

6.08.040 Beekeeping.

Bees may be kept within the boundaries of the **City** of Mills subject to the following provisions.

A. Establishment of Colonies shall be done pursuant to permit authorized by the **City** Council of the **City** of Mills. No person may establish a Bee Colony without first obtaining a permit pursuant to this section.

B. Applications for permits shall describe:

i. The intended location for the apiary, as that term is defined at Wyo. Stat. Sect 11-7-131, including reference to the distance to property boundaries.

ii. The number of hives in the apiary, including the number of bees that are intended.

iii. The owner of the apiary and the owner of the real property. If the owner of the real property is not the same person or entity as the owner of the apiary, proof that the owner of the real property has given permission for the apiary must be provided.

C. Any person keeping bees in the City of Mills must fully comply with the applicable provisions of Wyo. Stat Sec. 11-7-131 et seq. in every fashion, including the registration of the subject apiary, as apiary is defined and categorized at Wyo. Stat Sec. 11-7-131.

D. Failure to timely register an apiary under Wyo. Stat Sec. 11-7-202 and/or Wyo. Stat. Sec. 11-7-205 as required by those provisions shall be deemed a breach of the conditions of the permit allowing for the keeping of bees within the City of Mills.

E. Any person keeping bees in the City of Mills must remain in compliance with all applicable provisions of the laws regarding the same as set forth by the State of Wyoming, and any applicable regulations pertaining to the same promulgated by the State of Wyoming or the Federal Government.

F. Bees hives and apiaries may not be established closer than five (5) feet to property boundary on the lots on which they are kept. Bees hives and apiaries may not be established on that part of a lot which is between a municipal street and structures located on the lot.

6.08.050 Failure to Comply with Sec. 6.08.040

Failure to comply with any of the provisions set forth in Sec. 6.08.040 shall be deemed to be a breach of the conditions of the permit. In such instances the City of Mills may issue a citation for the violation and, additionally:

- A. Fine the permittee as set forth in Sec. 1.03.010 and;
- B. Require that the Beekeeper become compliant within sixty (60) days of a citation for violation and
- C. Require the removal of the apiary. Should removal be required, and the owner of the apiary fail to do so, the City may cause the apiary to be removed with all expenses associated with the same to be borne by the apiary owner.

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