

Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997

CHAPTER 5

FIREARMS (AMENDMENT) ACT 1997

PART I

PROHIBITION OF WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION AND CONTROL OF SMALL-CALIBRE PISTOLS

General prohibition of small firearms etc.

1 Extension of s.5 of the 1968 Act to prohibit certain small firearms etc.

Special exemptions from prohibition of small firearms

- 2 Slaughtering instruments.
- 3 Firearms used for humane killing of animals.
- 4 Shot pistols used for shooting vermin.
- 5 Races at athletic meetings.
- 6 Trophies of war.
- 7 Firearms of historic interest.

Weapons and ammunition used for treating animals

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Prohibited ammunition: expanding ammunition and missiles for expanding ammunition

- 9 General prohibition of expanding ammunition etc.
- 10 Expanding ammunition etc.: exemptions from prohibition.

Provisions relating to the control of small-calibre pistols

- Having small-calibre pistol outside licensed pistol club.
- 12 Firearm certificates for small-calibre pistols: special conditions.
- 13 Permits to have small-calibre pistols outside licensed pistol clubs.

14 Transitional arrangements for certain small-calibre pistols.

Surrender of firearms, etc. and compensation

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 —

SCHEDULE 2 — Consequential and minor amendments

Firearms Act 1968 (c.27)

- 1 The Firearms Act 1968 shall be amended as follows.
- 2 (1) In section 3(5) (false statements with a view to...
- 3 In section 11(3), 23(2) and 54(5) (all of which refer...
- 4 (1) After section 28 there shall be inserted the following...
- 5 In section 32 (exemption from fee for certificate in certain...
- 6 In section 32A(4)(b) and 32C(7), for the words "section 4(2)...
- 7 In section 38(8) (surrender of register of transactions by dealer)...
- 8 In section 40 (compulsory register of transactions)—
- 9 In section 50 (special powers of arrest) for subsection (2)...
- 10 In section 54(1) (application of Parts I and II to...
- 11 In section 54(2)(b), for the words "section 26" there shall...
- 12 In Schedule 5 (provisions as to appeals under section 44),...
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- In Part I of Schedule 6 (prosecution and punishment of...

Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988 (c.45)

- 15 The Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988 shall be amended as follows....
- 16 In section 7(1) (conversion not to affect classification), for paragraph...

- 17 In section 11(1) (co-terminous certificates) for the words "subsection (3),...
- 18 In section 12 (revocation of certificates) in subsection (1), for...
- 19 In section 17(10) and paragraph 4(1) of the Schedule, for...
- 20 In section 22(1)(c) (firearms consultative committee), for the words "the...

SCHEDULE 3 — Repeals

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997.