDULE "A-2"**District of North Saanich – Application for Display Fireworks Permit**

Name of Applicant: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

Mailing Address: (NO permits granted within ESA Buffer Zones) _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Fireworks Supervisor Level and Card No.: _____
(attach photocopy)

THE APPLICANT HEREBY applies to fire, set-off or explode **Display Fireworks** on property within the District as follows:

Location: _____

Date: _____ Time Start: _____ End: _____

Description of Event: _____

Estimated Number of Spectators: _____

Type and Quantity of Fireworks: _____

Description of Safety Precautions: _____

Contact Name and Phone No. for Organizer or Sponsor of Fireworks Event: _____

Contact Name and Phone No. for Property Owner: _____

A site plan including firing location and limiting distance as set-out in the *Explosives Act* for Display Fireworks is to be submitted.

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SCHEDULE "A-2"**District of North Saanich – Application for Display Fireworks Permit – Page Two*****READ CAREFULLY***

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES that the Applicant understands and will be guided by the provisions of the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks, in force from time to time, and all applicable provincial and federal laws and regulations in force from time to time, and any conditions or restrictions imposed in this Permit by the Fire Chief.

THE APPLICANT FURTHER CERTIFIES that the Applicant is authorized to the appropriate level by Natural Resources Canada to possess and fire, set-off or explode fireworks of the class specified within this application.

IN CONSIDERATION of \$75.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which the Applicant acknowledges), the Applicant covenants that the Applicant will indemnify and save harmless the District and its elected officials, employees, officers, agents and contractors from and against any and all manner of actions or causes of action, damages, costs, loss, or expenses of whatever kind (including, without limitation, legal fees) which the District or its elected officials, employees, officers, agents or contractors may sustain, incur, or be put to by reason of or arising out of:

- a) The issuance of this Permit
- b) The Fireworks Event, including, without limitation, the handling, storage, firing, setting-off, exploding or other use of fireworks in connection with this Permit;
- c) The Applicant's use or occupation of the location upon which the Fireworks Event is to occur; or,
- d) Any act or omission of the Applicant or any person for whom the Applicant is at law responsible for including, without limitation, the non-observance or non-performance of any obligation imposed by federal or provincial law.

The Applicant acknowledges that he or she has had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice as to the contents of this Agreement and that he or she is not under any legal disability.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PERMISSION IS GRANTED to the above Applicant to fire, set-off or explode **Display Fireworks** at the location and on the date and time(s) as set-out above, subject to the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks as amended from time to time, and to the following conditions and restrictions:

- This permit is not transferable. Only the Applicant is authorized under this Permit to fire, set-off or explode fireworks.
- The Applicant may only fire, set-off or explode the type and quantity of fireworks described in the application.
- The Applicant must ensure that all debris and litter related to a Fireworks Event that occurs on District property, including any litter left by the spectators, is removed from the location at the conclusion of the Fireworks Event.

Other:

Fire Chief or authorized designate

Date of Issue

SCHEDULE "C"**Agreement of Property Owner For Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event**

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Organizer or Sponsor of Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event: _____

Location of Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event: (NO permits granted within ESA Buffer Zones) _

Date: _____ Time: _____

Name of Property Owner: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Contact Name (if any): _____

The Property Owner has agreed and consented to the Organizer/Sponsor holding and the Applicant performing a Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event on the date and at the location and time described above. The Applicant has applied to the District of North Saanich for a Permit to perform such Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event.

In consideration of \$75.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the Property Owner), the Property Owner hereby remises, releases and forever discharges the District of North Saanich and its elected officials, employees, officers, agents and contractors of and from any and all matter of actions, damages, causes of action, suits, debts, claims, demands and damages of any nature or kind whatsoever which the Property Owner may at any time have against the District of North Saanich or its elected officials, employees, officers, agents or contractors arising out of any cause, matter or thing in respect of or arising out of:

- a) The issuance of the Permit to the Applicant;
- b) The Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event, including, without limitation, the handling, storage, firing, setting-off, exploding or other use of Fireworks or Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics in connection therewith;
- c) The use or occupation of the location upon which the Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event is to occur; or,
- d) Any act or omission of the Applicant or Organizer/Sponsor or any persons for whom either is, at law responsible for, including, without limitation, the non-observance or non-performance of any obligation imposed by federal or provincial law.

The Property Owner acknowledges that he or she has had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice as to the contents of this Agreement and that he or she is not under any legal disability.

