

Discharge of Firearms

An ordinance to prohibit the discharge of firearms, regulate the use of bow and arrows and provide a penalty for violation of same, within the City limits of the City of Caspian, Iron County, Michigan.

The City of Caspian Ordains:

Section 1 – Firearm Usage

Section 1.1 Firearm Discharge; It shall be unlawful for any person to fire, shoot or cause any firearm to be discharged within the City Limits.

Section 1.2 Firearm Defined; For the purpose of this Ordinance, "a firearm" shall be defined as any gun, rifle, pistol, revolver, shotgun or any other device which is capable of projecting any object a distance of forty (40) feet.

Section 2 – Bow & Arrows

Section 2.1 Bow & Arrow Usage: It shall be unlawful for any person to cause a bow and arrow to shoot or fire an arrow within the City Limits, unless such is restricted to an archery practice site.

Section 2.2 Bow & Arrow Defined; For the purpose of this Ordinance, "a bow and arrow" shall be defined as any device which is capable of projecting an arrow more than twenty (20) feet.

Section 2.3 Archery Practice Site Defined: For the purpose of this ordinance, "an archery practice site" shall be defined as;

A designed area in which arrows are shot at a fixed target which has either;

A backstop, with the target centered on, of a minimum size of eight (8) feet in length and eight (8) feet in width and being of a material and thickness of which no arrow, when shot from a bow, can dully penetrate; or

A buffer zone of two hundred fifty (250) feet from the target to any adjoining land owner's property.

All arrows used in "an archery practice site" shall be equipped with target tips, no hunting or razor type tips shall be used.

Section 3 – Penalty

Any person or person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof or plea of guilty thereto before a court of competent jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$500.00, and in default of payment thereof, be imprisoned in the Iron County Jail not to exceed One Hundred Eighty (180) days, or by both fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court, plus all costs of prosecution.

Section 4- Effective Date

This Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after adoption hereof by the Caspian City Commission.

Section 5

Codified April 29, 1986.