

**[ FED, January 29, 1996 ]**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE MANUFACTURE,  
SALE POSSESSION AND CARRYING OF AIR RIFLE/PISTOLS**

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 712, dated 28 July 1981, the following rules and regulations governing the manufacture, sale, possession and carrying of air rifles/pistols are hereby promulgated:

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**Scope**

These rules and regulations shall apply to all persons who desire to manufacture, deal in, possess or carry air rifles/pistols.

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**References**

- a. Section 24 (f), Republic Act No. 6975.
- b. Sections 877, 883, and 884 of the Revised Administrative Code
- c. Executive Order No. 70, dated 9 February 1967
- d. Executive Order No. 712, dated 28 July 1981
- e. Rules and Regulations implementing Presidential Decree No. 1866, dated 29 June 1983
- f. PNP SOP NO. 13, dated 19 September 1991

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**Definition**

Air rifle/pistol as herein used includes spring powered rifles/pistols.

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**Classification of Air Rifles/Pistols**

Pursuant to Section 877 of the Revised Administrative Code, the term "firearms" also includes air rifles except such as being of small caliber and limited range are used as toys. For this purpose, air rifles/pistols from caliber .22 and up are classified

as firearms. Air rifles/pistols lower than caliber .22 shall be tested to determine whether or not they fall under the category of firearm.

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### Testing of Air Rifles/Pistols

a. Air rifles/pistols lower than caliber .22 shall be tested by the Air Rifle/Pistol Test and Classification Boards to be set up at this Headquarters and in the different provinces and cities and METRODISCOM. The composition of the Boards are as follows:

#### HPNP Air rifle/pistol Test and Classification Board

Storage Officer, FEO ----- Chairman  
Representative of DO ----- Member  
Representatives of OCS ----- Member

#### PNP Provincial Air Rifle/Pistol Test and Classification Board

PNP Provincial Operation Officer ----- Chairman  
PNP Provincial Supply Officer ----- Member  
PNP Provincial Firearms NCO ----- Member

#### PNP Metrodiscom Air Rifle/Pistol Test Classification Board

PNP Metrodiscom Operation Officer ----- Chairman  
PNP Metrodiscom Supply Officer ----- Member  
PNP Metrodiscom Firearm NCO ----- Member

b. Air rifle/pistol of Metro Manila residents shall be tested by the HPNP Test and Classification Board. Those in the provinces shall be tested by the PNP Provincial Test and Classification Board, except those in cities with Metrodiscom where the test shall be made by the PNP Metrodiscom Test and Classification Board.

c. The air rifle/pistol shall be fired three (3) times at an ordinary plywood, one-fourth (1/4) inch thick, from a distance of ten (10) feet. If any of the fired pellets penetrated (passed through) the plywood, the air rifle/pistol shall be classified as firearm, otherwise, the air rifle/pistol shall be classified as toy.

d. Air rifles/pistols classified as toy shall be issued by the Test and Classification Board a certificate, as follows:

#### (Letterhead of the Test and Classification Board)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

This is to certify that in a test conducted by this Board on (Date), the air rifle/pistol described hereunder owned by (Name) of (Address) was found to be only a toy and does not require license or permit from this Headquarters:

Kind \_\_\_\_\_

Make \_\_\_\_\_

Caliber \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Other distinguishing Features \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Chairman)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Member)

e. If the air rifle/pistol has no serial number, it will be assigned a serial number by the Firearms and Explosives Office, PNP. It will be the duty of the Classification Board to secure the corresponding serial number from FEO and see to it that the same is duly engraved in the air rifle/pistol.

f. This certification shall be kept by the owner of the toy air rifle/pistol as a permanent document to be presented to law enforcement when so required, to prove that the air rifle/pistol does not require a license or permit from the Philippine National Police. In the case of manufacturers or dealers, the certificate shall be framed and displayed conspicuously in the factory.

### **Manufacturing**

a. The manufacture of air rifle/pistol classified as firearm shall be under license issued by the Chief of Constabulary (now Chief, Philippine National Police) pursuant to Sections 883 and 884 of the Revised Administrative Code.

b. The application to manufacture shall be supported with the following documents:

1. For corporations, copies of the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, and Certificate of Registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

2. For partnership and single proprietorship, copy of the registration with the Bureau of Domestic Trade.

3. Copy of the business permit from the city or municipality where the factory is located.

4. Detail and location plans of the factory or shop.

5. Clearances of the Manager from the Court, Station Commander PNP, and Intelligence Divisions (PNP) (formerly C-2) or R-2 (for Provincial residents), and certificate of good conduct from the Mayor or the city/municipality where he resides.