

### Firearms Act 1937

### **1937 CHAPTER 12**

### PART I

## REGULATION OF PURCHASE, POSSESSION, MANUFACTURE AND SALE OF CERTAIN FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS

### Savings and application

#### 16 Firearms and ammunition to which Part I applies

- (1) This Part of this Act applies to all firearms as defined in section thirty-two of this Act, except the following weapons and component parts thereof and accessories thereto, namely—
  - (a) a smooth bore gun having a barrel not less than twenty inches in length;
  - (b) an air gun, air rifle or air pistol not being of a type declared by rules made by a Secretary of State under this Act to be specially dangerous.

# (2) This Part of this Act applies to all ammunition as defined in section thirty-two of this Act, except the following articles, namely—

- (a) cartridges containing five or more shot, none of which exceeds nine twentyfifths of an inch in diameter;
- (b) ammunition for an air gun or air rifle or air pistol;
- (c) blank cartridges not exceeding one inch in diameter.
- (3) For the purpose of this section the diameter of a cartridge shall be measured immediately in front of the rim or cannelure of the base of the cartridge.