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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1

FIREARM CERTIFICATES – EXEMPTIONS

Recreational facilities

8.—(1) A person may, without holding a firearm certificate, acquire or have in his possession at a recreational facility an air gun if the person operating the facility has a firearm certificate for the gun.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) does not apply if—

- (a) the air gun is an air pistol capable of discharging a missile so that the missile has, on being discharged, a kinetic energy in excess of 8.13 joules; or
- (b) in any other case, the air gun is capable of discharging a missile so that the missile has, on being discharged, a kinetic energy in excess of 16.27 joules.

(3) In sub-paragraph (1) “recreational facility” means a miniature rifle range, a shooting gallery or a facility for combat games.

(4) Sub-paragraph (1) is without prejudice to paragraph 9.

(5) Sub-paragraph (1) so far as it relates to a facility for combat games does not apply in relation to a person who is under the age of 16.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Order associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 6(3A) inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 62\(2\)](#)
- art. 6A inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 62\(3\)](#)
- art. 11(1A) inserted by [2019 c. 17 s. 62\(4\)](#)