

**Chapter 690
Weapons and Explosives**

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CROSS REFERENCES
Storage and transportation of explosives - see M.C.L.A. Sec. 29.3a
Arson - see M.C.L.A. Secs. 750.71 et seq.
Construction or possession of explosive devices – see M.C.L.A. Sec. 750.211a
Fireworks - see GEN. OFF. 663

690.01 FIREARM DEFINED

For the purpose of this chapter, "fire arm" means any weapon or device from which is propelled any missile, projectile, bullet, shot, pellet or other mass, by means of explosives, compressed air or gas or by means of springs, levers or other mechanical devices, which weapon or device shall be capable, by the discharge of any such propelled missile, projectile, bullet, shot, pellet or other mass, of inflicting personal injury or death upon any person or damage to another's property. (Ord. Unno. Passed 10-4-83.)

690.02 DISCHARGING OR PUBLIC DISPLAY OF FIREARMS

No person shall discharge any firearm in the City, and no person shall draw, handle or flourish any firearm in any public street, alley or other place open to the public in the City. (Ord. Unno. Passed 10-4-83.)

690.03 CARRYING FIREARMS

No person shall carry any firearm upon his or her person in any public street, alley or other place open to the public in the City unless:

- A. The person has been issued a valid license to do so as provided in Act 372 of the Public Acts of 1927, as amended (M.S.A. 28.91 et seq.); or
- B. All ammunition has been removed from the chamber cylinder, clip or magazine of the firearm and the firearm has been noticeably rendered inoperable by being broken down or disassembled or is completely enclosed within a case or other similar container. (Ord. Unno. Passed 10-4-83.)

690.04 EXCEPTIONS TO CHAPTER

The prohibitions set forth in Sections 690.01 through 690.03 do not apply:

- A. To persons acting in the lawful defense of person, property or family;
- B. To police officers or other officers of the law in the lawful discharge of their duty;

- C. When a firearm is being shown or otherwise handled in the regular course of merchandising, is being carried from the building immediately after the purchase of said firearm within the building or is being carried into the building for repair;
- D. To authorized military parades by permission of the City Council;
- E. To indoor enclosed firearm ranges so constructed as to prevent damage to property or injury or death to any person, provided that such firearm ranges are otherwise lawful, and provided, further, that the discharge of a bow and arrow is permitted upon unenclosed ranges when such ranges are constructed so as to prevent damage to property or injury or death to any person;
- F. To persons who have obtained a permit from the City Clerk for the control of pests (birds or animals) that are causing property damage or creating a health hazard or a general nuisance, provided, however, that when any wild birds or animals are classified as protected game birds or animals by the Department of Natural Resources of Michigan, permission to destroy them shall first have been obtained from said Department, and provided, further, that after said protected wild bird or animal has been killed, it shall be disposed of as directed by said Department. (Ord. Unno. Passed 10-4-83.)

690.05 USE OF FIREARMS TO CONTROL PESTS; PERMIT REQUIRED

- A. No person shall be issued a permit to use a firearm for the control of pests unless he or she is eighteen years of age and provides the following information:
 - 1. Name, address and age;
 - 2. Affiliations, if any;
 - 3. Type of pest to be controlled;
 - 4. Method of control; and
 - 5. Period of time required for pest control.
- B. All requests for permits shall be reviewed and signed by the Director of Public Safety or his or her designee, only after he or she is satisfied that the procedure to be used to eliminate the pests is safe from damage or injury to any person residing in the City. (Ord. Unno. Passed 10-4-83.)

690.06 VIOLATIONS AS MISDEMEANORS

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be subject to the penalty provided in Section 690.99.

690.99 PENALTY

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 202.99 for general Code penalty if no specific penalty is provided.)