

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE UNLAWFUL
DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS WITHIN THE CORPORATE
LIMITS OF THE TOWN OF RURAL HALL

PURSUANT TO General Statutes 160A-189 and 188, a city and/or town may by ordinance, regulate, restrict or prohibit the discharge of firearms within its corporate limits.

WHEREAS, the Town of Rural Hall wishes to regulate, restrict, and prohibit the discharge of firearms within the corporate limits of the Town of Rural Hall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Town Council of the Town of Rural Hall, NC:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person to fire or discharge a gun, rifle, pistol or other firearm, within the town except in case of necessary defense of person or property; provided that this section shall not apply to an officer lawfully discharging his duty; provided further, that nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit licensed shooting galleries; provided that this section shall not apply to the use of any air rifle, air gun, air pistol, or pellet gun.

Section 2. The provisions of this section shall not be construed so as to prohibit branches of the military service of the state and federal governments, including R.O.T.C. and reserve units, from firing guns, rifles, pistols, or other firearms for training purposes in indoor ranges on the respective premises of such branches or units.

Section 3. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person or persons discharging guns or muskets in town parks for ceremonial purposes, said persons having first obtained in writing the permission of the Town Manager. In no event shall live ammunition be discharged.

Section 4. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any person or persons discharging guns or muskets within the Town's corporate limits for a funeral or burial service.

Section 5. These regulations shall become effective upon adoption, and shall apply through the corporate limits of the Town of Rural Hall.

Section 6. Violation of this ordinance or any section thereof shall constitute a misdemeanor, punishable by law.

Adopted this the 14 day of March, 1994.

TOWN OF RURAL HALL

Larry P. Williams
MAYOR

ATTEST:

[Signature]
TOWN MANAGER/CLERK