
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 702

The Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004

PART III

FIREARMS DEALERS

Consequences of expiration or revocation of firearms dealer's certificate

30.—(1) Where a firearms dealer's certificate expires or is revoked, the Chief Constable may, if the certificate has expired, and shall, if it has been revoked, by notice in writing require the holder to surrender—

- (a) his certificate;
- (b) any records of transactions kept by him under Article 38 (or if, the records are stored in any electronic form, a copy of the information comprised in those records in a readable form), and
- (c) any firearms or ammunition held by him for which there is no firearm certificate in force,

and if he fails to do so within 21 days from the date of the notice or within such further time as the Chief Constable may in special circumstances allow, he shall be guilty of an offence.

(2) If an appeal is brought against the revocation of the certificate, paragraph (1) shall not apply unless the appeal is abandoned or dismissed and shall then apply with the substitution for the reference to the date of the notice of a reference to the date on which the appeal was abandoned or dismissed.

(3) The Chief Constable may by notice in writing require the holder of a firearms dealer's certificate which has expired or been revoked to dispose of any firearms or ammunition mentioned in paragraph (1) within such period from the date of the notice as may be specified in the notice.

(4) If the holder does not comply with a notice under paragraph (3) within the period specified in the notice or within such further period as the Chief Constable may in special circumstances allow, the Chief Constable may order that the firearms or ammunition shall be destroyed or otherwise disposed of.