

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF SAULT STE. MARIE

BY-LAW NO. 90-197

REGULATIONS: (R.1.2.6.) A by-law to regulate the discharge of bows in the Municipality.

THE COUNCIL of the Corporation of The City of Sault Ste. Marie, pursuant to section 210(1), paragraph 29 of *The Municipal Act, R.S.O., 1980* Chapter 302 as amended, ENACTS as follows:

1. **INTERPRETATION**

In this by-law:

(a) "bow" means cross bow, long bow or any class or type of bow capable of discharging a projectile;

(b) "safe target backstop" means a target or backstop having an interior surface of 16 square feet or larger and composed of material sufficient to prevent the passing of any projectile discharged from a bow;

(c) "unobstructed path" means a path not obstructed by any material sufficient to alter the course of a projectile or impair visibility and includes houses, sheds, garages, vehicles, wood piles and thick brush.

2. **RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF BOWS**

(1) No person shall discharge any bow or cause or permit any bow to be discharged in any part of Sault Ste. Marie except as follows:

(i) where there is an unobstructed path measuring 5 yards on both sides of the path of the projectile and continues for 20 yards beyond the safe target backstop;

(ii) where the projectile is aimed at and discharged in the direction of a safe target backstop;

(iii) where the projectile is discharged or caused to be discharged over lands either owned by the person who discharges the projectile or with the consent of the occupant of lands over which it is discharged; or

(iv) where there is not dwelling within 40 yards in the direction in which the projectile is aimed or discharged when such projectile is equipped with a field point.

(2) No person shall discharge any bow or cause or permit any bow to be discharged in any part of the City of Sault Ste. Marie if such bow is equipped with a broad head point or a similar razor edged point.

(3) No person shall cause a projectile discharged from a bow to pass along or across a highway or road allowance.

(4) No person 16 years of age or younger shall use a compound bow or a cross bow without the supervision of someone who has attained the age of 18 years.

(5) Notwithstanding anything contained in this by-law, no person shall discharge any bow or cause or permit any bow to be discharged in a careless or dangerous manner.

3. **EXEMPTIONS**

This by-law does not apply to the discharge of a bow within the areas defined as follows:

(a) the indoor and open air range owned by the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority and operated by the Sault North Archery Club by a licence to use the subject lands, approximately sixteen (16) acres more or less as outlined on a plan attached hereto and marked as Schedule "A"

(b) the open air ranges operated by The Algoma Rod and Gun Club on the lands described as follows:

(i) the south-east quarter of the south-west quarter of Section 3 in the Township of Tarentorus (now in the City of Sault Ste. Marie) containing 40 acres more or less; and

(ii) all that part of the north-west quarter of Section 10 in the Township of Tarentorus (now in the City of Sault Ste. Marie) containing 14.473 acres more or less and more particularly described as follows:

PREMISING that the northern limit of said Section 10 has an assumed bearing of North 87 degrees, 57 minutes East and relating all bearings herein thereto;

COMMENCING where a survey post has been planted at the north-east angle of said north-west quarter of Section 10;

THENCE South 1 degree, 42 minutes East along the eastern limit of said north-west quarter section 838.38 feet to its intersection with the northern limit of a public road 66 feet wide;

THENCE South 68 degrees, 40 minutes, 30 seconds West thereon 52.38 feet to a survey post planted at an angle therein;

THENCE North 81 degrees, 25 minutes West, continuing along said northern limit of public road a further distance of 871.04 feet to a survey post planted therein;

THENCE North 1 degree, 42 minutes West, 755.1 feet to a survey post planted in the said northern limit of Section 10;

THENCE North 87 degrees, 57 minutes East thereon 906.76 feet to the said point of commencement.

4. **PENALTY**

Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and, upon conviction is liable to a fine of not more than \$2,000.00, exclusive of costs.

5. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

This By-law takes effect on the day of its final passing.

Read THREE times and PASSED in Open Council this 22nd of July, 1990.

Mayor – Joseph M. Fratesi

Clerk - William G. Lindsay