

BY-LAW NO. 150-79

BEING A BY-LAW TO PROHIBIT AND REGULATE THE  
DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WITHIN THE CITY OF  
NORTH BAY AND TO REPEAL BY-LAW NO. 57-72.

WHEREAS the Council of The Corporation of the City of North Bay deems it advisable to prohibit and regulate the discharging of firearms within a defined portion of the area of the City of North Bay pursuant to Section 354(1), Paragraph 30 of The Municipal Act, Chapter 284, R.S.O. 1970 as amended;

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NORTH BAY HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. For the purposes of this By-law:

(a) "Firearm" shall mean any gun, a pistol, revolver, or a firearm that is capable of firing bullets in rapid succession, air gun, spring gun, or arrow, or any class or type thereof.

(b) "Peace Officer" includes a mayor, sheriff, deputy sheriff, sheriff's officer, or a justice of the peace.

2. Except in an approved range, no person shall discharge any firearm within an area of the City of North Bay described as follows:

That area contained within the most southerly, easterly and westerly boundaries of the City of North Bay to and along the north boundary line of Concession 1 of the former Township of Widdifield.

3. This By-law shall not apply to the discharge of any firearm on any firing range under the direction and control of any Department or Agency of the Government of Canada, or the Government of the Province of Ontario.

4. An approved range referred to in Section 2 of this By-law shall be a range constructed for the purposes of range firing, archery practice, or other such controlled firing activities and which complies with the following standards and for which a permit has been issued in writing by the Director of Planning and Works.
  - (a) All firing ranges shall be sited in such manner that the direction of fire is away from any travelled road;
  - (b) All rifle ranges shall be equipped with suitable backstops and earth berms which will serve as protective buffers between the range operation and adjoining property;
  - (c) Sufficient and adequate warning signs shall be placed around the perimeter of a firing range site; and
  - (d) A sign shall be placed on the access road to a firing range site signifying when the range is in use.
5. No section in this By-law shall prevent or restrict Police, or other peace officers from the use of firearms in the course of duty.
6. Any person convicted of a breach of the provisions of this By-law shall forfeit and pay, at the discretion of the convicting Magistrate, a penalty or fine not exceeding the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each offence, exclusive of costs, recoverable under The Summary Convictions Act.
7. By-law No. 57-72 of the City of North Bay is hereby repealed.

READ A FIRST TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL THIS 7TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1979  
READ A SECOND TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST 1979  
READ A THIRD TIME IN OPEN COUNCIL AND FINALLY ENACTED AND PASSED  
THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST, 1979.

  
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