



By-law No. 1995-119

"A By-law to Prohibit and Regulate the Discharge of Guns or Other Firearms, Air-Guns, Spring-Guns, Cross-Bows, Long-Bows or any Class or Type Thereof in the City of Owen Sound"

**Originally Passed and Enacted July 24, 1995**

<b>Amended by By-law:</b>	<b>Passed On:</b>
Not Amended	

***Consolidated Version***

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**BY-LAW NO. 1995 - 119**

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF OWEN SOUND**

**A BY-LAW TO PROHIBIT AND REGULATE THE DISCHARGE OF GUNS OR OTHER FIREARMS, AIR-GUNS, SPRING-GUNS, CROSS-BOWS, LONG-BOWS OR ANY CLASS OR TYPE THEREOF IN THE CITY OF OWEN SOUND**

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, R.S.O. 1990, Section 210 (36) authorizes municipalities to pass By-laws for the purpose of public safety, for prohibiting and regulating the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows, long-bows, or any class or type thereof; and

WHEREAS City Council passed By-law 2323 on July 6, 1959 being `A By-law to Prohibit and Regulate the Discharge of Guns or other Firearms, Air-Guns and Spring Guns or Any Class or Type Thereof in the City of Owen Sound; and

WHEREAS City Council deems it desirable, for the purpose of public safety, to prohibit and regulate the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows and long-bows in the City of Owen Sound.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF OWEN SOUND HEREBY ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. That subject to Section 2 of this By-law, no person shall discharge any gun or other firearm, air-gun, spring-gun, cross-bow, long-bow, or any class or type thereof within the limits of the City of Owen Sound.
2. Section 1 of this By-law shall not apply to the discharge of any gun or other firearm, air-gun, spring-gun, cross-bow, long-bow, or any class or type thereof to prevent:
  - 2.1 A person or anyone authorized by him or her from carrying on in a dwelling house occupied by them, or in land appurtenant thereto, target shooting with an air-gun or spring-gun where the shot, pellet or dart discharged by such air-gun or spring-gun does not pass beyond the confines of such dwelling house or land appurtenant thereto.
  - 2.2 A member of a bona fide gun club from carrying on target shooting sponsored by the club in a place or premises in which proper precautions have been taken to assure that no danger to the said members or the public results from the discharging of such guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns, cross-bows, long-bows, or any class or type thereof.
  - 2.3 A Peace Officer or other person authorized by law from discharging a gun or other firearm, air-gun, spring-gun, cross-bow, long-bow, or any class or type thereof in the course of enforcing the law in accordance with and subject to all limitations and regulations thereby imposed.
  - 2.4 A person from discharging a pistol or revolver loaded with blank cartridges as a starting or other signal at sporting events.
  - 2.5 A landowner or agent on lands shown as rural areas on Schedule `A' to this By-law from destroying animals that are found in the act of killing or injuring livestock or poultry, animals found in the act of burrowing into the ground creating unsafe conditions for livestock or cropland maintenance, or animals found in the act of destroying crops, provided that the firearm used does not exceed a .22 calibre rifle.

3. Any person who contravenes the provisions of this By-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction therefor is subject to the penalty set out in the Provincial Offences Act.

4. By-law No. 2323 is hereby repealed.

5. This By-law shall come into full force and effect upon the final passing thereof.

PASSED this 24th day of July, 1995.

1st reading July 24, 1995

2nd reading July 24, 1995

3rd reading July 24, 1995

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Mayor

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Clerk

Schedule "A" To By-Law No. 1995-119

