

The Corporation of the Town of Milton

Report To:	Council
From:	Meaghen Reid, Director, Legislative & Legal Services/Town Clerk
Date:	October 25, 2021
Report No:	CORS-055-21
Subject:	Housekeeping amendments to Property Standards By-law 131- 2012
Recommendation:	That the housekeeping amendments to the Town of Milton Property Standards By-law 131-2012, Section 39, be adopted in order to comply with regulations outlined in the Building Code Act;
	AND THAT the necessary by-law, included on the October 25, 2021 Council Meeting agenda, be considered for approval.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Following review, staff recommend that the Milton's Property Standards By-law 131-2012 requires a housekeeping update to reflect legislative changes to the Ontario Building Code Act and to ensure compliance with the Town's by-law provisions and the requirements of this Act.

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Background

The *Ontario Building Code Act, 1992,* regulates matters related to design and minimum construction standards in Ontario. Adherence to the design standards set out in Section 9.5 of the Ontario Building Code provides occupants a safe and healthy space for inhabitants

Discussion

A housekeeping amendment to Milton's Property Standards Bylaw 131-2012 requires the removal of Section 39 of the By-law, which includes occupancy standards that are no longer compliant with the provisions of the Ontario Building Code Act.

Staff are recommending that section be removed and replaced with the following wording:

39 Occupancy Standards

39.1 No *person* shall use or permit the use of a *non-habitable room* for a habitable room purpose.



Discussion

39.2 Every habitable room within a dwelling unit shall conform to the provisions of 9.5 of the Ontario Building Code.

39.3 No room shall be used for sleeping purposes unless it conforms to the dimensions prescribed in section 9.5 of the Ontario Building Code

The recommended wording above complies with the requirements of the Ontario Building Code Act to ensure that occupancy standards align with the provisions of the Act. This amendment will provide clarity for staff with respect to building inspections and any related enforcement.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impacts associated with this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

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CAO Approval Andrew M. Siltala Chief Administrative Officer

Recognition of Traditional Lands

The Town of Milton resides on the Treaty Lands and Territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. We also recognize the traditional territory of the Huron-Wendat and Haudenosaunee people. The Town of Milton shares this land and the responsibility for the water, food and resources. We stand as allies with the First Nations as stewards of these lands.