

**ORDINANCE 2007-09**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF MORRIS,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING AREAS FOR THE DISCHARGE OF  
FIREARMS FOR DEER HUNTING**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Chatham suffers from problems with deprecations from a deer population that is overcrowded, causes numerous collisions with motor vehicles, is a vector for Lyme disease and causes thousands of dollars in damage to vegetation and plantings within the Township, and, as a result, the Township is developing a deer management plan of which this ordinance is a part;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Chatham, County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Section 3-6.3 of the Township Code is hereby amended to add subsection 3-6.3g as follows:

**1.** 3-6.3g. Deer hunting with shotgun, subject to the following safety standards and conditions:

1. Any person proposing to engage in shotgun deer hunting within the borders of the Township of Chatham shall first obtain a permit from the Police Department of the Township of Chatham.

2. Permits shall only be issued to individuals possessing a valid New Jersey State deer shotgun-hunting permit, and shall be limited to no more than twenty (20) permits per day.

3. Shotgun deer hunting may take place on properties, as more particularly shown on the map attached hereto, located on the south side of River Road to the Morris County line with Union County from Passaic Street to the Township boundary with Passaic Township, on the north side of Green Village Road from the Township boundary with Harding Township to the intersection with Shunpike Road and running north to the Township boundary, on the south side of Green Village Road from the Township boundary with Harding Township to the R-5A District as shown on the Zoning Map of the Township of Chatham and running south to the boundary of the Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, on Lots 117 and 117.01 in Block 48.15, Lot 117.27 in Block 48.16, Lot 10.01 in Block 128 along Southern Boulevard, on Lots 1 and 2 in Block 64 along River Road, and Lots 92, 93 and 94 in Block 18, and Lots 74, 76, 77, 87, 88, and 89 in Block 48 at the end of Tanglewood Lane., but only when permission has first been obtained from the property owner.

4. For any shotgun hunter who shall use a motor vehicle to access a permitted hunting area, such hunter shall display, while hunting, on such motor vehicle, when parked, a copy of the Township permit or such other placard or notice as may be provided by the police department.

5. All laws, rules and regulations regarding hunting now or as may be adopted by the State of New Jersey shall apply and are incorporated herein.

2. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Introduced: May 24, 2007

TOWNSHIP OF CHATHAM, COUNTY OF  
MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Adopted: June 28, 2007

Attest:

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kevin R. Tubbs, Mayor

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Joy M. Wiley, Clerk

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