

Brandon Fire and Emergency Services



Vacant Buildings Policy – “P29”

The following Policy is in accordance with the City of Brandon’s Fire Prevention By-Law #7200

Vacant Buildings

1. The owner or occupier of a vacant building shall at all times ensure that the premises are free from debris and combustible or flammable substances, and shall keep all openings to the building securely closed and fastened to prevent entry of unauthorized persons.
2. If the owner fails to secure a vacant building within a reasonable time or on notice by Brandon Fire and Emergency Services, the Authority Having Jurisdiction may enter on the property and cause the necessary work to be conducted by employees, agents or contractors of the City at the cost of the owner or occupier. The owner shall pay the applicable fee prescribed in the City’s annual Fee Schedule By-law. If the owner or occupier cannot be located to pay this bill then all costs may be added to the real property taxes for the premises and collected in the same manner as normal taxes.
3. All safety systems must be maintained to the same level as to when the building was occupied.