

BY-LAW NO. 2020 - XX

A by-law of the City of Ottawa to amend By-law No. 2013-416 to provide for standards under which properties are maintained.

The Council of the City of Ottawa enacts as follows:

1. Section 1 of By-law No. 2013-416 entitled “A by-law of the City of Ottawa to provide for standards under which properties are maintained.”, as amended, is amended by repealing the definition of “vermin”.

2. Section 1 of the said By-law No. 2013-416 is further amended by adding the following definition immediately following the definition of “hotel, motel and motor hotel”:

“infestation” means:

- a) one or more bedbugs;
- b) a multitude of insects other than bedbugs; or
- c) any mammal or bird identified as a pest;

3. Section 1 of the said By-law No. 2013-416 is further amended by adding the following definition immediately following the definition of “person”:

“pest” means a mammal, bird or insect infestation injurious to humans or property, including but not limited to rats, mice, bats, ants, cockroaches, silverfish, fleas, or bedbugs, but does not include any species designated under the *Species at Risk Act* or *Endangered Species Act, 2007*;

4. The heading “VERMIN PREVENTION” that precedes Section 13 of the said By-law No. 2013-416 is repealed and the heading “PEST CONTROL” is substituted therefor.

5. Section 13 of the said By-law No. 2013-416 is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

13. (1) A dwelling shall be kept reasonably free of pests and from conditions which may encourage infestations from such pests.

- (2) Openings and holes in a building, including chimneys, windows, doors, vents, holes for pipes and electrical fixtures, cracks, and floor drains that might permit the entry of pests shall be screened or sealed as appropriate so as to prevent pests from entering.
- (3) Methods used for pest control shall be in accordance with applicable provincial and federal statutes and regulations.

6. This by-law shall come into force and take effect on August 31, 2021.