

The Village Board of the Village of Dorchester do ordain as follows:

Section 1. DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS, PELLET GUNS, ETC., PROHIBITED.

Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall fire, discharge or use any firearms, air rifles, spring or air guns of any description, or any instrument which impels a missile or pellet by compressed air or gas, spring or other means within the Village nor shall any person have any firearms, air rifles, spring or air guns of any description, or any instrument which impels a missile or pellet by compressed air or gas, spring or other means in his possession unless it is unloaded and knocked down or enclosed within a carrying case or other suitable container. However, this section shall not apply to any of the following:

1. Any duly authorized law officer in the performance of his duties, or any person lawfully acting in defense of his own or another's life.
2. Any person or organization who obtain a permit from the Village President or Village Board for the purpose of engaging in the practice or amusement of shooting or for the elimination of pests within the city limits, with such permits designating the time and place of such shooting. Any such permits issued shall be revoked at the will of the Village President. Any person or organization aggrieved by the denial of a permit or the revocation of an existing permit may appeal to the Village Board whose decision shall be final. Any permit granted on appeal by the Village Board shall be revoked only by the Village Board.

Section 2. Any person or organization who shall violate the provisions of this section shall forfeit the sum of not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) and the costs of the prosecution, and in default of the payment thereof shall be imprisoned in the county jail until said forfeiture and costs are paid, but not to exceed thirty days.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

APPROVED BY: *Village Board - April 5, 1978*

ATTEST:

*Judy Robada,
Village Clerk*