

CITY OF SURREY

BY-LAW NO. 12349

A By-law to provide for the regulation of the discharge of firearms in the City of Surrey.

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WHEREAS Section 933 of the "**Municipal Act**" provides that the Council may, by by-law applicable throughout the City or any defined area of it, regulate or prohibit, and that regulations may be different for different areas, the discharging of firearms, including air guns, air rifles, air pistols and spring guns;

AND WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Surrey deems it necessary to provide for the regulation of the discharge of firearms;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Surrey in open meeting assembled ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. This by-law may be cited as "Discharge of Firearms Regulation By-Law, 1994, No. 12349".
2. For the purpose of this by-law, a firearm includes a rifle, a pistol, a shotgun, an air gun, an air rifle, an air pistol and a spring gun.
3. The discharge of firearms is prohibited throughout the City except as provided for in this By-Law.
4. The discharge of firearms is not prohibited where:
 - (a) a Peace Officer, member of military unit, employees or contractor of the City of Surrey, employee of the Province of British Columbia, employee of the Dominion of Canada, or employee of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals discharges a firearm in the performance of duty;

- (b) a person discharges a firearm in the humane destruction or slaughter of domestic livestock;
 - (c) a person who holds a valid trapping license from the Province of British Columbia discharges a firearm in the humane destruction or slaughter of wildlife caught in his traps;
 - (d) a person discharges a firearm in the operation of a commercial slaughterhouse;
 - (e) a person engaged in a normally accepted agricultural or horticultural business upon lands zoned Agriculture (A1 and A2) under Surrey Zoning By-Law, 1993, No. 12000;
 - (f) a person who is a member or guest of a firearms shooting club discharges a firearm at a range approved by the Chief Provincial Firearms Officer for the purpose of target practice;
5. Every person who violates or who causes or allows to be violated any of the provisions of this By-Law shall be guilty of an offence against the By-Law and upon summary conviction of such offence shall be liable for a fine of not more than TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS or to imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or to both.
6. By-Law No. 4350 cited as "Discharge of Firearms Regulation By-Law, 1974, No. 4350", as amended is hereby repealed.

PASSED FIRST AND SECOND READINGS on the 20th day of June, 1994.

READ A THIRD TIME on the 4th day of July, 1994.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED, signed by the Mayor and Clerk, and sealed with the Corporate Seal on the 11th day of July, 1994.

_____ "R. J. BOSE" _____ MAYOR

_____ "D. B. KENNY" _____ CLERK