

ORDINANCE NO. O-45-2026

AN ORDINANCE OF EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY, UTAH, AMENDING
EAGLE MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 9.10 AND
17.47 REGARDING ARCHERY USE WITHIN THE CITY

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the City Council of Eagle Mountain City finds that it is in the public interest to amend the Eagle Mountain Municipal Code Chapters 9.10 (Weapons) and 17.47 (Outdoor Shooting Range Overlay Zone), as set forth in Exhibit A to establish standards for the safe conduct of archery activities within the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Eagle Mountain City, Utah:

1. The City Council finds that all required notices, public hearings, and other procedural requirements for consideration and adoption of amendments to Eagle Mountain Municipal Code Chapters 9.10 (Weapons) and 17.47 (Outdoor Shooting Range Overlay Zone), as set forth in Exhibit A, have been satisfied.
2. The amendments to Eagle Mountain Municipal Code Chapters 9.10 and 17.47 as set forth in Exhibit A are hereby approved and adopted.
3. The City Council has considered the impact of this Ordinance on and found it consistent with family health, stability, and formation as required by Utah law.
4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passing.

ADOPTED by the City Council of Eagle Mountain City, Utah, this 6th day of October, 2026.

EAGLE MOUNTAIN CITY, UTAH


Jared R. Gray, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lacie A. Messerly
City Recorder

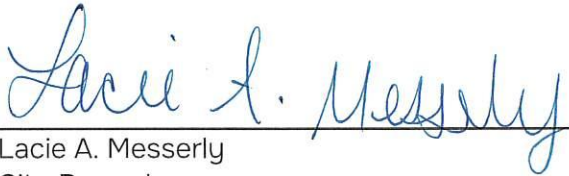


CERTIFICATION

The above ordinance was adopted by the City Council of Eagle Mountain City on the 6th day of October, 2026.

Those voting yes:	Those voting no:	Those excused:	Those abstaining:
☒ Melissa Clark	☐ Melissa Clark	☐ Melissa Clark	☐ Melissa Clark
☒ Zachory Huish	☐ Zachory Huish	☐ Zachory Huish	☐ Zachory Huish
☒ Craig Whiting	☐ Craig Whiting	☐ Craig Whiting	☐ Craig Whiting
☒ Rich Wood	☐ Rich Wood	☐ Rich Wood	☐ Rich Wood
☒ Brett Wright	☐ Brett Wright	☐ Brett Wright	☐ Brett Wright





Lacie A. Messerly
City Recorder

Posted on 10/8/2026 by SA.

Exhibit A

Chapter 17.47
OUTDOOR SHOOTING AND ARCHERY RANGE OVERLAY ZONE

17.47.010 What this chapter does.

This chapter contains land use provisions that regulate the development of outdoor shooting ranges and archery ranges on properties appropriately zoned. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

17.47.020 Purpose and objective.

The purpose of the outdoor shooting and archery range overlay zone is to provide for the locational control and safety standards for outdoor shooting and archery ranges, and to provide proper buffering and protection for neighboring development and uses. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

17.47.030 Rezone criteria.

In addition to meeting the rezoning requirements in Chapter [17.90](#) EMMC, the following criteria shall be considered when evaluating proposed rezones to the outdoor shooting and archery range overlay zone:

- A. Proximity to Residential. Applicant shall provide proof that proposal is not located too close to residential development and that the proposed use may be safely accomplished on site without putting neighboring developments in danger.
- B. Property Size. Outdoor shooting range properties shall generally be at least 10 acres in size; however, the city council may consider mitigating factors in approving the rezone on a smaller parcel. Archery ranges have no minimum parcel size, although should be large enough to incorporate the archery range safety plan.
- C. Underlying Zoning. The outdoor shooting and archery range overlay zone shall only be considered on lots with the following underlying zoning:
 - 1. Agriculture.
 - 2. Industrial.
 - 3. Open space – natural. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

17.47.040 Standards.

- A. Liability. Range operator/owner assumes all liability for the operation of outdoor shooting ranges and archery ranges.