Signature(s) of Property Owner(s):_____
Date:

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SCHEDULE "D"**Agreement of Organizer or Sponsor of a Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event**

Name of Applicant: _____

Location of Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event: (NO permits granted within ESA Buffer Zones) _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Name of Organizer or Sponsor of Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Contact Name (if any): _____

The Organizer/Sponsor has engaged the Applicant to perform a Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event on the date and at the location and time described above. The Applicant has applied to the District of North Saanich for a Permit to perform such Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event.

In consideration of \$75.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which the Organizer/Sponsor acknowledges), the Organizer/Sponsor hereby covenants to indemnify and save harmless the District and its elected officials, employees, officers, agents and contractors from and against any and all manner of actions or causes of action, damages, costs, loss, or expenses of whatever kind (including, without limitation, legal fees) which the District of North Saanich or its elected officials, employees, officers, agents or contractors may sustain, incur, or be put to by reason of or arising out of:

- a) The issuance of the Permit to the Applicant;
- b) The Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event, including, without limitation, the handling, storage, firing, setting off, exploding or other use of fireworks or Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics in connection therewith;
- c) The use or occupation of the location upon which the Fireworks Event or Pyrotechnics Event is to occur; or
- d) Any act or omission of the Organizer/Sponsor or Applicant or any persons for whom either is, at law responsible for, including, without limitation, the non-observance or non-performance of any obligation imposed by federal or provincial law.

The Organizer/Sponsor acknowledges that he or she has had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice as to the contents of this Agreement and that he or she is not under any legal disability.

Signature(s) of Organizer/Sponsor:_____
Date:

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SCHEDULE "F"**District of North Saanich – Application for Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics Permit**

Name of Applicant: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____

Mailing Address: (NO permits granted within ESA Buffer Zones) _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Explosives Regulatory Division Event Approval: _____
(attach photocopy)Fireworks Supervisor Level and Card No.: _____
(attach photocopy)

THE APPLICANT HEREBY applies to fire, set-off or explode **Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics** on property within the District of North Saanich as follows:

Location: _____

Date: _____

Time: (Start) _____ (End) _____ (attach time schedule of production)

Site Plan: _____ (attach plan)

Estimated Attendance: _____

Type and Quantity of fireworks, explosives and combustible products:

Firing Procedures: _____

Emergency Response Procedures: _____

Description of Fire Safety Plan (attach photocopy of Fire Chief approval): _____

Security Deposit for Fire Safety Plan: _____

List of Crew Members: _____

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Information on requirements can be obtained through the North Saanich Fire Department

SCHEDULE "F"**District of North Saanich – Application for Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics Permit – Page Two*****READ CAREFULLY***

THE APPLICANT CERTIFIES that the Applicant understands and will be guided by the provisions of the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks, in force from time to time, and all applicable provincial and federal laws and regulations in force from time to time, and any conditions or restrictions imposed in this Permit by the Fire Chief.

IN CONSIDERATION of \$75.00 and other good and valuable consideration (the receipt and sufficiency of which the Applicant acknowledges), the Applicant covenants that the Applicant will indemnify and save harmless the District and its elected officials, employees, officers, agents and contractors from and against any and all manner of actions or causes of action, damages, costs, loss, or expenses of whatever kind (including, without limitation, legal fees) which the District or its elected officials, employees, officers, agents or contractors may sustain, incur, or be put to by reason of or arising out of:

- a) The issuance of this Permit;
- b) The Pyrotechnics Event, including, without limitation, the handling, storage, firing, setting-off, exploding or other use of fireworks in connection with this Permit;
- c) The Applicant's use or occupation of the location upon which the Fireworks Event is to occur; or,
- d) Any act or omission of the Applicant or any person for whom the Applicant is at law responsible for including, without limitation, the non-observance or non-performance of any obligation imposed by federal or provincial law.

The Applicant acknowledges that he or she has had the opportunity to seek independent legal advice as to the contents of this Agreement and that he or she is not under any legal disability.

