FIREARMS ORDINANCE

of the Town of Chebeague Island
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Adopted by the Town Meeting:
Effective: November 19, 2011

Attest:

Susan D. Campbell, Town Clerk

Seal:
SECTION 101. TITLE
This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as "Firearms Ordinance" of the Town of Chebeague Island hereinafter referred to as "this ordinance".

SECTION 102. PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY
The purpose of this ordinance is to promote public safety protect life and property from improper use of firearms as defined in 17-A M.R.S.A. §2 ¶12-a. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to 30-A M.R.S.A. §3009.

SECTION 103. ORDINANCE
No person may discharge a firearm in the Town of Chebeague Island except that it is not a violation of this ordinance to discharge the following firearms in conformity with State laws:


2. Firearms used in defense of life, property, or livestock according to 17-A M.R.S.A. §108 and 12 M.R.S.A. §§12401 - 12404

3. Firearms used by law enforcement personnel in carrying out their proper duties

4. Firearms used in target practice on a person’s own land so long as there is no danger to others, or firearms used in target practice on land of others so long as there is no danger to others and permission has been given by the landowner

5. Firearms used in properly administered educational programs in schools and other locations as provided for in 20-A M.R.S.A. §6552

SECTION 104. ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES
This ordinance shall be enforced by the Town’s authorized police officer(s) or members of the Board of Selectmen. Each violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of at least $50.00 but no more than $1,000.00.

SECTION 105. AMENDMENTS
This Ordinance may be amended by Town Meeting.
SECTION 106. SEVERABILITY

Should any portion of this Ordinance be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.