STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2004 No. 702

The Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004

PART IV

CONTROL OF TRANSACTIONS

Business and other transactions with firearms and ammunition

- **37.**—(1) A person who sells or transfers to any other person in the United Kingdom, other than the holder of a firearms dealer's certificate, any firearm or ammunition, unless that other person—
 - (a) produces a firearm certificate authorising him to purchase or acquire it; or
 - (b) shows that he is by virtue of this Order entitled to purchase or acquire it without holding a certificate,

shall be guilty of an offence.

- (2) A person who undertakes the repair, test or proof of a firearm or ammunition for any other person in the United Kingdom, other than the holder of a firearms dealer's certificate, unless that other person—
 - (a) produces or causes to be produced a firearm certificate authorising him to have possession of the firearm or ammunition; or
 - (b) shows that he is by virtue of this Order entitled to have possession of it without holding a certificate.

shall be guilty of an offence.

- (3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) have effect subject to any exemption under this Order.
- (4) A person who, with a view to purchasing or acquiring, or procuring the repair, test or proof of, any firearm or ammunition—
 - (a) produces a false certificate or other document or a certificate or other document in which any false entry has been made;
 - (b) personates a person to whom a certificate or other document has been granted; or
- (c) knowingly or recklessly makes a statement false in any material particular, shall be guilty of an offence.
- (5) A pawnbroker who takes in pawn from any person any firearm or ammunition shall be guilty of an offence.
- (6) It is not an offence under paragraph (1) for a person who is a carrier or warehouseman or an employee of a carrier or warehouseman to deliver any firearm or ammunition in the ordinary course of his business or employment as such.
- (7) It is not an offence under paragraph (1) for a person to part with the possession of any firearm or ammunition, otherwise than in pursuance of a contract of sale or hire or by way of gift or loan, to a person who shows that he is by virtue of this Order entitled to have possession of the firearm or ammunition without holding a firearm certificate.