

ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING  
SECTION 16-6-41  
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES  
CITY OF HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

**Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Harrisonburg, Virginia:**

**That Section 16-6-41 – Discharge of firearms within city be amended as shown:**

Sec. 16-6-41. - Discharge of firearms within city.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge or cause to be discharged any firearm within the city; or to hunt with other weapons, specifically to include, but not limited to, bows and arrows, crossbows, ~~sling shots, slung shots, air rifles, BB guns, pellet guns, etc.,~~ or similar devices; provided, that this section shall not apply to any law enforcement officer in the performance of his or her official duties, nor to any other person whose willful act is otherwise justifiable or excusable at law in the protection of his or her life or property, or that of another, or as otherwise specifically authorized by law; provided further, that this section shall not apply to any person shooting in licensed shooting galleries or shooting inside a building on a shooting range so constructed as to prevent the shot, projectile or other missile which has been fired from escaping or ricocheting; provided further, that this section shall not apply to any citizen who, having obtained permission and a permit from the chief of police, may shoot at rats, birds or other noxious animals upon his or her premises; and in addition shall not apply to any person, who in compliance with § 29.1-529 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, is granted permission to kill deer on any land which is zoned for agricultural use and contains at least five (5) acres.

This ordinance shall be effective on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Deputy City Clerk