

571.15 BRANDISHING OR POSSESSING A REPLICA FIREARM.

(a) No person shall, except in self-defense, draw, exhibit or brandish a replica firearm in a threatening manner or in such a manner as to tend to cause the victim to reasonably believe that the person is actually in possession of an operable firearm.

(b) No person under 18 years of age shall possess or alter a replica firearm in such a manner that the object is indistinguishable from a firearm, whether or not the object is capable of being fired.

(c) As used in this section, the term "replica firearm" includes any device or object, made of any material, which is a facsimile or toy version of, or is otherwise recognizable as, a pistol, revolver, shotgun, sawed-off shotgun, rifle, machine gun, rocket launcher, or any other firearm.

(d) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

571.09 DISCHARGING FIREARMS

(a) No person shall discharge any firearm in the City except in a regularly established shooting gallery or range. This division shall not be construed to prohibit any law enforcement officer from discharging a firearm in the performance of his or her duty, or to prohibit any citizen from discharging a firearm when lawfully defending person or property.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.



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**Air Gun & BB Gun
Ownership
Responsibilities**

Keeping Euclid Safe

Real or Fake



Every year across America, there are instances in which a toy gun or air gun are mistaken for a real gun, resulting in tragedy. Air guns are required by federal law to have a “blaze orange” tip but often times this tip is removed or covered; making the air gun look more like a real weapon. For everyone’s safety, the Euclid Police Department seeks to raise awareness about laws and the safe use of air guns. The top image is real, the bottom image is an air gun with the tip cut off.

Parental Responsibilities:

Learn and follow firearm safety guidelines.

Teach your child safe gun-handling rules.

Ensure orange tip stays on and is clearly visible.

Take your child to an established range and actively supervise air gun use.

Ensure your child uses eye and face protection.

Keep air guns locked and accessible only with express permission.

Talk with your child’s friends’ parents about air gun safety and rules.

Youth Responsibilities:

Know the law and act responsibly.

Never carry the gun with you or bring it to school, parks or any public location.

Treat every gun as if it is loaded.

Do not alter the weapon or cover the orange safety tips.

At the range always point the gun in a safe direction. Keep your finger off trigger until ready to shoot. Know your target and beyond.

Euclid Ordinances

In Euclid it is against the law to fire a BB gun or air gun, as well as other weapons.

571.10 SLINGSHOT, BOW AND ARROW AND AIR RIFLE.

(a) No person shall shoot, force or throw, by means of a slingshot, bow and arrow or air rifle, any lead, iron, stone, pellet, arrow or other missile in the City, except in a regularly established gallery or range.

(b) Whoever violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree.

IMPORTANT

If a law enforcement officer approaches you while you have a BB or air gun, immediately stop and follow the commands of the officer.

If the BB or air gun is in your backpack, clothes pocket, or pants, do not reach for it. Tell the officer you are in possession of a BB or air gun.