

A BY-LAW TO PROHIBIT AND  
REGULATE THE DISCHARGE OF  
FIREARMS IN THE CITY OF  
WELLAND AND TO REPEAL  
BY-LAW 5163

WHEREAS it is provided by the Municipal Act, R. S. O. 1980, chapter 302, Section 210(29) that by-laws may be passed by the councils of local municipalities for prohibiting or regulating the discharge of guns or other firearms, air-guns and spring-guns, or any class or type thereof in the municipality or in any defined area or areas thereof.

NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF WELLAND ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. No person shall discharge any guns or other firearms, air-guns, spring-guns or any class or type thereof within the area of the City of Welland.
2. Nothing in this by-law shall prohibit the discharge of firearms by police officers in the line of duty, or where the same are discharged pursuant to a permit in writing first had and procured from the Chief of Police in the City of Welland, who shall in such permit, after inspection of the premises on which such discharge is to be made, set forth the place, the time and conditions for such discharge, and the names of the persons so entitled to discharge such firearms. An applicant shall produce to the Chief of Police for his inspection, consent in writing from the owner and occupant of the lands on which the firearms are sought to be discharged.
3. This by-law shall not apply to any landowner discharging a firearm on his own land when, and only when, such discharge is necessary in an attempt to protect his crops or livestock from destruction by foxes or other animals, subject always to the provisions of the Game and Fish Act, R. S. O. 1980, chapter 182 and amendments thereto.
4. Any and every person who violates the provisions of this by-law shall on conviction be subject to a penalty not to exceed the sum of \$2,000.00, exclusive of costs, for each offence and all such penalties shall be recoverable under the Provincial Offences Act.
5. That By-law 5163 be and the same is hereby repealed.

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6. This By-law shall come into effect immediately on the passing thereof.

READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME AND PASSED ON THE 17th DAY OF May, 1988.

  
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MAYOR

  
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CLERK