



Violent Crime Reduction Act 2006

2006 CHAPTER 38

PART 2

WEAPONS ETC.

Air weapons

33 Age limits for purchase etc. of air weapons

- (1) The 1968 Act is amended as follows.
- (2) For section 22(1) (acquisition and possession of firearms by minors) substitute—
 - “(1) It is an offence—
 - (a) for a person under the age of eighteen to purchase or hire an air weapon or ammunition for an air weapon;
 - (b) for a person under the age of seventeen to purchase or hire a firearm or ammunition of any other description.”
- (3) In subsection (4) of that section, for “seventeen” substitute “eighteen”.
- (4) For section 24(1) (supplying firearms to minors) substitute—
 - “(1) It is an offence—
 - (a) to sell or let on hire an air weapon or ammunition for an air weapon to a person under the age of eighteen;
 - (b) to sell or let on hire a firearm or ammunition of any other description to a person under the age of seventeen.”
- (5) In subsection (4) of that section in paragraphs (a) and (b), for “seventeen” substitute “eighteen”.
- (6) In the table in Part 1 of Schedule 6 (punishment)—
 - (a) in the entry for section 22(1), in the second column, at the end insert “or person under 18 acquiring air weapon”;

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (b) in the entry for section 22(4), in the second column, for “17” substitute “18”;
- (c) in the entry for section 24(1), in the second column, at the end insert “or an air weapon to a person under 18”;
- (d) in the entry for section 24(4), in the second column, for “17” substitute “18”.