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VISITORS' PERMITS: FORMS OF APPLICATION AND PERMIT

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PART III

Firearms Acts 1968 to 1997

Visitor's Shot Gun Permit

Firearms Form 138

This permit is issued under section 17(2) of the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988. The permit allows a visitor to Great Britain to possess, purchase or acquire only those shot guns to which it relates for the period of its validity.

Name and address of holder:

Additional conditions may be added here by the chief officer of police.

Post Code

Date of birth (D/D / MM / YY)

Permit number

Valid from

to

Usual signature of holder

Stamp of issuing Police Force

Signature of Chief Officer of Police

Date

Part 1 Authority to possess the following shot guns

Gauge
or calibre

Maker's name

Type (eg over and under, side by side, etc)
including identification number if known

Part 2 Authority to purchase or acquire the following shot guns		
Gauge or calibre	Maker's name	Description (including serial number if known)

Part 3 Shot guns purchased or acquired by permit holder		
Gauge or calibre	Maker's name	Description (including serial number if known)

Notes

- 1 A visitor's shot gun permit is required for the possession, purchase or acquisition of a shot gun and should be produced when shot gun ammunition is purchased.
- 2 A shot gun is defined as:
 - a smooth bore gun (nothing on airgun) which-
 - i has a barrel length of no less than 60.96 cm (24 inches) and does not have any barrel with a bore exceeding 5.08 cm (two inches) in diameter;
 - ii either has a magazine or has a non-detachable magazine incapable of holding more than two cartridges; and
 - iii is not a semi-automatic.
 - Other smooth bore guns may require a visitor's firearms permit.
- 3 Any shot gun imported into or exported from Great Britain must be declared to HM Customs and Excise together with this permit at the time and place of import or export as the case may be. No such declaration need be made by permit holders where the shot gun is directly imported from, or exported to, another Member State of the European Union, although a Customs Officer may ask to see the permit.
- 4 The permit holder is requested to report the loss of this permit to the issuing police force at once.

5 Under section 32 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997 when a person sells, lets on hire, lends for more than 72 hours or gives a shot gun to another person who is not a registered firearms dealer or a person who is entitled to purchase or acquire the shot gun without holding a certificate-

- i the person receiving the shot gun must produce the certificate or permit entitling him/her to purchase or acquire the shot gun being transferred;
- ii the person selling, letting on hire, lending or giving the shot gun must comply with any instructions in the certificate or permit produced; and
- iii the final hand over of the shot gun must take place in person.

6 If you-

- i transfer a shot gun to anyone else including, lending it for more than 72 hours, selling it, hiring it out or making a gift of it;
- ii deactivate a shot gun on this permit or have it deactivated by someone else; or
- iii destroy a shot gun, lose a shot gun or have a shot gun stolen.

 the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997 requires you to notify the chief officer of police who issued your permit within 7 days of the transaction by registered post or the recorded delivery service.

It is an offence for a person to fail to comply with these requirements.

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