

ORDINANCE RESTRICTING THE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS

SECTION 1. AUTHORITY. This Ordinance is adopted by the Selectboard of the Town of Salisbury under authority of 24 V.S.A. § 2291 (8), and 24 V.S.A. Chapter 59.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE. It is the purpose of this Ordinance to regulate the discharge of firearms in the more heavily populated areas of the Town of Salisbury, so as to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our citizens and the public.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

- A. High Density Residential/Village Center Area:** The High Density Residential District (HDR District) encompasses an area of town including and surrounding the historic village center of the Town of Salisbury.
- B. Lake Shore District Areas:**
- a. The Lakeshore 1 District (LS1 District) encompasses the area from the mean high water line outward for 150 feet and comprises the development immediately adjacent to Lake Dunmore.
 - b. The Lakeshore 2 District (LS2 District) surrounds Lakeshore District 1. On the eastern side of the lake, the LS2 outer boundary is 500 feet east of Lake Dunmore Road, from the Leicester town line to the intersection of Lake Dunmore Road and West Shore Road. From the intersection of Lake Dunmore Road and West Shore Road, continuing south on the western side of Lake Dunmore, the LS2 outer boundary is 800 feet to the west of the centerline of West Shore Road to the point at which the road leaves the lake area at the intersection of Timber Lane. From that point to the Leicester town line, the outer boundary is 950 feet from the mean high water line.

The location and boundaries of Zoning Districts, as referred to above, are established as shown on the Zoning Map entitled "Town of Salisbury Zoning Districts" prepared by the Addison County Regional Planning Commission, dated 4/2010, and recorded in the Salisbury Town Office. The Zoning Map is hereby made a part of this ordinance and all future amendments thereto. A small-scale, unofficial copy of the map is attached to this ordinance for convenience only. The Official Zoning Map is available for public review at the Salisbury Town Office during normal business hours.

SECTION 4. GENERAL PROHIBITION. The firing or discharge of a firearm is prohibited within a safety zone of 200 feet from any residence, building, or camper in the High Density Residential/Village Center (HDR District) or the Lakeshore District Areas (LS1 and LS2).

SECTION 5. EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS. This Ordinance does not preclude the discharge of a firearm in one's own defense or in defense of another or the humane termination of any animal that appears rabid or which poses an immediate threat to any person or persons. This Ordinance shall not

apply to a law enforcement officer or to an agent of any Federal, State, or Municipal agency using or discharging a firearm within the course of his or her employment and acting within the scope of his or her legal authority.

SECTION 6. ENFORCEMENT. The violation of this Ordinance shall be a civil matter which may be enforced in the Vermont Judicial Bureau or in the Addison County Superior Court.

- Violations enforced in the Judicial Bureau shall be in accordance with the provisions of 24 V.S.A. §§ 1974a and 1977 et seq.
- Violations enforced in the Superior Court shall be in accordance with the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. The Town of Salisbury may pursue all appropriate injunctive relief.
- For purposes of enforcement, any law enforcement officer, certified by the State of Vermont, shall be the designated enforcement officer. The enforcement officer shall issue tickets and shall be the appearing officer at any hearing.

SECTION 7. PENALTIES. First Offense: \$150.00, waiver fee \$75.00; Second Offense: \$300.00, waiver fee \$150.00; Third and each subsequent offense: \$500.00, waiver fee \$250.00.

SECTION 8. SEVERABILITY. If any section, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such finding shall not affect or impair the validity of any other part, or the remaining portion, of this Ordinance.

