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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2019 No. 1420**

**The Firearms Regulations 2019**

**Amendments to the Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004**

5.—(1) The Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004(1) is amended as follows.

(2) In Article 7 (grant of firearm certificate to young persons)—

(a) in paragraph (2)—

(i) omit the “and” at the end of sub-paragraph (b);

(ii) after sub-paragraph (c) insert—

“and

(d) the Chief Constable attaches a condition under Article 6(1) that arrangements must be in place for ensuring that a parent or guardian assumes responsibility for the secure storage of the firearm and ammunition to which the certificate relates.”;

(b) in paragraph (3)—

(i) omit the “and” at the end of sub-paragraph (a);

(ii) after sub-paragraph (b) insert—

“and

(c) the Chief Constable attaches a condition under Article 6(1) that arrangements must be in place for ensuring that a person who has attained the age of 21 and has held a firearm certificate for a firearm of that type for at least three years assumes responsibility for the secure storage of the firearm and ammunition to which the certificate relates.”.

(3) In Article 38A (recording of transactions in firearms by Chief Constable)—

(a) in paragraph (2)(a), for “to (d)” substitute “and (b)”;

(b) in paragraph (2)(b), after “transferee” insert “, together with the date of the transaction”;

(c) in paragraph (3)(b), for “20 years from the date of the transaction” substitute “30 years after the destruction of the firearm in question”;

(4) In Schedule 3 (record of transactions) for paragraph 6 substitute—

“6.

References in paragraphs 1 to 5 to a description of a firearm include—

(a) in the case of firearms manufactured before 14th September 2018 and firearms of historical importance—

(i) the type of firearm;

(ii) the model;

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(1) [S.I. 2004/702 \(N.I.3\)](#). Article 7 was amended by [S.I. 2010/1759](#) and paragraph 2(1) of Schedule 5 to the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 (c. 21). Article 38A was inserted by [S.I. 2015/860](#). Paragraph 6 of Schedule 3 was inserted by [S.I. 2015/860](#). Other amendments are not relevant.

- (iii) the calibre;
  - (iv) the name of the manufacturer or brand;
  - (v) the country or place of manufacture, if known;
  - (vi) the serial number;
- (b) in the case of firearms (other than firearms of historical importance) manufactured in the United Kingdom or anywhere in the European Union or imported from outside the European Union on or after 14th September 2018—
- (i) the type of firearm;
  - (ii) the model;
  - (iii) the calibre;
  - (iv) the unique marking affixed to each component part, excluding the magazine, to include—
    - (aa) the name of the manufacturer or brand;
    - (bb) the country or place of manufacture;
    - (cc) the serial number;
    - (dd) the year of manufacture (if not part of the serial number);
    - (ee) the model (where feasible);
  - (v) where a component part, other than the frame and the receiver, is too small to have a unique marking including all of the information set out in paragraph (iv) (aa) to (ee) above, the serial number or alphanumeric or digital code instead of that information.”.