



# Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997

## 1997 CHAPTER 5

### PART I

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

##### *Special exemptions from prohibition of small firearms*

#### **5 Races at athletic meetings.**

[<sup>F1</sup>The authority of the Secretary of State or the Scottish Ministers] is not required by virtue of subsection (1)(aba) of section 5 of the 1968 Act—

- (a) for a person to have a firearm in his possession at an athletic meeting for the purpose of starting races at that meeting; or
- (b) for a person to have in his possession, or to purchase or acquire, or to sell or transfer, a firearm if he is authorised by a firearm certificate to have the firearm in his possession, or to purchase or acquire it, subject to a condition that it is only for use in connection with starting races at athletic meetings.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 5 substituted (14.7.2014) by [Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), [ss. 109\(3\)\(a\)](#), 185(1) (with [ss. 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93](#)); [S.I. 2014/949](#), art. 6(b)

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997, Section 5.