

Common Seal And Armorial Achievement By-Law

- Seal
1. The common seal of the Municipality shall be made of suitable material, and shall have such device engraved thereon as the Council from time to time orders.
- In custody of Clerk
2. The seal shall be kept by the Clerk.
- Execution of documents
3. All deeds or documents to which the Municipality is a party and to which a seal is requisite, shall be authenticated by the Municipal seal and the Warden and Clerk shall when duly authorized sign such deeds or documents, and affix the seal thereto.
- Fees payable
4. The Warden or Clerk may affix the seal to any proper certificate or document for the purpose of the authentication of the same upon payment of the following fees:
- (a) for affixing the seal to any document to be used out of the Province \$2.50
 - (b) for affixing the seal to any document to be used within the Province but outside the Municipality \$1.50
 - (c) for affixing the seal to any document to be used within the Municipality \$1.00

ARMORIAL ACHIEVEMENT

- Arms
5. (1) The arms of the Municipality shall be as follows:
- Azure a clenched dexter hand with a sprig of mayflower in bloom proper and banner; Chief-cross of St. Andrews, a white cross on a blue field; dexter fess - ship on field of gold with sails spread; sinister fess - lamp of knowledge; dexter base - fish superimposed on axe and pick; sinister base - stag's head, all proper;
- (2.) The foregoing heraldic description shall be interpreted as follows:
- Steel helmet with visor closed facing right surmounted by clenched hand holding natural sprig of mayflowers in bloom with gold banner and peripheral scroll. Flag of St. Andrews on top of shield. Shield contains on the left as one faces it red ship on gold field with sails spread over base of fish superimposed on crossed axe and pick; on the right the lamp of knowledge on a red field; on top stag's head in red on field of gold. Supporters - blue mantle with gold lining tasselled with a gold cord and thistle. The motto to be shown below on a ribbon as "CUIMHNICH AIR NA DAOINE O'N B'THAINIG THU" which may be freely translated as "Remember the men from whom you are sprung".
- Rendering Arms
6. The following directions shall be followed by any person rendering the Arms of the Municipality. While a certain degree of artistic latitude may be permitted any person in rendering the Arms, strict adherence shall be given to placement and colouring where designated. The Cross of St. Andrews is to have the same characteristics as appears on the flag of Nova Scotia. The helmet shall have a closed visor, and of metal. Fess and base shall be of nearly equal size, and the clenched hand shall be shown rising from the helmet. The mayflower shall be shown as the trailing arbutus (*Epigaea repens*, Linn.).

Where arms
not rendered
in colour

7. In any case in which the Arms of the Municipality are not rendered in colours, the colours herein-before deigned shall be indicated as follows:

For blue: by fine lateral lines on the
background of the Shield

For red: by fine horizontal lines in the
background

For gold: by fine dots upon

For green: by fine curved diagonal lines

When colours are used, yellow may be substituted for gold and any suitable shade of blue may be used where that colour is to be shown.

Use of
Arms and
Crest

8. The Arms may be used alone, and the Crest may be used alone. Where the complete armorial achievement is shown, the crest and both supporters shall be used.

Use of
Arms

9. The Arms may be used on decorative emblems, official Municipal notices, Municipal stationery, vehicles, Municipal Buildings and other municipal property, and in any other manner determined by the Council for the purpose of indicating the authority, property or officers of the Municipality.

10. (1) The Council may by Resolution permit the Town of Pictou as the shire town of the County of Pictou to use the Arms and Crest of the Municipality in a manner prescribed by such Resolution.

(2) Every person who uses or exhibits the Arms or Crest without the express written authority of the Council shall be guilty of an offence against this By-Law and shall be liable on summary conviction to a penalty not exceeding One Hundred Dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

**(This By-Law was approved by the Minister
of Municipal Affairs on June 21, 1973.)**