

VILLAGE OF BEISEKER

Title	Idling and Traffic Violations	POLICY NO:	F-23
Authority	Village of Beiseker Council		

Purpose

To curb unnecessary engine idling of municipal fleet vehicles in order to improve air quality, reduce emissions and fuel use, and promote idle-free driving in the community and to outline procedures for traffic violation responsibilities.

Policy Statement and Guidelines

Idling

1. Municipal fleet vehicles will not idle unnecessarily at any time. Unnecessary idling includes the following:
 - a. Idling longer than mechanically necessary after engine start-up,
 - b. Leaving an idling vehicle unattended,
 - c. Idling when parked for longer than 3 minutes to complete a task (this does not include being stopped traffic).
2. This policy applies to all municipal employees that drive and/or operate municipal vehicles and motorized equipment that are owned, leased or rented by the Village of Beiseker.
3. This policy will be overseen by the CAO. All supervisors are responsible for communicating this policy to new employees and ensuring that their staff adhere to its parameters.
4. Due to the wide range of services provided by the Village of Beiseker, some considerations and exemptions apply to this policy, so as to not impact service delivery and worker safety.

The following exemptions relate to circumstances where idling is not considered “unnecessary”:


- a. Vehicles/equipment assisting at an emergency scene,
- b. Vehicles/equipment that are undergoing mechanical work and diagnostic testing,
- c. Vehicles/equipment that must run in order to power auxiliary equipment,
- d. To ensure worker safety when working in remote areas or construction sites in extreme temperatures where a warm-up area is unavailable, as per provincial Occupational Health and safety regulations.

Traffic Violations

Employees using vehicles and motorized equipment that are owned, leased or rented by the Village of Beiseker are expected to drive and park within the law.

If a traffic violation occurs when an employee is using a vehicle or motorized equipment owned, leased or rented by the Village of Beiseker, this must be reported to the manager and costs for the violation will be the responsibility of the employee. Excessive numbers of violations may result in suspension.

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