

TOWN OF SHARON

ORDINANCE 13

To Provide for the Use of Firearms Within the Town Limits

WHEREAS, it appears in the best interest of the citizens of the Town of Sharon, South Carolina, to establish and Ordinance regarding the use of firearms within the Town limits of Sharon, South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Governing Body of the Town of Sharon in council duly assembled, this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1978, that the following shall govern the use of firearms within the Town limits of Sharon, South Carolina.

1. DISCHARGING FIREARMS, AIR RIFLES AND TOY GUNS: The discharging of firearms within the Town, the discharging or shooting of air rifles in the town and the discharging or shooting of toy guns on any of the streets of the town is prohibited.

2. PISTOLS

a. Carrying Unlawful; Exceptions. It shall be unlawful for any person to carry about his person, whether concealed or not, any pistol except as provided by state law, or any dirk, dagger, slingshot, metal knuckles, razor or other deadly weapon usually used for the infliction of personal injury. This paragraph shall not apply to peace officers in the actual discharge of their duties, or to the carrying or keeping of pistols by persons while on their own property, or premises.

b. Sale Restricted. No person shall sell, deliver, lease, rent, barter, exchange or transport for sale any pistol to any person unless and until he has inquired of and received a report in writing from the Mayor as to whether or not such person has been convicted of a crime of violence, is a fugitive from justice, an habitual drunkard, a drug addict, a mental incompetent, or is a member of a subversive organization, a minor or a person who has been adjudged unfit to carry or possess a weapon by a circuit or county court judge.

3. CONCEALED WEAPONS:

a. It shall be unlawful for any person to carry, within the town, any pistol, dirk, dagger, slingshot, metal knuckles, razor or other deadly weapon usually used for the infliction of personal injury, concealed about his person. The weapon so carried concealed shall be forfeited to the Town upon conviction of a person of a violation of this section.

b. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply to peace officers while in the actual discharge of their duties as such officers or to persons carrying concealed weapons while upon their own premises.

c. Nothing herein contained shall prohibit a person from discharging a firearm of any nature while in the protection of his home or family against any intruder.