Signature of Applicant

Date

PERMISSION IS GRANTED to the above Applicant to fire, set-off or explode Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics, at the location and on the date and time(s) as set-out above, subject to the District of North Saanich Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks, as amended from time to time, and to the following conditions and restrictions:

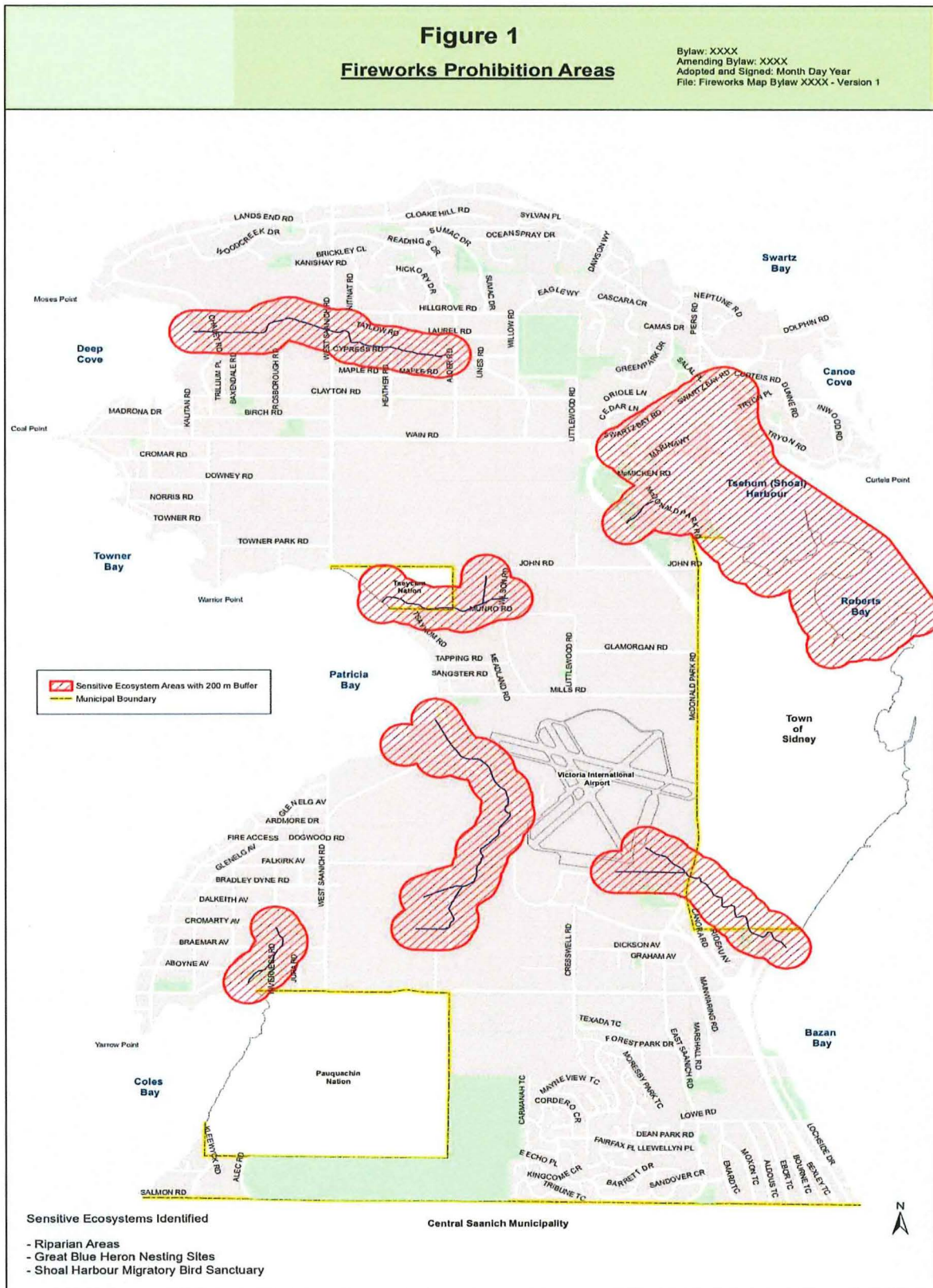
- In accordance with requirements of the Bylaw to Regulate Fireworks, the Applicant shall obtain a Comprehensive General Liability insurance policy with an inclusive limit of not less than \$5,000,000.00 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage and provide evidence of the same to the Fire Chief at the time of issuance of this Permit.
- This permit is not transferable. Only the Applicant is authorized under this Permit to fire, set-off or explode Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics.
- The Applicant may only fire, set-off or explode the type and quantity of Entertainment Industry Pyrotechnics described in the Application.
- The Applicant must ensure that all debris and litter related to a permitted event that occurs on District property, including any litter left by the spectators, is removed from the location at the conclusion of the permitted event.

