



## R.M. OF LUMSDEN No. 189 POLICY

Title: **Naming Municipal Roads**

Effective: August 1, 2024

Amended:

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### **Background:**

At their January 4, 1993, meeting, the Council of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189 passed resolution No. 299 adopting a policy for naming and signing of municipal roads. The policy only referred to ratepayers requesting road names and signage.

Pursuant to the Municipalities Act, a Municipality has the authority to name streets and roads within their jurisdiction.

### **Purpose:**

To provide fair and consistent criteria for naming and renaming roads within the boundaries of the Rural Municipality of Lumsden No. 189.

### **Policy:**

Before a road name can be assigned, the Planning & Development Department will assess the name against the criteria set out in this policy. Only those that meet the criteria will be brought to Council and a resolution will be requested to support the name, or in the case of internal subdivision road names, a resolution supporting the subdivision and its internal road names.

For the purposes of the Provincial Emergency Communications Centre (Sask911), Civic Addressing System, roads built on the Range Road or Township Road provincial grid system, will be named according to their Range Road or Township Road number.

Roads that are not build on the Range Road or Township Road provincial grid system may be named, using these general guidelines for names:

1. Are easily pronounced, recognized and spelled.
2. The name is not already assigned to a road in the municipality or has the same spelling or pronunciation as an existing road name in the municipality.
3. Must not be awkward, corrupt, discriminatory or derogatory.
4. Must not be named after an individual, except in the case of an internal subdivision road, at the time of subdivision.
5. Generally, should not exceed 20 characters in length, including spaces between words, but excluding cardinal direction letters and street suffix abbreviations.
6. Cannot include special characters (dashes, hyphens, etc.)
7. Must not result in or be perceived as a competitive advantage, benefit, or preferential treatment to the named party, except in the case of internal subdivision road names as a part of a new subdivision application.
8. While the term "Road" is the most common, other suffixes such as Trail, Street, Drive, etc. are acceptable, but should reflect the nature of the road.

9. Council will consider all proposed names which meet the criteria but are under no obligation to approve any proposed name, even if it meets the criteria.

**Procedure:**

1. Any person, including a member of Council or member of staff, can make a request to the Director of Planning & Development for the RM of Lumsden No. 189.

2.

Ratepayers requesting the road name are responsible for the costs of signage materials and costs. The municipality will not charge a fee for the installation of the signs.