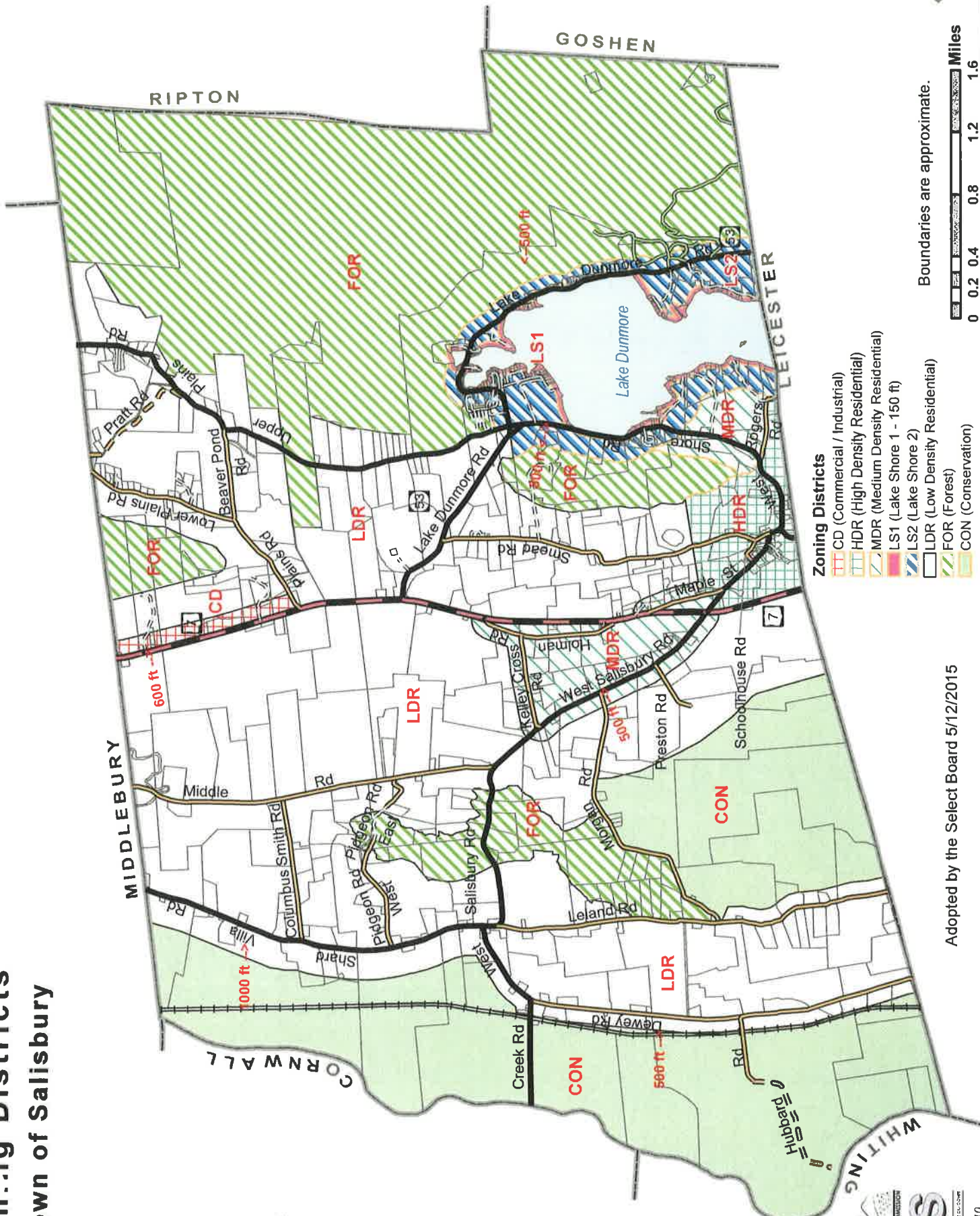
SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall become effective 60 days after its adoption by the Salisbury Selectboard. If a petition is filed under 24 V.S.A § 1973, that state shall govern the taking effect of this Ordinance.

Date of Approval/Adopted: April 26, 2016

Effective Date: June 25, 2016

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Zoning Districts Town of Salisbury



- Zoning Districts**
- CD (Commercial / Industrial)
 - HDR (High Density Residential)
 - MDR (Medium Density Residential)
 - LS1 (Lake Shore 1 - 150 ft)
 - LS2 (Lake Shore 2)
 - LDR (Low Density Residential)
 - FOR (Forest)
 - CON (Conservation)

Boundaries are approximate.



Adopted by the Select Board 5/12/2015