CHAPTER 9

FIREARMS

Article I. Discharge of Firearms.
[Adopted eff. 3/9/64; R.S. 1964, T. 30, Sec. 2151. Revised eff. 8/7/91.]

Sec. 9-1-1. Prohibition of Discharge of Firearms. The discharge of firearms, air rifles or pistols is prohibited in all areas of Town excepting the salt marshes, property owned by the Spurwink Rod and Gun Club, and property under federal jurisdiction, and excepting the use of such weapons at military exercises or in the lawful defense of person, family or property of any individual or entity. Use of rifles except on target ranges authorized by the Police Department is prohibited within all areas of the Town.

Sec. 9-1-2. Killing Wildlife Damaging Crops. No person shall discharge firearms at any deer, raccoons, skunks, woodchucks or other wild animals doing damage to any orchards or growing crops except in accordance with applicable state statutes. Such person shall notify the Police Department, prior to commencing such activity, of the time and location where such activity is proposed and shall also notify the Police Department immediately upon the completion of each such activity, unless other arrangements are made with the Police Chief. Such person shall exhibit to the Police Department once during its effective period any written permission required by state statute or regulation for such activity. The Police Department may impose such reasonable restrictions upon the time or location of said activities, and the type of firearms to be used, as may be necessary to protect the public health and safety; it shall not prevent any such activity unless it has evidence that the person proposing the same is not competent to do so safely, and it shall not require that any police officer observe or take part in such activities. [Added, eff. 12/22/76.]

Sec. 9-1-3. Penalty. Any person found guilty of violating Sec. 9-1-1 or Sec. 9-1-2 shall be subject to a fine for each such violation in an amount not to exceed $500.00, to be recovered for use of the Town by complaint to the District Court. [Revised, eff. 12/22/76.]