## VILLAGE OF HENSALL

BY-LAW NO. 005-96

Being a by-law to regulate the discharge of firearms, air guns, spring guns, cross-bows or long-bows within the Village of Hensall.

WHEREAS The Municipal Act R.S.O 1990, Section 210 (36), as amended provides that a Municipal Council may pass by-laws to prohibit or regulate the discharge of guns or other firearms, air guns and spring guns or any class or type thereof in a municipality.

THEREFORE the Council of The Corporation of the Village of Hensall ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- No person shall discharge any gun or other firearm, airgun, spring-gun, cross-bow or long-bow within the Village of Hensall.
- For purposes of this By-law, an "air-gun", shall include a
  pellet gun and "fire-arm" means any barrelled weapon from
  which any shot bullet or missile can be discharged.
- 3. This by-law does not apply to prohibit the following:
  - (a) The use of a firearm for the destruction of any animal or pest by the Hensall Animal Control Officer, in the course of his duties in accordance with the policy attached hereto as Schedule "A"
  - (b) For purposes of law enforcement by a police officer
- 4. Any person who contravenes Section 1 of this By-law is guilty of an offence and liable upon conviction to a maximum penalty of \$2,000.00 excluding costs.
- 5. This By-law repeals By-law 018-1963.
- This By-law shall come into force on the day of its final passing.

BY-LAW read a FIRST and SECOND time this 11th day of March, 1996.

BY-LAW read a THIRD and FINAL time this 11th day of March, 1996.

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Clerk-Treasurer, Luanne F. Phair

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# SCHEDULE A to By-law 005-1996

## POLICY

## REGARDING THE DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM

## IN THE VILLAGE OF HENSALL

## BY THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

# Type of Gun and Storage

ONLY a .22 calibre rifle shall be used by the Animal Control Officer. The rifle while in the vehicle of the Animal Control Officer, while in the Village of Hensall shall be secured in accordance with Federal Gun Regulations.

#### Reasons for Use

The rifle may be discharged for the following reasons:

to destroy an animal that in the opinion of the Animal Control Officer is injured, diseased or dangerous to public safety to the point that it should be destroyed immediately.

## Notification

Before discharging the firearm, unless the Animal Control Officer is dispatched by the Ontario Provincial Police, the Animal Control Officer shall call the Ontario Provincial Police Communications Office at 1-800-265-2525 to advise that he will or may be discharging his firearm in accordance with Village of Hensall policy. If the situation arises that it is not practical to call the Ontario Provincial Police, the Animal Control Officer shall do so immediately after discharging the firearm.

# Reports

The Animal Control Officer shall report to the Village Clerk, within one week, the details of the discharge of a firearm. Such report shall relate the circumstances for the discharge of the firearm and the result thereof.

# General

The Animal Control Officer shall be responsible for ensuring the gun is safe and shall keep abreast of and obey all federal gun legislation.