1968 No. 1961 (S.177)

ARMS AND AMMUNITION

The Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1968

Made	2nd December 1968
Laid before Parliament	17th December 1968
Coming into Operation	1st January 1969

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 43 of the Firearms Act 1968(a) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following order:—

1. Section 32 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which makes payable a fee of 5s. 0d. for the grant, and 2s. 6d. for the renewal, replacement or variation, of firearm and shotgun certificates, and grants certain exemptions) shall be amended by the substitution, for subsection (1) of that section, of the following subsection:—

"(1) Subject to this Act, there shall be payable—

- (a) on the grant of a firearm certificate, a fee of £2 10s. 0d.;
- (b) on the renewal of a firearm certificate or on the replacement of such a certificate which has been lost or destroyed, a fee of £1 5s. 0d.;
- (c) on any variation of a firearm certificate (otherwise than when it is renewed or replaced at the same time) so as to increase the number of firearms to which the certificate relates, a fee of £1 5s. 0d.;
- (d) on the grant or renewal of a shotgun certificate, a fee of 15s. 0d.; and
- (e) on the replacement of a shotgun certificate which has been lost or destroyed, a fee of 7s. 6d.".

2. Section 32 of the Firearms Act 1968 shall be further amended by the insertion, after subsection (3) thereof, of the following subsection:—

"(3A) No fee shall be payable on the grant, variation or renewal of a firearm certificate which relates solely to and, in the case of a variation, will continue when varied to relate solely to a signalling device which, when assembled and ready to fire, is not more than six inches long and which is designed to discharge a flare, or to ammunition for such a device.".

3. Section 35 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which relates to the fees payable for the registration and renewal of registration of a firearms dealer) shall be amended by the substitution:—

- (a) in subsection (1) thereof, of the words "a fee of £20" for the words "a fee of £5"; and
- (b) in subsection (3) thereof, of the words "a fee of £4" for the words "a fee of £1".

4. This order may be cited as the Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1968 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1969.

> William Ross, One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh. 2nd December 1968.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases in relation to Scotland the fees payable in respect of firearm and shotgun certificates, and also those payable on the registration or renewal of registration of a firearms dealer.

It also provides for no fee to be payable for a firearm certificate which relates only to a signalling device of the kind described in Article 2.