

BYLAW NO. S-10

A BYLAW RESPECTING DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS

THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ST. STEPHEN, UNDER THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN IT BY SECTION 11(1)(G) OF THE *MUNICIPALITIES ACT* BEING CHAPTER M-22 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF NEW BRUNSWICK 1966, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO, AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF PEACE, ORDER, AND GOOD GOVERNMENT, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. DEFINITIONS

1.01 "Firearm" is defined as per section 2 of the *Criminal Code of Canada* as a barreled weapon from which any shot, bullet or other projectile can be discharged and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death to a person, and includes any frame or receiver of such a barreled weapon and anything that can be adapted for use as a firearm.

1.02 "Spring Gun" means any spring gun and includes any instrument or device for projecting missiles by spring pressure obtained by mechanical means.

1.03 "Air Rifle" means an air rifle, air pistol, or air gun and any instrument or device for projecting missiles by air and by gas pressure obtained by mechanical means.

1.04 "Bow" means a device for shooting arrows and includes a long bow, reflex bow, compound bow, and a cross bow.

1.05 "Sling Shot" means a framed mechanical catapult for propelling a projectile.

2. STATUTES AND PROHIBITIONS

2.01 Statutes for the possession, registration, and storage of firearms and munitions are defined under Federal Statute Bill C-68, *An Act Respecting Firearms And Weapons*.

2.02 In addition to the statutes and regulations for the Province of New Brunswick in the *Fish and Wildlife Act* for reasons of public safety, no person shall, within the Town of St. Stephen, discharge a firearm, except while engaged in target practice conducted exclusively within an appropriately designed and constructed building and/or at a designated approved site by Town Council.

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3. PENALTY

Every person who violates any provision of this bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) and not more than the maximum fine that may be imposed for commission of an offence punishable under Part II of the *Provincial Offences Procedure Act* as a category C offence, unless superceded by the penalties associated with the Federal and Provincial statutes outlined above in subsection 2.02 and section 3 respectively.

Read a first time this 16th day of September 2002

Read a second time this 21st day of October 2002

Read a third time and passed this 21st day of October, 2002



W. Robert Brown, Mayor



Brenda Knight, Town Clerk