

ENJOY YOUR
STAY IN TAY





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Welcome to Tay Township

Welcome to beautiful Tay Township! We are happy you are here, be it for vacation, just passing through or to see family and friends.

Our municipality is a caring and kind community with unique charm and character. In addition to a large rural community, Tay is composed of the villages of Port McNicoll, Victoria Harbour, Waubaushene and Waverley.

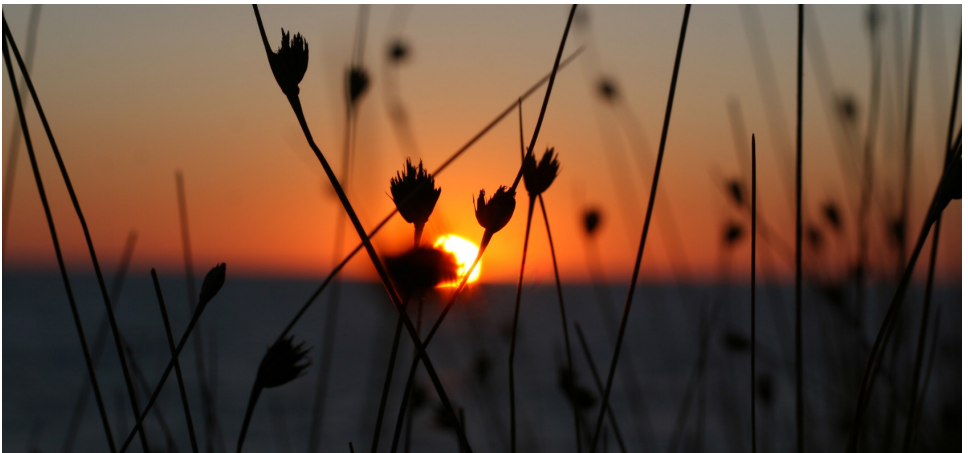
I encourage you to explore all that our municipality has to offer, from the 18.5 km paved Tay Shore Trail, to waters of Georgian Bay, to the unique and deep history that surrounds us, there is always something more to discover in Tay Township.

While you enjoy and explore our community I hope that you take some time to review this guide, which helps highlight some of our community standards. Not sure when you can set off fireworks, or the rules around having a backyard fire? This guide is designed to be a quick reference to these important questions.

Being the best community we can be is about respecting those around us, we encourage all residents, community members, stakeholders and visitors to be good neighbours, respect each other, and follow our community standards to ensure that everyone is able to use and enjoy their property in a safe and healthy manner.

Thank you for visiting our community, it's a pleasure to have you. Have fun, stay safe and we will see you again soon.

Mayor Ted Walker





About Tay Township

Tay Township is a strong, cohesive rural community.

We celebrate and promote our unique history, natural heritage, and recreational amenities as the cornerstone to our quality of life. Our unique villages and towns support a host of events, services and businesses that contribute to growing the local economy and create a unique destination experience for residents and visitors to the community.

The area offers an array of community groups and clubs, passive and active sporting activities, arts and culture, rural and urban settings and much more to keep anyone as active as they wish.

Tay Township is committed to delivering responsive and cost-effective municipal services and infrastructure that provide for the long-term economic, social and environmental well-being of our residents and community.

Visit our Township website for more information on who we are at www.tay.ca, view local event listings at tay.ca/events, or check us out on social media [Twitter@TayTownship](https://twitter.com/TayTownship) and [Facebook@TayTownshipON](https://facebook.com/TayTownshipON).

Fun Fact! Did you know that the Township was named in 1822 after the pet dog of Lady Sarah Maitland, wife of the Lieutenant Governor of Upper Canada. Two other adjoining townships were also named for her pet dogs, Tiny and Flos (now Springwater Township).

Tay Shore Trail



The multi-use paved trail stretches 18.5 km through the Township and is registered as part of the Trans Canada Trail. From the Wye River to Waubaushene and into Port McNicoll along the Trestle Trail, users can enjoy the nature setting of the trail which is enhanced by informative plaques outlining the natural and historical aspects of our municipality. More information available at tay.ca/trails.

General Rules of Etiquette:

- Expect and respect other trail users.
- Stay on the trail! Respect neighbouring landowners by staying off private property.
- Please place garbage in the receptacles provided - help keep the trail clean.
- Maintain control of your pets. Dogs must be leashed at all times. Stoop and Scoop is mandatory!
- Motorized vehicles including but not limited to snowmobiles, dirt bikes, ATVs, and power assisted bicycles (E-bikes) are NOT permitted on the trail.
- Keep to the right to allow other users to pass on your left. Wheels give way to heels - please be mindful of users who are going at a slower pace than you.
- Use extra caution at access points and yield to traffic when crossing roads.
- Avoid making excessive noise.
- Obey all posted regulatory signs. Use trails only according to the permitted uses indicated on the signage, pursuant to Township By-law.



Explore the Area

Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre

The Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre is located on 3,000 acres of wetlands, fen and forest in Tay Township. The Centre includes an amphibian and reptile display hall, hiking, biking and skiing trails, canoeing and kayaking routes, an observation tower and boardwalks, birds of prey display, education classroom, event facilities, gift shop and naturalists on staff. More at wymarsh.com.

