

# **CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER**



## **Shark Fin Regulation Bylaw No. 7564, 2012**

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## BYLAW NO. 7564, 2012

A Bylaw to Regulate the Trade, Sale, and Distribution of Shark Fins and Products Derived from Shark Fins in the City of New Westminster

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WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster has the authority to regulate in relation to business;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster considers the trade, sale, and distribution of shark fins and products derived from shark fins to be noxious and offensive business activities, and further wishes to ban those activities for the purpose of protecting and enhancing the wellbeing of the City of New Westminster;

THE COUNCIL of the Corporation of the City of New Westminster in open meeting assembled hereby enacts as follows:

### **Title**

1. This Bylaw shall be cited for all purposes as "Shark Fin Regulation Bylaw No. 7564, 2012".

### **Definitions**

2. In this Bylaw:
  - (a) "business" has the meaning given by the Community Charter, R.S.B.C. 2003, c. 26, as amended from time to time;
  - (b) "business entity" means any person or other entity that is carrying on a business in the City of New Westminster, and includes any sole proprietorship, partnership, cooperative or limited company;
  - (c) "shark" means any of approximately 400 species of marine carnivorous fishes of the class Chondrichthyes (subclass Elasmobranchii);
  - (d) "shark fin" means the raw, dried, or otherwise processed detached fin, or the raw, dried or otherwise processed detached tail, of a shark.

### **Regulation**

3. No person or business entity shall sell, trade, or distribute, or offer for sale, trade, or distribution, shark fins or products derived from shark fins within the City of New Westminster.

**Offence**

4. Every person or business entity who contravenes the provisions of this Bylaw commits an offence and is liable, upon summary conviction, to a fine of not more than \$10,000.00. A separate offence shall be deemed to be committed upon each day during and in which any contravention of this Bylaw occurs or continues.

Adopted December 10, 2012