



# Offensive Weapons Act 2019

## 2019 CHAPTER 17

### PART 6

#### FIREARMS

#### **54 Prohibition of certain firearms etc: England and Wales and Scotland**

- (1) The Firearms Act 1968 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 5 (weapons subject to general prohibition), in subsection (1), after paragraph (af) insert—
  - “(ag) any rifle with a chamber from which empty cartridge cases are extracted using—
    - (i) energy from propellant gas, or
    - (ii) energy imparted to a spring or other energy storage device by propellant gas,other than a rifle which is chambered for .22 rim-fire cartridges;”.
- (3) In section 5(1), for the “and” at the end of paragraph (b) substitute—
  - “(ba) any device (commonly known as a bump stock) which is designed or adapted so that—
    - (i) it is capable of forming part of or being added to a self-loading lethal barrelled weapon (as defined in section 57(1B) and (2A)), and
    - (ii) if it forms part of or is added to such a weapon, it increases the rate of fire of the weapon by using the recoil from the weapon to generate repeated pressure on the trigger; and”.
- (4) In section 5(2), after “including,” insert “ in the case of weapons, any devices falling within subsection (1)(ba) of this section and, ”.
- (5) In section 5(2A)(a), after “weapon” insert “ , device ”.

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- (7) In Schedule 6 (prosecution and punishment of offences) in Part 1 (table of punishments)—
- (a) in the entry for section 5(1)(a), (ab), (aba), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c), in the first column, after “(af)” insert “ , (ag), (ba) ”,
  - (b) in the entry for section 19, in the third column, for “or (af)” substitute “ , (af), (ag) or (ba) ”, and
  - (c) in the entry for section 20(1), in the third column, for “or (af)” substitute “ , (af), (ag) or (ba) ”.
- (8) The amendments made by subsection (6) apply only in relation to—
- (a) an offence under section 5(1)(ag) or (ba) of the Firearms Act 1968 which is committed after the coming into force of subsection (6), and
  - (b) an offence under a provision listed in section 51A(1A) of that Act in respect of a firearm specified in section 5(1)(ag) or (ba) of that Act which is committed after the coming into force of subsection (6).

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 54(6) repealed (1.12.2020) by [Sentencing Act 2020 \(c. 17\)](#), s. 416(1), [Sch. 29](#) (with ss. 413(4), 416(7), [Sch. 27](#)); [S.I. 2020/1236](#), reg. 2

#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 54(1)(5)(7)(a) in force at Royal Assent, s. 54(2)-(4) in force for specified purposes at Royal Assent, see. s. 70(5)(c)(d)-(f)
- I2** S. 54(2)-(4) in force at 14.7.2021 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2021/819](#), [reg. 2\(f\)](#)
- I3** S. 54(7)(b)(c)(8) in force at 14.7.2021 by [S.I. 2021/819](#), [reg. 2\(f\)](#)

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