

## Exhibit A

### Section 31-101 Discharging Firearms

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm except in the defense of person or property. However, limited nuisance small game hunting is allowed as follows: during daylight hours on weekdays, on one's own property, , and more than 250 feet from property lines and roadways, and then only for the limited purpose of eliminating nuisance small game, small game being as defined by state law. No pistols, revolvers, muzzleloaders, rifles or similar firearms discharging a bullet or ball or slug are allowed in said hunting. Only shotguns may be used, and only #7, #8 and similar shot, known as birdshot or target loads, may be used. The largest permissible caliber allowed is 20 gauge, and no magnum loads may be used.

It shall be unlawful to carry on the streets and sidewalks within the City a shotgun, rifle, air gun or slingshot in the pursuit of any bird or squirrel or other animal or fowl.

- (b) Exceptions, all to be in strict compliance with the regulations of the Georgia DNR, Wildlife Resources Division.

(1) If squirrels or starlings or similar birds are found to be congregating in such numbers that they constitute a nuisance or a menace to health or property in the opinion of the County Board of Health, then squirrels and birds may be destroyed in such numbers and in such manner as is deemed advisable by said health authorities.

(2) Furthermore, on one's own property, on larger acreage tracts, wherein neighbor property lines and roadways are at least 200 yards from the location where the gun is to be discharged, larger caliber shotguns up to 12 gauge are allowed, and game species to be hunted shall include large game as well as small game. Magnum shotgun loads are prohibited. Muzzleloaders and handguns are allowed but not in rifle calibers. .22 caliber rimfire rifles (.22 lr) are permitted, but larger and more powerful caliber rifles are prohibited due to the danger of using high powered rifles within the town limits.

(3) In no case may a gun be discharged in the general direction of any residential properties. In other words, the discharge should be towards the interior of the parcel being hunted upon, not towards the closest property line.

- (c) Any person violating any of the provisions hereof shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined up to \$500 or be incarcerated for up to 10 days, or both. Each day such violation is committed shall be a separate offense.
- (d) This shall not apply to authorized officers of the law and animal control officers in the performance of their law enforcement duties and/or animal control duties.