

VILLAGE OF STRATFORD, MARATHON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING §396-2 E ENTITLED  
“HUNTING PROHIBITED” AND CREATING §396-2(1) ENTITLED  
“HUNTING”**

The Village Board of the Village of Stratford, Marathon County, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Section 396-2 E of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stratford prohibiting hunting in the corporate limits of the Village of Stratford is hereby amended to provide as follows:

**§396-2 Regulation of Firearms and Explosives.**

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**E. Hunting Prohibited.** Except as provided in §396-2(1) hunting is prohibited within the corporate limits of the Village of Stratford.

**SECTION 2:** §396-2(1) of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stratford entitled “HUNTING” is hereby created to provide as follows:

**§396-2(1) Hunting.**

A. Definitions.

For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) “*Hunt or hunting*” includes shooting, shooting at, pursuing, taking, capturing or killing or attempting to capture or kill any wild animal.
- (2) “*Hunting Zones*” are defined as follows:
  - (a) “*Less-restrictive Zones*” includes those areas within the Village where hunting as defined under subsection (1) is allowed and is limited to shotguns of all types, bows and cross bows ( as permitted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources) along with black powder (or substitute) firing rifles.

**Center fire rifles or rim fire rifles cannot be used to hunt within any “Zone” within the Village of Stratford.**
  - (b) “*Archery Zones*” include and are limited to areas for hunting with bows, and cross bows only (as permitted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources).
  - (c) “*Archery Zones-Special Permit*”. In the event the Village Board deems it necessary or desirable to reduce the deer population on certain lands within the Village, it may, from time to time, by Village Board Resolution, allow deer hunting by special permit and by archery equipment only, within and upon specified land(s) designated as

“Archery Zone(s) Special Permit” for such period of time and upon such conditions as shall be set forth in the Village Board Resolution.

B. Permitted activity zones.

(a) *Map.* All “zones” shall be as depicted on the official “Village of Stratford Designated Hunting Zones” created September 2010 or thereafter. Hunting methods must conform to the restrictions upon that map.

(b) *Conformity.* All hunting shall be in conformity with Wisconsin State Statute Chapter 29 “Wild Animals and Plants” and regulations as established by the Wisconsin Natural Resources Code NR 10, and United States Fish and Wildlife Agency. In addition, all hunting shall be in conformity with the uses permitted according to Chapter 590 (Zoning) and Chapter 396 (Peace and Good Order) of the Municipal Code of the Village of Stratford.

(c) *Special permits.* Applications for an “archery zoned special permit” shall be made to the Chief of Police of the Village of Stratford or his designate on an official form available at the Stratford Police Department. Following the review of the application by the Chief and upon his recommendations to the Village Board at the next available board meeting, the Village Board in its discretion shall either grant or deny the permit.

C. Enforcement and penalties.

(a) *Enforcement.* Enforcement of the provisions of this section shall be within the jurisdiction of the Stratford Police Department.

(b) *Penalties.* Any person violating this section shall, upon conviction, forfeit not less than thirty dollars (\$30.00), or not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

**SECTION 3:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4:** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication as provided by law.

VILLAGE OF STRATFORD

By: Harvey “Bud” Suckow  
Harvey “Bud” Suckow, its President

Attest:

**June Krueger**

June Krueger, Village Clerk

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