

Delete the definition for *GAME CLUB*; *CONSERVATION AREA* in its entirety and substitute the following:

GAME CLUB— An indoor or outdoor sportsman's' club, rod and gun club or other public or private club or organization established for the pursuit of hunting, fishing and outdoor recreational sports. Should the game club include a firearm range, shooting range, archery range or any area intended for the discharge of firearms or archery projectiles, whether indoor or outdoor, said range or area shall comply with the terms and conditions imposed by the Special Use Permit section 86-26.3.

CONSERVATION AREA: Any parcel or area of undeveloped land conserved in its natural state through deed or other legal means.

16. Abstract: Chapter 86-26.3, Clarification of requirements and Special Use Permit for Game Clubs.

86.26.3 At the end of the section add the following:

“(3) Game Club; Conservation Area : Clubs or organizations which include a firearm range or other area intended for the discharge of firearms are an allowed special use only when they meet the following conditions. The purpose of these provisions is to provide for the health, safety and welfare of the general public and that of the residents of adjoining and nearby properties.

(a) Newly proposed firearm ranges.

[1] New ranges shall be designed by a qualified Professional Engineer with firearms range expertise using nationally accepted standards for performance and safety including downrange safety.

[a] Professional Engineer shall be licensed in the State of New York.

[2] Range shall be designed in accordance with the National Rifle Association Range Sourcebook or other nationally accepted standard for the design of sporting firearms ranges.

[a] Range design and technical calculation shall be submitted along with copy of the range plan bearing and stamp and seal of the Professional Engineer.

[b] Range design plans will include surface danger zones showing downrange properties that fall within the zones. Occupied structures or frequently used outdoor spaces within the surface danger zones will be addressed in the range design and this will be described in the plan.

[3] Range design site plan will be reviewed by the Planning Board in accordance with provisions defined in Chapter 70, Site Plan Review. The Town reserves the right to engage a third party to review the range(s) for compliance with the Range Source Book standards or other acceptable national standards and all costs for this shall be borne by the applicant. At the conclusion of the review a special use permit will be issued for approved projects and projects approved with modifications.

[4] At the completion of range construction and prior to the use of the range, applicant shall arrange for a field audit of the completed facilities by the Professional Engineer who provided the design documents. The designing Professional Engineer shall certify that the range was constructed to the requirements called out on the plans.

[5] Within 12 months of the issuance of the Special Use Permit and each 12 months thereafter, range shall be inspected by the Town and examined for compliance to the approved special use permit. The Town reserves the right to engage a third party to review the range(s) for compliance with the plans and all costs for this shall be borne by the applicant.

[6] Changes to the layout, design or any other aspect of the ranges shall require resubmission of the plans and re issuance of a special use permit in accordance with this section.

(b) Existing Ranges shall be provided a period of 24 months to comply with provisions and requirements set for newly proposed ranges cited in (a) above."