1986 No. 268

FIREARMS

Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986

Made . . . . . *11th August 1986*

Coming into operation . . . . *3rd November 1986*

To be laid before Parliament

The Secretary of State, in pursuance of Articles 10, 14, 27, 28, 34 and 58 of the Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(**a**) hereby makes the following regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations may be cited as the Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1986 and shall come into operation on 3rd November 1986.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

(*a*) "the Order" means the Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 and any reference to an Article is a reference to that Article as numbered in the Order;

(*b*) any reference to a Form by number is a reference to that Form as numbered in the Schedule.

Permit for auctioneer

3. A permit under Article 10(2) (permit authorising an auctioneer to sell by auction, expose for sale by auction, or have in his possession for sale by auction, firearms or ammunition without being registered as a firearms dealer) shall be in Form 1.

Permit for equipment for ships and aircraft

4. A permit under Article 14(1) (permit authorising the removal of a firearm from or to a ship, or of a signalling apparatus from or to an aircraft or aerodrome) shall be in Form 2.

Application for firearm certificate

5. An application under Article 27 for the grant or renewal of a firearm certificate or under Article 29(2) for its variation shall be in Form 3 and contain the particulars in that form.

6.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), an application for:—

(*a*) the grant of a firearm certificate, or

(*b*) the renewal of a firearm certificate where that firearm certificate has been renewed twice since a photograph was affixed to it,

shall be accompanied by two recent photographs of the applicant which comply with the requirements set out in paragraph (2).

(a) S.I. 1981/155 (N.I. 2)

(2) The photographs to be furnished in accordance with paragraph (1) shall be:—

(*a*) taken full face, without a hat;

(*b*) not more than 63mm by 50mm (2½ inches by 2 inches) or less than 50mm by 38mm (2 inches by 1½ inches) in size;

(*c*) printed on normal thin photographic paper, be unglazed on the back and unmounted; and

(*d*) endorsed on the reverse side by a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary with the words—

"I verify this is a true likeness of (full name of person)" to which statement he shall add his normal signature and the date.

(3) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to an applicant for a firearm certificate who is resident in a country outside the United Kingdom and who has elected, in pursuance of Article 28(4) to have Article 28(3) apply to him.

Firearm certificates

7. A firearm certificate shall be in Form 4.

Application for registration as a firearms dealer

8. An application under Article 34(3) or Article 34(5)(*b*) to be registered as a firearms dealer, or for a new certificate of registration, shall be in Form 5 and include the particulars in that form.

The register of firearms dealers

9. The register of firearms dealers to be kept by the Chief Constable by virtue of Article 34(1) shall be in Form 6.

Notification by firearms dealers under Article 38(1)

10. A notification under Article 38(1) (notification that a firearms dealer proposes to carry on business as such at a place of business not yet entered in the register) shall be in Form 7 and shall include the particulars in that form.

Register of transactions

11. A register of transactions to be kept under Article 42 by a person who by way of trade or business manufactures, sells or transfers firearms or ammunition shall be in Form 8 and the person keeping the register shall comply with the instructions in that form.

Revocation

12. The Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1969(**a**), the Firearms Certificates (Photographs) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973(**b**) and the Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979(**c**) are hereby revoked.

Tom King
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State

Northern Ireland Office
11th August 1986

(**a**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1969 No. 32
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 192
(**c**) S.R. 1979 No. 276

SCHEDULE Regulation 3

FORM 1

PERMIT FOR AN AUCTIONEER

This permit allows an auctioneer to sell by auction, expose for sale by auction and have in his possession for sale by auction a firearm or ammunition.

Permission is hereby granted to the auctioneer(s)

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(NAME)

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(ADDRESS)

to have in possession for sale by auction and to expose for sale by auction the following firearm(s) and ammunition:

FIREARMS

(description, including type, calibre, maker's name, identification number or other distinguishing mark).

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AMMUNITION .....

(quantity, type and calibre)

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and to sell them by auction at .....

(ADDRESS)

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between the following dates:

from ..... to .....

subject to the following conditions:—

(1) The person to whom this permit is granted shall inform the Chief Constable immediately of the name and address of any person purchasing any of the above firearms or ammunition.

(2) The firearm(s)/ammunition shall not be transferred to any person not having authority to possess them.

(3) The holder must not allow any person to use or have in his possession any firearm or ammunition to which this permit relates other than a person legally entitled to do so.

(4) Any firearm and ammunition to which this permit relates must at all times be kept in a secure place and beyond the reach of children.

(5) The theft or loss of this permit or any firearm or ammunition to which it relates must be notified to the police **immediately** on discovery of the theft or loss.

(6) Such precautions as the Chief Constable may direct shall be taken to ensure the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition.

(7) This permit must be returned to the Chief Constable, at the address given below, within 7 days following the date on which it expires, or as soon as the firearm(s) and ammunition to which it relates have been disposed of, whichever is the earlier.

This permit will expire on (date) .....

PLEASE RETURN THIS PERMIT TO:

The Chief Constable
Firearms Branch
RUC Lisnasharragh
Montgomery Road
BELFAST
BT6 9JD

SIGNED ..... C/INSP/SUPT Date .....

For Chief Constable
Royal Ulster Constabulary

Official Stamp

SCHEDULE Regulation 4

FORM 2

PERMIT TO REMOVE

*a firearm to or from a ship, or

*signalling apparatus to or from an aircraft or aerodrome

*(please delete one)

Permission is granted to:

Surname .....

Forename(s) .....

Full Address .....

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Post code .....

To remove: Description of firearm/signalling apparatus

Type .....

Calibre .....

Maker's Name .....

Identification Number .....
(or other distinguishing mark)

From: Give address or name and location of ship/ aircraft or aerodrome as appropriate

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To: Give address or name and location of ship/ aircraft or aerodrome as appropriate

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THIS PERMIT IS VALID UNTIL (Date) .....

AND IS ISSUED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

You must on receipt sign this approval in ink in your usual signature.

You must not allow any unauthorised person to have in his possession any firearm to which this permit relates.

The theft or loss of this permit or any firearm to which it relates must be notified to the police **immediately** on discovering the theft or loss.

Such precautions as the Chief Constable may direct shall be taken to ensure the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition.