

Local Law Filing

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County City Town Village

(select one:)

of Hoosick Falls

Introductory Local Law No. 4 of the year 2022

**RESTRICTION ON DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS AND CROSSBOWS IN THE
VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS.**

Be it enacted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Hoosick Falls as follows:

See attached.

(If additional space is needed, attach pages the same size as this sheet, and number each.)

VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS

INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2022 RESTRICTION ON DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS AND CROSSBOWS IN THE VILLAGE OF HOOSICK FALLS.

Section 1. Title.

This local law shall be known as the “Local Law Restricting the Discharge of Firearms and Crossbows in the Village of Hoosick Falls”.

Section 2. Discharge of Firearms and Crossbows Prohibited.

No person shall, except in self-defense and when reasonably necessary for the protection of life or property, fire or discharge or cause to be fired or discharged any projectile fire ammunition from any firearm, as defined in 6 NYCRR § 180.3(a) of the New York Administrative Code, or from any crossbow within the boundaries of the Village of Hoosick Falls.

Section 3. Exceptions.

A. The prohibitions in this chapter shall not apply to any officer of law while engaged in the protection of the safety of the people of the State of New York.

B. The Village Board of Trustees may permit the discharge of projectile firing ammunition from firearms upon any appropriate occasion of public ceremony, provided that the following conditions are complied with:

1. Application is made, in writing, to the Village Board of Trustees at least seven (7) days before the proposed use of firearms identifying the person who will be in charge of the proposed use of firearms and further showing that precautionary measures for the protection of the public which are sufficient in the judgment of the Village Board of Trustees will be taken by the applicant.
2. A bond, with sureties satisfactory to the Village Board of Trustees, shall be filed with the application before the proposed use of firearms, in an amount satisfactory to the Village Board of Trustees, conditioned for the payment of any and all damages to any person or to any property caused by the proposed use of firearms; provided, further, that the Village Board of Trustees may, in its discretion, dispense with the posting of any such bond in the case of the firing of memorial salutes with rifles loaded with blank cartridges by any veterans organization.

Section 4. Penalties for Offenses.

Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to a fine of no more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or both, for each offense. Each discharge of a firearm in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 5. Severability.

If any section or subdivision, paragraph, clause, or phrase of this law shall be adjudged invalid or held unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, any judgment made thereby shall not affect the validity of this law as a whole or any part thereof other than the part or provision so adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.

(Complete the certification in the paragraph that applies to the filing of this local law and strike out that which is not applicable.)

1. (Final adoption by local legislative body only.)

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Introductory Local Law No. 4 of 2022 of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of Hoosick Falls was duly passed by the Village Board of Trustees on _____, 2022, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.
(Name of Legislative body)

~~**2. (Passage by local legislative body with approval, no disapproval or repassage after disapproval by the Elective Chief Executive Officer*.)**~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ and was deemed duly adopted on _____ 20____ in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~
(Name of Legislative body)
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*

~~**3. (Final adoption by referendum.)**~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. Such local law was submitted to the people by reason of a (mandatory)(permissive) referendum, and received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at the (general)(special)(annual) election held on _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~
(Name of Legislative body)
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*

~~**4. (Subject to permissive referendum and final adoption because no valid petition was filed requesting referendum.)**~~

~~I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the ~~(County)(City)(Town)(Village)~~ of _____ was duly passed by the _____ on _____ 20____, and was (approved)(not approved) (repassed after disapproval) by the _____ on _____ 20____. Such local law was subject to permissive referendum and no valid petition requesting such referendum was filed as of _____ 20____, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.~~
(Name of Legislative body)
(Elective Chief Executive Officer)*

* Elective Chief Executive Officer means or includes the chief executive officer of a county elected on a county-wide basis or, if there be none, the chairperson of the county legislative body, the mayor of a city or village, or the supervisor of a town where such officer is vested with the power to approve or veto local laws or ordinances.

5. ~~(City local law concerning Charter revision proposed by petition.)~~

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the City of _____ having been submitted to referendum pursuant to the provisions of section (36)(37) of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of such city voting thereon at the (special)(general) election held on _____ 20____, became operative.

6. ~~(County local law concerning adoption of Charter.)~~

I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as local law No. _____ of 20____ of the County of _____ State of New York, having been submitted to the electors at the General Election of November _____ 20____, pursuant to subdivisions 5 and 7 of section 33 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, and having received the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors of the towns of said county considered as a unit voting at said general election, became operative.

(If any other authorized form of final adoption has been followed, please provide an appropriate certification.)

I further certify that I have compared the preceding local law with the original on file in this office and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of such original local law, and was finally adopted in the manner indicated in paragraph 1, above.

Clerk of the county legislative body, City, Town or Village
Clerk or officer designated by local legislative body

(Seal)

Date: _____