

**CANADA  
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC  
REGIONAL COUNTY MUNICIPALITY  
OF ARGENTEUIL  
TOWNSHIP OF WENTWORTH**

**PUBLIC SECURITY BY-LAW NO. RM 415-B CONCERNING THE  
DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS**

**WHEREAS** within the framework of an agreement relating to the supply of police services on the territory of the M.R.C. d'Argenteuil, the Québec Provincial Police will be authorized to oversee the application, in total or in part of municipal regulations;

**WHEREAS** the Municipal Council is really preoccupied with the safety of its citizens;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality has the duty to ensure the respect of the safety of its citizens;

**WHEREAS** the Municipality considers that it is in the interest of the majority of the citizens of the Municipality of the Township of Wentworth to adopt a by-law prohibiting the discharge of firearms on the roads;

**WHEREAS** notice of motion of the present by-law was previously given by Councillor Bill Gauley on June 7<sup>th</sup> 2010;

**CONSEQUENTLY** it is proposed by Councillor June Parker and resolved **THAT** the present by-law be adopted and to legislate and enact as follows:

Resolution unanimously adopted.

**ARTICLE 1**

The preamble is an integral part of the present by-law.

**ARTICLE 2**

The present by-law rescinds by-law no RM 415-81 and its amendments.

**ARTICLE 3**

The Municipal Council declares that it has adopted this by-law, section by section, article by article, paragraph by paragraph, so that if any one of these sections should be declared null by a competent court of law, the other sections of the by-law continue to apply.

**ARTICLE 4**

It is prohibited at all times to use a firearm, an air gun, a crossbow or any other form of lethal weapon, from a public road or at a distance of less than 250 meters from any public road, house, building or edifice.

## **ARTICLE 5 BOW**

It is prohibited at all times to use a bow from a public road or at a distance of less than 150 meters from all public roads, house, building or edifice.

## **CONTRAVENTION PROVISIONS**

### **ARTICLE 6**

The Council authorizes the policemen and/or the municipal inspector and/or any other person designated by the Council to apply the present by-law, to issue infraction reports (infraction notices or infraction tickets or other) and to undertake the following penal procedures:

- Any person who contravenes to one or any provisions of the present by-law commits an infraction and is liable to a fine with or without costs;
- For a first infraction, the amount of the fine is set at five hundred dollars (\$500.00) if the person who contravenes is a physical person and at double that amount if the offender is a moral person;
- For a repeat offence, the amount of the fine is double that set for a first infraction.
- If the infraction continues, this continuity constitutes, day by day, a separate offence and the offender is liable to the fine, with or without costs, for each day during which the infraction is continuing.
- In all cases, the costs of any legal proceedings are in additional.
- In the present article, the delays for the payment of the fines and the costs imposed and the consequences of the default to pay said fines and the costs within the prescribed delays are established in accordance with the Québec Penal Code (L.R.Q.,c.C-25.1)

The competent authority can use all judicial, penal and/or civil recourses which apply against any person who contravenes to the present by-law, in an alternative way or a cumulative way if necessary.

### **ARTICLE 7 – Effective date**

The present by-law comes into effect in accordance with the law.

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**Edmund Kasprzyk**  
**Mayor**

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**Paula Knudsen, g.m.a.**  
**General Manager, Secretary-  
Treasurer**

Notice of motion:	June 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2010
Adoption of By-Law:	August 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2010
Public notice:	August 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2010