Martyrs' Shrine

The Martyrs' Shrine is the National Shrine to the Canadian Martyrs. This holy and historic site honours the eight Jesuit Saints who lived, worked, and died here over 350 years ago. At the Martyrs' Shrine pilgrims of all faiths and cultures will be renewed in faith, hope and love, and inspired to continue the mission of this sacred place where saints walked. More information at martyrs-shrine.com

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons

Sainte-Marie among the Hurons was the headquarters for the French Jesuit Mission to the Huron Wendat people. In 1639, the Jesuits, along with French lay workers, began construction of a fenced community that included barracks, a church, workshops, residences, and a sheltered area for Native visitors. After extensive archaeological and historical research, Sainte-Marie among the Hurons is now recreated on its original site, where the mission's compelling story is brought to life. Visitors get a unique opportunity to see the earliest Canadian pioneer life, through guided or self-guided visits and special events. More at hhp.on.ca

Outdoor Burning



Outdoor Burning in Tay Township

Anyone having an outdoor fire in Tay Township needs a Fire Permit.

Does the property you are staying at have a fire permit? Ask your host if they've obtained one before you have a fire.

Before you burn CALL 705-999-5941 to see if there is a Fire Ban in effect.

Outdoor Burning Rules

- A copy of the property's fire permit must be on hand.
- All Open Air burning shall be confined to either; An open air burning device: Barrel, Chiminea etc. OR Fire Pit with a burn area no larger than one (1) cubic metre.
- Ensure that adjacent properties are protected from your fire and the smoke created by your fire.
- Only burn clean, dry seasoned wood.
- You cannot burn: kitchen garbage, construction materials or materials made of/or containing rubber, plastic or tar.
- Fires must be at least 6.096 metres (20 feet) from combustible structures or objects.
- Only one fire burning at a time is allowed.
- Fires must be attended, controlled and supervised at all times by a competent adult.
- Fires must be completely extinguished before leaving.

Recreational Fire Permit Rules & Guidelines			
<p>No Fires from 2AM to 8AM</p> 	<p>Do NOT Burn Yard Waste</p> 	<p>Do NOT Burn Wood Pallets</p> 	<p>Do NOT burn Household Garbage</p> 
<p>No Fires when it's raining</p> 	<p>No Fires when wind exceeds 24 km per hour</p> 	<p>You CAN ONLY Burn Dry Seasoned Wood</p> 	
<p>Please ensure you have enough water and equipment to extinguish your fire</p>  			

Review the full Outdoor Burning By-law at tay.ca/bylaws

Fireworks



Setting off Fireworks in Tay Township

You can set off fireworks on the following days:

Victoria Day, Canada Day, News Year's Eve, New Year's Day and the three days immediately preceding or following each of these days between dusk and 11:00 p.m.

Fireworks are not permitted to be set off during any other dates or times.

Fireworks are to be set off only on land belonging to the person setting off the fireworks, or on other privately-owned land where the written consent of the owner has been given.

Fireworks should not be set off on or into any highway, street, lane, boulevard, roundabout, or private roadway.

Review the full Fireworks By-law at tay.ca/bylaws

Noise



Noise Control in Tay Township

Be a good neighbour and abide by the rules around the Tay Township Noise Control By-law.

The purpose of this by-law is to help control activities that cause noises that substantially interfere with other people's health, safety or the normal use and enjoyment of their property.

It is recommended that property owners, and those staying at a property in Tay Township review the rules and regulations around noise.

Here are a few highlights of the Noise By-law:

- Yelling, shouting, hooting or other boisterous activity may not take place after 11:00 p.m.
- Noise created by music, sound equipment, or musical instrument that is played at a level that disturbs the peace, comfort, rest, sleep or tranquillity of any person should not take place at any time.
- A Municipal Law Enforcement Officer may at any time, enter onto the property to determine whether the By-law is being complied with.
- Fines range from \$150.00 to \$300.00.

Review the full Noise By-law at tay.ca/bylaws

Garbage & Recycling

Help keep Tay Township looking as beautiful as ever by properly disposing of garbage and not littering.

The purpose of the Littering By-law is to help stop littering on both private and public property.

A few highlights of the by-law include:

No placing, throwing, or depositing garbage on:

- Any highway, bridge, road allowance or other public property within the Township.
- Private Property within the Township.

If you are found responsible for littering on Township property, you will be required to remove the garbage within 72 hours.

Fines for any of the above offences start at \$300.00.

The County of Simcoe provides waste management services, including garbage pick-up and recycling for Tay Township. For more information visit simcoe.ca/waste.

Review the full Littering By-law at tay.ca/bylaws



Parking



Help keep all residents and visitors to Tay Township safe by Parking your vehicle properly. The rules around parking are found in the Parking by-law.

A few highlights from the by-law include:

No parking within 3m of any fire hydrant at any time.

Do not park on a street in a way that blocks or obstructs:

- Traffic
- Sidewalks or boulevards
- Entrances to any land or driveway into private or public property

Trailer Parking is available with a permit in the Municipal lots located at 110 and 145 Albert Street in Victoria Harbour. Trailer Parking Permits are available to all residents and property owners in Tay Township.

Parking on side streets throughout Victoria Harbour is available. Please be sure to read road signs to determine if trailer parking is permitted before you park.



For more information on where to launch your boat or park your trailer visit tay.ca/BoatLaunch.

Review the full Parking By-law at tay.ca/bylaws

Local Amenities



Grocery Store

Foodland
178 John Street
Victoria Harbour, ON

Public Boat Launch

91 Albert Street
Victoria Harbour, ON
L0K 2A0

Pharmacy

Guardian Tay Pharmacy
115 William Street
Victoria Harbour, ON

Hospital

Georgian Bay General
1112 St. Andrews Drive
Midland, ON

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Municipal Law Enforcement Officer

Phone: 705-534-7248 x 5

Email: melo@tay.ca

Tay Township

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