- B. Access to the facility shall be from a public right-of-way or road.
- C. The applicant shall submit a plan of operations to the Eagle Mountain City planning commission for the shooting range and/or archery range, including all ancillary uses and activities. The plan shall include a health and safety plan that addresses the safety and security of patrons, guests, staff, and persons on adjacent parcels or lots of land.
- D. Applicant shall provide documentation to demonstrate that such facility has been designed, and shall be operated, to contain, on-site, all projectiles and debris caused by firing ammunition resulting from the discharge of firearms, bows, crossbows, and similar projectile-launching devices.
- E. Food services, as well as groceries, sporting goods, merchandise, guns and ammunition, bows and projectiles shall only be provided or sold to patrons, guests, staff, or operators of the facility.
- F. Outdoor shooting ranges and archery ranges may be exempted from commercial design standards by the city council.
- G. Outdoor shooting ranges and archery ranges shall not be located within one-quarter of a mile of the wildlife corridor. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

17.47.050 Safety regulations.

- A. The range shall conform to all federal, state, and industry regulations and standards for health and safety.
- B. Material and construction shall be designed and certified to capture all fired rounds and/or projectiles.
- C. No ammunition or projectiles shall be permitted to be fired that exceeds the certified design specifications of the range.
- D. No alcoholic beverages shall be sold, consumed, or permitted on the premises.
- E. A written log of all range users shall be maintained by the range operator.
- F. All archery lanes shall be equipped with backstops designed to fully stop arrows at the maximum draw weight and shooting distance proposed for the range.
- G. Minors shall not be permitted on the outdoor shooting range unless accompanied by a responsible adult at all times, and at no time shall a child under the age of eight be permitted to discharge or handle firearms or crossbows on the outdoor shooting range or archery range. Children under the age of eight may be permitted to handle a bow with the supervision of a responsible adult and in accordance with USA Archery guidelines.

- H. On-site supervision and monitoring shall be provided by the range operator/owner.
- I. Applicant shall submit a fire mitigation and safety plan.
- J. Use of exploding incendiary targets (such as Tannerite) is prohibited. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

17.47.060 Additional components.

In addition to the above an outdoor shooting range or archery range may include the following components:

- A. A retail component for the sale (and on-site rental) of firearms, ammunition, bows, projectiles and other related accessories. Such facility shall comply with all licensing and operation requirements of the Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), state agencies, and other regulator organizations.
- B. Classroom facilities to be used for community education, public forums, and seminars on gun safety and use.
- C. Restaurant or dining component.
- D. Event facilities.
- E. Office, gathering/event spaces, restrooms.
- F. Shooting platforms.
- G. Storage structures.
- H. Outdoor shooting ranges shall be permitted to reclaim brass, copper, steel, lead and other materials commonly associated with shooting. [Ord. [O-04-2022](#) § 2 (Exh. A)].

Chapter 9.10
WEAPONS

Article I. Firearms

9.10.010 Discharge of firearms prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person except peace officers in the pursuit of their lawful duties or private citizens acting in legitimate self-defense or other legally justified defense to discharge any firearm within the municipal boundaries of Eagle Mountain City. [Ord. 98-04 § 1].

9.10.020 “Firearm” defined.

For the purposes of this article, a “firearm” shall mean a pistol, revolver, shotgun, sawed-off shotgun, rifle, sawed-off rifle, or any device that could be used as a dangerous weapon from which is expelled a projectile by action of an explosive. [Ord. 98-04 § 2].

9.10.030 Discharge allowed at firing ranges.

This article shall not prevent the firing of firearms at any rifle, pistol or shotgun range lawfully designated by the city council of Eagle Mountain. [Ord. 98-04 § 3].

Article II. Crossbows and Bows

9.10.040 Discharge of bows and crossbows prohibited.

A. It shall be unlawful to discharge a bow or crossbow within the corporate limits of Eagle Mountain City except as provided in this article.

B. It shall be unlawful to discharge a bow or crossbow with a pull weight of more than 10 pounds within the corporate limits of Eagle Mountain City except as provided in this article. [Ord. 99-22 §§ 1, 2].

9.10.050 “Bow” and “crossbow” defined.

For the purposes of this article,

A. “Bow” shall mean any device consisting of a flexible material with a string connecting its ends, designed to propel an arrow or similar projectile.

B. “Crossbow” shall mean a bow mounted horizontally on a stock or frame and equipped with a trigger mechanism to release the string.

9.10.060 Discharge allowed at archery ranges.

The discharge of crossbows and bows with a pull weight of more than 10 pounds shall be limited to archery ranges expressly authorized for the practice of archery within Eagle Mountain City. [Ord. 99-22 § 3].

9.10.070 Planning commission review of proposed archery ranges.

The planning commission of Eagle Mountain City shall review all applications for the establishment and operation of archery ranges and may recommend to the city council the approval of a suitable site for an archery range under such conditions and upon compliance with such requirements as may be established for an archery range by the Utah County sheriff's office and the city planning commission. [Ord. 99-22 § 4].