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837.1.1 Citation
This Chapter may be cited as the "Special Event Road Closure By-law."

Article 2 - Interpretation

837.2.1 City - defined
"City" means The Corporation of the City of Woodstock.

837.2.2 Closed Area - defined
"closed area" means the area of a Highway closed for the holding of an event as specified in the authorizing City by-law.

837.2.3 Emergency Access Route - defined
"emergency access route" means a pathway that is three metres on either side of the centre line of the Highway that is to be maintained obstruction free to provide emergency response vehicles access through the Closed Area.

837.2.4 Event - defined
"event" means any event of a social, recreational, sidewalk sale, community or athletic purpose.

837.2.4 Fire Hydrant Access Area - defined
"fire hydrant access area" means the area within two metres of every municipal or private hydrant located within the closed area and a two metre wide direct pathway from the edge of the Emergency access route perpendicular to a municipal or private hydrant located within the closed area.

837.2.5 Highway - defined
"highway" means a common and public highway and includes any bridge, trestle, viaduct, sidewalk or boulevard adjacent to a highway or other structure forming part of the highway and includes a portion of a highway.

837.2.6 Obstruction - defined
"obstruction" means an object that is not easily moveable, a vehicle, a stand, a booth or a structure of any kind.

Article 3 - Application

837.3.1 Application
This Chapter shall apply to every temporary closing of a Highway for the purpose of an event as authorized by City by-law.
Article 4 - Special Events

837.4.1 Emergency access route - organizer responsibility
No person in charge of organizing or operating an Event shall cause or permit any obstruction to be located within the emergency access route in the closed area other than as permitted elsewhere in this Chapter.

837.4.2 Emergency access route - obstruction - prohibited
No person shall cause or permit any obstruction to be located within the emergency access route in the closed area other than as permitted elsewhere in this chapter. (See Set Fine)

837.4.3 Hydrants - organizer - obstruction prohibited
No person in charge of organizing or operating an event shall cause or permit any obstruction to be located within the fire hydrant access area.

837.4.4 Hydrants - obstruction - prohibited
No person shall cause or permit any obstruction to be located within the fire hydrant access area. (See Set Fine)

837.4.5 Hydrants - obstruction - exemption
Sections 837.4.3 and 837.4.4 shall not apply to obstructions that are City approved permanent structures.

837.4.6 Obstruction - exemption - moveable barriers
Sections 837.4.1, 837.4.2, 837.4.3 and 837.4.4, inclusive shall not apply to easily moveable temporary barriers which are located at the entry points of an emergency access route.

837.4.7 Barriers - removal - location
No person in charge of organizing or operating an event shall fail to remove all temporary barriers from the highway at the conclusion of the event and relocated them to an area that does not impede traffic, obstruct vision on a Highway, or obstruct a hydrant.

837.4.8 Access route border line - marking- responsibility
No person in charge of organizing or operating an event shall fail to place and maintain a border line, using chalk or other such temporary material, on the surface of the highway in the closed area that indicates the emergency access routes and fire hydrant access areas that are to remain clear of obstructions. (See Set Fine)

Article 5 - Enforcement

837.5.1 Fine for - contravention
Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of this Chapter is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine or penalty as provided in
the *Provincial Offences Act*.

**837.5.2  Separate Offence - daily**
Each day a violation of this Chapter continues shall constitute a separate and distinct offence under this Chapter.

**Article 6 - Enactment**

**837.6.1  Enforcement - duties**
It shall be the duty of the Woodstock Police Service, Woodstock Fire Department Assistant to the Fire Marshal, City of Woodstock Municipal Law Enforcement Officers, or any of the above mentioned designates, to enforce the provisions of this Chapter.

**837.6.2  By-law - previous**
All previous by-laws, parts thereof or any amendments thereto inconsistent with this Chapter are hereby repealed.

**837.6.3  Effective date**
The by-law upon which this Chapter is founded comes into force and takes effect on September 20, 2012 by By-law Number 8799-12. By-law 8799-12, September 20, 2012.