



# Firearms Act 1937

## CHAPTER 12

### FIREARMS ACT 1937

#### PART I

##### REGULATION OF PURCHASE, POSSESSION, MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF CERTAIN FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS

###### *Purchase and Possession of certain Firearms and Ammunition*

- 1 Penalty for purchasing or possessing firearms or ammunition without certificate
- 2 Grant, renewal, variation, and revocation of certificates
- 3 Fees in respect of certificates
- 4 Exemptions from holding a certificate
- 5 Application of foregoing provisions to Crown servants
- 6 Production of certificates

###### *Manufacture and sale of certain firearms and ammunition and other transactions*

- 7 Penalty for manufacturing or dealing in firearms or ammunition without being registered
- 8 Registration of firearms dealers
- 9 Certificates of registration
- 10 Registration of places of business of firearms dealers
- 11 Restrictions on sale, repair, &c. of firearms and ammunition
- 12 Register of transactions in firearms
- 13 Powers of court in case of offences by registered firearms dealers
- 14 Penalty for taking in pawn firearms or ammunition

###### *Savings and application*

- 15 Savings

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- 16 Firearms and ammunition to which Part I applies

## PART II

### MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AS TO FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION

- 17 Prohibited weapons and ammunition  
18 Power to prohibit removals of firearms and ammunition  
19 Restriction on purchase and possession of firearms by young persons  
20 Prohibition of sale, &c. of firearms to drunk or insane persons  
21 Prohibition on persons convicted of crime purchasing or possessing firearms  
22 Penalty for possessing firearms with intent to injure  
23 Penalty for use and possession of firearms or imitation firearms in certain cases  
24 Provisions as to shortening guns and converting imitation firearms into firearms

## PART III

### GENERAL

- 25 Provisions as to forfeiture of firearms and cancellation of certificates  
26 Power to search for and dispose of firearms and ammunition  
27 Time for commencing summary proceedings under Act  
28 Application of Act to police  
29 Service of notices  
30 Power to Secretary of State to make rules  
31 Transitional  
32 Interpretation  
33 General savings  
34 Short title, repeal, extent and commencement

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## SCHEDULES

### FIRST SCHEDULE — Provisions as to Appeals from the Chief Officer of Police and Applications under Section Twenty-one of this Act

- 1 Notice of an appeal or application, signed by the appellant...  
2 A notice of an appeal shall be given within twenty-one...  
3 On receiving notice of an appeal or application the clerk...  
4 An appellant or applicant may at any time, not less...  
5 The chief officer of police may appear and be heard...  
6 The court may from time to time adjourn the hearing...  
7 On the hearing of an appeal the court may either...  
8 On the determination of an appeal or application the court...  
9 The powers and duties of the court with respect to...

### SECOND — Particulars to be entered by Firearms Dealers in Register of SCHEDULE Transactions

- 1 The quantities and description of firearms and ammunition manufactured and...  
2 The quantities and description of firearms and ammunition purchased or...  
3 The quantities and description of firearms and ammunition sold or...

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- 4 The quantities and description of firearms and ammunition in possession...
- 5 In this Schedule references to firearms and ammunition shall be...

THIRD SCHEDULE — Offences to which Subsection (2) of Section Twenty-three Applies

FOURTH SCHEDULE — Enactments Repealed