ORDINANCE NO. 21

WEAPONS ORDINANCE

The Town Board for the Town of Geneva, Walworth County, Wisconsin, does ordain that the Town of Geneva Ordinance No. 21 is hereby repealed and that the following is hereby created.

Section 1. State Weapons Laws Adopted.

The Statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to firearms and bows and arrows in the following enumerated sections of the Wisconsin Statutes, exclusive of any provisions therein relating to the penalties to be imposed or the punishment for violation of said Statutes, are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any Statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Ordinance and subject to forfeiture.

Whenever this Ordinance incorporates by reference specific Sections of the Wisconsin Statutes or generally refers to them, such reference shall mean the Wisconsin Statutes of 1979, as from time to time amended, repealed, or modified by the Wisconsin Legislature.

Section 167.30	Use of Firearms, etc., Near Park, etc.
Section 167.31	Safe Use and Transportation of Firearms and Bows.
Section 940.24	Injury by Negligent Handling of Dangerous Weapons, Explosives, or Fire.
Section 941.20	Endangering Safety by Use of Dangerous Weapons.
Section 941.21	Disarming a Peace Officer.
Section 941.23	Carrying a Concealed Weapon.
Section 941.235	Carrying a Firearm in a Public Building.
Section 941.28	Possession of a Short Barreled Shotgun or Rifle.
Section 941.29	Possession of a Firearm by a Felon.
Section 941.298	Possession of Firearm Silencers.
Section 943.13	Trespass to Land.
Section 948.605	Gun-Free School Zones.

Section 2. Discharging Firearms Prohibited.

No person, except a deputy sheriff, constable, or police officer shall fire or discharge any firearm within the following described areas of prohibition, provided the Chief of Police may grant a permit for such use for any lawful purpose such as pest extermination to any adult resident of the Town for not more than 30 days.

Section 3. Area of Prohibition.

The areas in which the activities prohibited by Section 2 of this Ordinance shall apply are as follows:

- A. Within the boundary of any platted subdivision in said Town.
- B. Within 300 feet of any dwelling without permission of the owner or occupant.

Section 4.

Anyone violating the terms of this Ordinance shall forfeit not less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars nor more than One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars, together with the costs of prosecution thereof, and in default of payment of such forfeiture and costs of prosecution, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until such forfeiture and costs are paid, but not exceeding thirty (30) days.

Section 5. Severability.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable and it is expressly declared that the Town Board would have passed the other provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether or not one or more provisions may be declared invalid and if any provision of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. <u>Effective Date.</u>

The repeal of the existing Ordinance on the passage of this Ordinance shall take effect from and after its adoption by the Town Board and upon posting a publication thereof as provided by the Statutes of the State of Wisconsin.

Adopted the 14th day of October, 1996.

THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GENEVA, WALWORTH COUNTY, WISCONSIN

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