

VILLAGE OF SHERIDAN  
ORDINANCE NO. 1994 - 1

AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS, BOWS AND ARROWS AND OTHER WEAPONS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF SHERIDAN.

THE VILLAGE OF SHERIDAN ORDAINS:

SECTION I - FIREARMS - UNLAWFUL DISCHARGE

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge a firearm within the Village of Sheridan.

SECTION II - DEFINITION - FIREARMS

For purposes of this Ordinance, a firearm shall include any rifle, pistol, handgun, shotgun, or other device used to shoot or propel an object by the use of explosives, gas, or air, but shall not include a smooth bore rifle or handgun designed and manufactured exclusively for shooting BB's no larger than .177 caliber by means of spring, gas or air.

SECTION III - BOWS AND ARROWS, DISCHARGE

It shall be unlawful for any person to shoot or discharge any bow and arrow within the Village of Sheridan.

SECTION IV - BOW AND ARROW - DEFINITION

Bow and arrows shall include any long bow, compound bow, cross bow, recurve bow, or other such device designed or manufactured to propel any arrow, dart, or other projectile, but shall not include any bow and arrow designed and manufactured for children which shoots arrows having rubber tips and which has a draw weight of five pounds or less.

SECTION V - EXCEPTIONS, POLICE OFFICERS, SELF DEFENSE

This Ordinance shall not be construed to prohibit any officer of the law from discharging a firearm in the performance of his duty; nor shall it be construed to prohibit any citizen from a lawful defense of person or property.

SECTION VI - VIOLATION, PENALTIES

Any violation of this Ordinance shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) together with costs of prosecution, or imprisonment not to exceed ninety days (90) or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court.

SECTION VII - REPEALER

Any Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION VIII - SEVERABILITY

Should any portion of this Ordinance be found invalid for any reason, such holding shall not be construed as affecting the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION IX - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect on April 1, 1994.

Marilyn Hancock, Village Clerk

Stephen C. Scott, Village President