



# DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS & BOWS BY-LAW

2013-144

TOWNSHIP OF UXBRIDGE



## OVERVIEW

This by-law regulates the discharge of firearms and bows in the Township of Uxbridge to help protect public safety, animal welfare, and property.

## WHAT IS COVERED?

This by-law applies to the discharge of:

- Firearms (including rifles, shotguns, air-guns, and spring-guns).
- Bows (including crossbows, longbows, recurve, and compound bows).

## WHERE CAN YOU DISCHARGE A FIREARM OR BOW?

Permitted Areas:

- Designated Areas

Outside of these areas, discharge is permitted only in accordance with the Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act, and only if:

- You have appropriate provincial and federal licences.
- You are following all applicable safety and zoning regulations.

Prohibited Areas:

Discharging firearms or bows is not allowed in areas designated in Schedules A to O of the by-law.

## EXCEPTIONS

**When is Discharge Allowed in Prohibited Areas?**

- Police or law enforcement officers performing their duties.
- Theatrical performances or sporting events using blanks.
- Ceremonial use (e.g. Royal Canadian Legion tributes).
- Farmers, for humane euthanasia of injured livestock.
- Landowners or farmers (on RU, EP, M3, or OS zoned lands) may:
  - Discharge a shotgun or bow to scare or destroy wildlife.
  - Capture wildlife causing or about to cause property damage.





## ENFORCEMENT & PENALTIES

This by-law is enforced by:

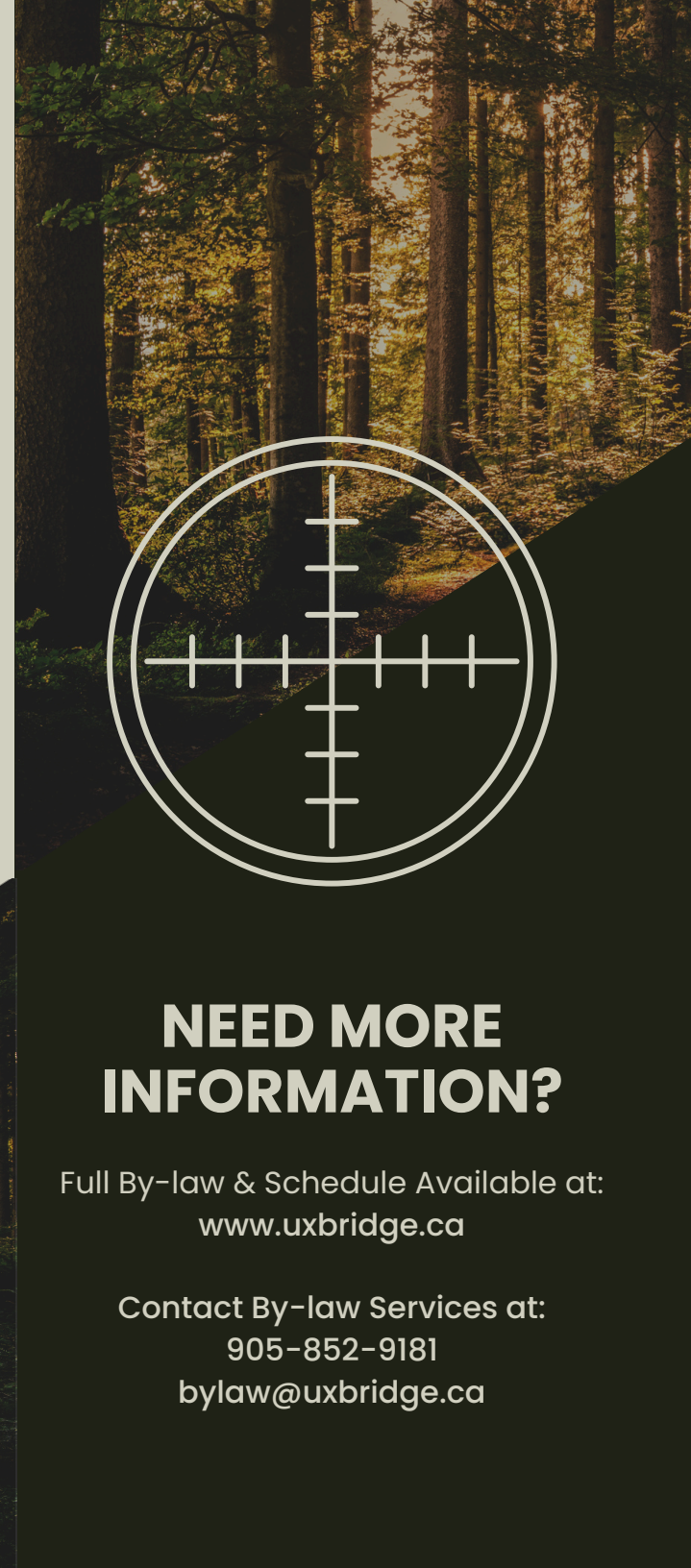
- Township Municipal Law Enforcement Officers.
- Durham Regional Police.
- Conservation Officers.

Violations may result in:

- Charges under the Provincial Offences Act.
- Fines upon conviction.

## KEY REMINDERS

- You must carry valid licences to discharge any firearm or bow.
- Discharging in a prohibited area is not allowed unless an exception applies.
- Even in permitted zones, you must follow all provincial, federal, and local laws.
- Maps of Prohibited Areas are included in the by-law as Schedules A to O.



## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

Full By-law & Schedule Available at:  
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