



Hunting in the City of Winona

- Gun hunting and trapping only allowed on private property in the AG/NR (Agricultural/Natural Resources) district subject to DNR hunting regulations.
- Bow hunting permitted on private property in all zoning districts subject to DNR hunting regulations.
- No hunting or trapping in public parks or on City property.
- Gun hunting, bow hunting, and trapping is permitted on USFWS property subject to federal and state regulations.

62.04 FIREARMS, FIREWORKS, HUNTING AND TRAPPING

CHAPTER 62

(a) Firearms and Fireworks. No person shall discharge firearms, firecrackers, rocket or similar projectile or set off any fireworks within the city; provided, that this section shall not be construed as prohibiting the discharge of firearms within the city by any duly authorized law officer, when necessary in the performance of official duty, by members of any military company acting by command of any superior officer, by any person on private property located within an Agricultural Zoning District, or legal hunting defined under Sections 62.04(b) and (c). Possession of fireworks, firecrackers, rockets or other projectiles shall be prima facie evidence of intent to discharge and shall be a violation of this section. This section shall not prohibit the use of blank cartridges for signal purposes in the training of dogs when such training is conducted at a place in the city approved by the City Manager or his designated representative. Except as hereinabove provided, this section shall not prohibit the use of blank cartridges for any purpose enumerated in Section 624.23 of the Minnesota Statutes.

(b) Hunting. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 62.04(a), the hunting of protected or unprotected birds or mammals shall be permitted within any City Agricultural Zoning District provided that:

- (i) The hunting activity is carried out in accordance by any method which is approved by all applicable State of Minnesota Hunting Regulations.
- (ii) The hunting activity is carried out in accordance with all State of Minnesota Hunting Regulations and applicable hunting seasons.

(c) Special Hunting Seasons. In cooperation with staff of the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, and in accordance with State of Minnesota Hunting Regulations, the Council may, by resolution, establish special hunting seasons for any purpose which it deems necessary to reduce bird and/or mammal populations within the City. The approving resolution shall:

- (i) Define the purpose and expected outcome of the season.
- (ii) Establish the length (dates) of the season along with the daily time during which hunting may occur.
- (iii) Define the physical property limits of the hunting season.
- (iv) Describe the type of weapon to be used for the season,
- (v) Name the person who shall be responsible for hunt administration.
- (vi) Define the maximum number of permits to be issued for the hunt along with other special conditions which the City Council feels should be followed in administering the special hunt.
- (vii) Establish the amount of an appropriate application fee.

Once established, all special hunting seasons shall be administered solely by the City of Winona. No person may participate in the hunt until such time that he/she has applied for, and secured, a valid City of Winona Hunting Permit from the City Manager or his/her designated representative. At a minimum, the permit shall include those conditions contained in the Council's approving resolution and may require other conditions which the City Manager or his/her designated representative feels are necessary to complete the hunt in a safe and efficient manner. Such conditions may require the use of back tags and documentation of the number of birds and/or mammals.

Prior to issuing a City of Winona Hunting Permit, the City Manager or his/her designated representative must be satisfied that the applicant has demonstrated proficiency in the weapon to be used. All persons shall be subject to an application fee as established by the approving resolution.

- (d) **Trapping of Fur-Bearing Animals.** Trapping of fur-bearing animals shall be permitted in any Agricultural Zoning District of the City provided that it is carried out in accordance with all State of Minnesota Trapping Regulations and applicable trapping seasons. In all other zoning districts of the City, the use of leg-hold or pan-type traps shall be prohibited and permitted trapping shall only occur under water.
- (e) **Exceptions.** This section shall not apply to agents or employees of the city, county, state or federal governments who may, in the course of their duties, be required to hunt or trap a mammal or bird, or who may be retained by the city for that purpose.
- (f) **Enforcement.** Licensed peace officers, reserve officers, animal control officers, and community service officers employed by the Department of Public Safety are authorized to issue citations for a violation of this section.
- (g) **Penalty.** It shall be a misdemeanor to violate the provisions of this section.

Ord. No. 2669 04/18/83 Ord. No. 3353 10/06/97 Ord. No. 3429 10/18/99
Ord. No. 3437 12/06/99 Ord. No. 3727 02/20/07

62.18 THROWING STONES AND DISCHARGING AIR GUNS

No person shall throw from his hand any fragment of stone, wood or metal capable of inflicting injury, in any street, alley, park or public ground of the City or use, or have in his possession ready for use in any street, alley, park or public ground of the City any sling, bow and arrow, air gun or other contrivance for ejecting, discharging of stone, metal, wood or other substance capable of inflicting injury or annoyance.