



THE DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER

FIREARM REGULATION BYLAW

BYLAW 6761

Effective Date – October 6, 1997

CONSOLIDATED FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY

This is a consolidation of the bylaws below. The amending bylaws have been combined with the original bylaw for convenience only. This consolidation is not a legal document. Certified copies of the original bylaws should be consulted for all interpretations and applications of the bylaw on this subject.

Original Bylaw	Date of Adoption
Bylaw 6761	October 6, 1997
Amending Bylaw	Date of Adoption
Bylaw 8559	May 30, 2022

The bylaw numbers in the margin of this consolidation refer to the bylaws that amended the principal bylaw (Firearm Regulation Bylaw – Bylaw 6761). The number of any amending bylaw that has been repealed is not referred to in this consolidation.

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF NORTH VANCOUVER

BYLAW 6761

A bylaw to regulate the discharge of firearms and the use of bows, pursuant to Section 728 of the *Municipal Act, RSBC 1996, c323*.
(repeals the "Firearms Bylaw, 1964" (Bylaw 3106))

The Council for The Corporation of the District of North Vancouver enacts the following:

Title

1. This bylaw may be cited as the "**Firearm Regulation Bylaw**".

Definitions

2. "Bow" means a longbow or crossbow as defined in the *Wildlife Act*.
"Firearm" as defined in the *Firearm Act* and includes air guns, air rifles, air pistols and spring guns.

Prohibition

3. Subject to section 4, no person shall use a bow or discharge a firearm within the municipality.

Regulations

4. Section 3 does not apply to a person

(a) who is

- i. a peace officer,
- ii. a conservation officer appointed under the *Firearm Act* or the *Wildlife Act*,
- iii. a fisheries officer appointed under the *Fisheries Act* (Canada),
- iv. an officer of the Parks Branch of the Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing,
- v. an employee of an armoured car service as defined in the *Private Investigators and Security Agencies Act*,

and any other person who is similarly authorized by the laws of Canada and of the province to possess and to discharge a firearm in the performance of such person's duties.

- (b) who is a member of a shooting club and discharges a firearm on an authorized outdoor shooting range provided by such club;
- (c) who is a member of an archery club and uses a bow on an authorized archery range provided by such club;
- (d) who is authorized by a permit issued by the Chief Provincial Firearms Officer to discharge a firearm in an indoor shooting range;
- (e) who has obtained written authorization from the Officer in Charge of the North Vancouver Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or from a person designated by the Officer in Charge to grant such authorization.

Enforcement

5. Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and Bylaw Enforcement Officers are authorized to enforce this bylaw and for that purpose may enter at all reasonable times on any property to ascertain whether the requirements of this bylaw are being met.

Offences and Penalties

6. (a) A person who:

- i. contravenes a provision of this bylaw;
- ii. causes, consents to, allows or permits an act or thing to be done contrary to this bylaw;
- iii. neglects or refrains from doing anything required by a provision of this bylaw; or
- iv. fails to comply with any order, direction or notice given under this bylaw,

commits an offence and is subject to the penalties imposed by this bylaw and the *Offence Act*.

- (b) Each instance that a contravention of a provision of this bylaw occurs and each day that a contravention occurs or continues shall constitute a separate offence.
- (c) A person found guilty of an offence under this bylaw is subject to a fine of not less than \$1,000.00 and not more than \$50,000.00 for every instance that an offence occurs or each day that it occurs or continues, plus the costs of prosecution.

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Obstruction

- 7. A person must not interfere with, delay, obstruct or impede a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Bylaw Enforcement Officer, designate or other person lawfully authorized to enforce this bylaw in the performance of duties under this bylaw.

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Repeal

- 8. The "Firearms Bylaw, 1964" (Bylaw 3106) and all amendments are repealed.

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