

CHAPTER 130: FIREARMS

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DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS

§ 130.01 ON PUBLIC STREETS OR HIGHWAYS.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm on or from the traveled portion of any public street or highway. For purposes of this subchapter, ***FIREARM*** is defined as any gun, rifle, pistol or other barreled weapon capable of discharging projectiles such as shot, bullets, pellets or other missiles at a muzzle velocity of at least 600 feet per second and actually loaded with such a projectile.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-16) (Ord. passed 5-4-1981; Ord. passed 6-4-2001) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.02 WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A DWELLING.

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person other than the owner or lessee of a dwelling or a member of the immediate family actually residing in the dwelling to discharge any firearm within 100 yards thereof without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the property.

(B) (1) The written permission shall be dated and shall be valid for no longer than one year after its issuance.

(2) The permission must be displayed upon the request of any law enforcement officer with authority to enforce this subchapter.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-17) (Ord. passed 5-4-1981; Ord. passed 6-4-2001) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.03 WITHIN 100 YARDS OF A PUBLIC BUILDING.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm within 100 yards of any building reasonably likely to be occupied, including, but not limited to, any school, church, warehouse or any playground or park.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-18) (Ord. passed 5-4-1981; Ord. passed 6-4-2001) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.04 WITHIN 100 YARDS OF LIVESTOCK.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm within 100 yards of any domestic livestock belonging to others unless the person first procures the permission of the owner of the domestic livestock.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-19) (Ord. passed 5-4-1981; Ord. passed 6-4-2001) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.05 PROJECTILE OF DISCHARGED FIREARM.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge a firearm in such a way as will, or is likely to, result in the load thereof leaving the property upon which the firearm is lawfully discharged.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-20) (Ord. passed 6-4-2001) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.06 EXCEPTIONS.

(A) *Commercial facilities.* No provision in this subchapter shall interfere with the operation of recognized or approved rifle or pistol ranges, skeet or trapshooting facilities or "turkey shoots", when conducted in compliance with Chapter 92 of this code.

(B) *Miscellaneous exceptions.* None of the provisions of this subchapter shall apply to law enforcement officers or members of the armed forces acting in the line of duty; to the shooting or killing of any dangerous or destructive animal or reptile when necessary to protect life or property; to the taking of birds or animals pursuant to G.S. Chapter 113, Subchapter IV, as it is from time to time amended, or pursuant to a lawfully issued federal permit; to the use of firearms for defense of person or property; or the use of firearms pursuant to lawful directions of law enforcement officers.

(1984 Code, § 2-9-21) (Ord. passed 5-4-1981; Ord. passed 6-4-2001)