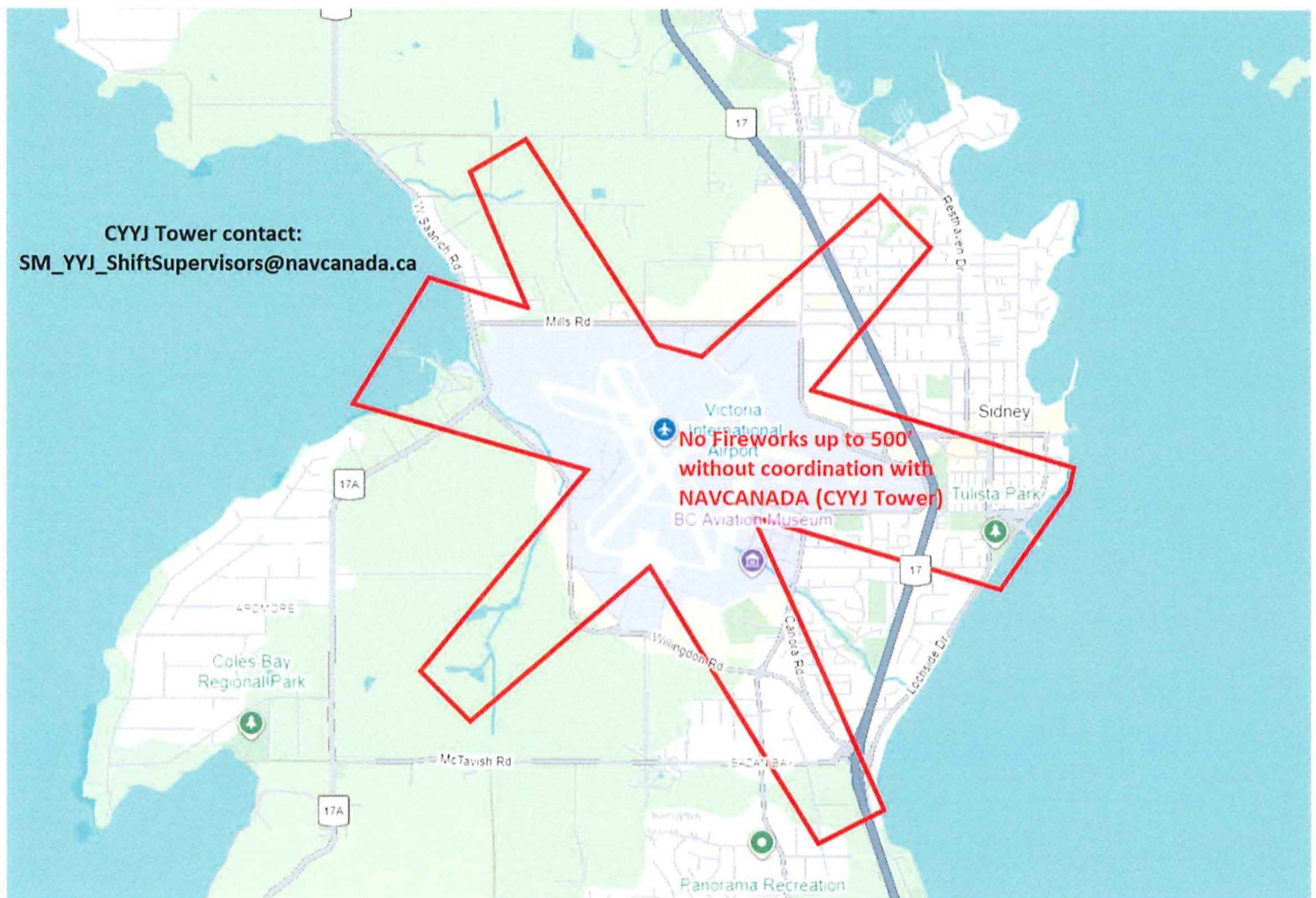
Other:

Fire Chief or authorized designate

Date of Issue

SCHEDULE "G"



SCHEDULE "H"

No Fireworks up to 500 ft to be discharged within areas indicated in **RED** without first coordinating with NAVCANADA at the CYYJ Control Tower by contacting: SM_YYJ_ShiftSupervisor@navcanada.ca