



Offensive Weapons Act 2019

2019 CHAPTER 17

PART 6

FIREARMS

62 Conditions applying to certain firearms: Northern Ireland

- (1) The Firearms (Northern Ireland) Order 2004 ([SI 2004/702 \(NI 3\)](#)) is amended as follows.
- (2) In Article 6 (conditions), after paragraph (3) insert—
 - “(3A) Paragraphs (1) and (2) are subject to Article 6A (conditions for storage etc of certain firearms) and regulations under that Article.”
- (3) After Article 6 insert—

“6A Conditions for storage etc of certain firearms

- (1) This Article applies to a firearm if it is a rifle from which a shot, bullet or other missile, with kinetic energy of more than 13,600 joules at the muzzle of the weapon, can be discharged.
- (2) The Department of Justice must by regulations prescribe conditions—
 - (a) subject to which a firearm certificate relating to a firearm to which this Article applies must be granted, and
 - (b) which impose requirements as to the storage of a firearm to which this Article applies and as to the security measures to be taken when such a firearm is in transit.
- (3) If a firearm certificate is granted subject to conditions prescribed under paragraph (2), that certificate may not be varied so as to vary or revoke those conditions.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (4) Before making regulations under paragraph (2) the Department of Justice must consult such persons likely to be affected by the regulations as the Department considers appropriate.”
- (4) In Article 11 (variation of firearm certificate), after paragraph (1) insert—
- “(1A) Paragraph (1) is subject to Article 6A (conditions for storage etc of certain firearms) and regulations under that Article.”