

L.N. 75 of 2013**ARMS ACT
(CAP. 480)****Arms Licensing (Amendment) Regulations, 2013**

BY VIRTUE of the powers conferred by article 65 of the Arms Act, the Minister for Home Affairs has made the following regulations:-

Citation.

1. The title of these regulations is the Arms Licensing (Amendment) Regulations, 2013, and these regulations shall be read and construed as one with the Arms Licensing Regulations, hereinafter referred to as "the principal regulations".

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Amends
regulation 7 of
the principal
regulations.

2. Regulation 7 of the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) the present provision shall be renumbered as sub-regulation (1) thereof and in the said sub-regulation (1):

(i) paragraph (a) thereof shall be substituted by the following:

"(a) arms described under Schedule I of the Act which are antique, historical, rare or artistic;"

(ii) paragraph (b) thereof shall be substituted by the following:

"(b) arms described under Schedule II;" and

(iii) paragraph (c) thereof shall be deleted;

(b) immediately after paragraph (e) of sub-regulation (1) thereof, as renumbered, there shall be added the following new sub-regulation:

"(2) Any person who is in possession of this licence as well as a Target Shooter Licence A issued under Part III of these regulations is entitled to carry to a licensed range and use for target shooting activities any Schedule II firearm held under the Collector Licence A."

3. Sub-regulation (1) of regulation 17 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

Amends regulation 17 of the principal regulations.

"(1) Any person who intends to acquire and keep a firearm to actively pursue the sport of target shooting as is referred to in regulation 20(a) and (d) may apply to the Commissioner for a licence under this regulation to be known as a "Target Shooter Licence A"."

4. Immediately after paragraph (e) of sub-regulation (1) of regulation 21 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following new paragraph:

Amends regulation 21 of the principal regulations.

"(f) be in possession of a policy of insurance for third party risks."

5. Sub-regulation (2) of regulation 23 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

Amends regulation 23 of the principal regulations.

"(2) Any person who intends to acquire and keep a firearm to actively pursue the sport of target shooting as is referred to in regulation 26(a) and (d) may apply to the Commissioner for a licence under this regulation to be known as a "Target Shooter Licence B"."

6. Immediately after paragraph (e) of regulation 27 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following new paragraph:

Amends regulation 27 of the principal regulations.

"(f) be in possession of a policy of insurance for third party risks."

7. Regulation 28 of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

Substitutes regulation 28 of the principal regulations.

"28. (1) In the case of persons who are in possession of a valid Target Shooting Licence A and, or B, the Commissioner may issue a Target Shooting Licence B (Airgun) to such persons, without any further formality.

(2) In the case of persons who are in possession of a valid hunting licence, the Commissioner may issue a Target Shooting Licence B to such persons for the practice of clay pigeon target shooting only, without any further formality:

Provided that if the licensee ceases to practice hunting, the licensee shall obtain a clay pigeon club endorsement as a target shooting practising member before the renewal of his licence."

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Amends regulation 47 of the principal regulations.

8. Immediately after paragraph (e) of regulation 47 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following new paragraph:

"(f) be in possession of a policy of insurance for third party risks.",

Amends regulation 59 of the principal regulations.

9. Regulation 59 of the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) paragraph (a) thereof shall be substituted by the following:

"(a) ensure that all shooting events, except airgun and clay pigeon shooting events, are held under the supervision of an authorised range conducting officer. In the case of airgun and clay pigeon shooting events, these shall be held under the supervision of at least one Target Shooter licensed under Part III and, or IV of these regulations, delegated as a safety officer;" and

(b) paragraph (b) thereof shall be substituted by the following:

"(b) ensure that minors or unlicensed persons shall only take part in any form of shooting event in the case where that shooting is at all times conducted under the supervision of an authorised range conducting officer and provided that such minors or persons submit a document of identification and attend a firearms safety briefing before each shooting event."

Substitutes the heading of Part XIV of the principal regulations.

10. The heading in Part XIV of the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

"Ad Hoc Events".

Renumbers Part XV of the principal regulations.

11. Part XV of the principal regulations shall be renumbered as Part XVI thereof.

Renumbers regulations 83 to 86 of the principal regulations.

12. Regulations 83 to 86 of the principal regulations shall be renumbered as regulations 89 to 92 respectively

Adds new Part and new regulations to the principal regulations.

13. Immediately after regulation 82 of the principal regulations, there shall be added the following Part and regulations:

"PART XIV

Film Armourer Permit

Definitions.

83. In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires:

"applicant" means an applicant for a licence under this Part. An applicant, for the purposes of this Part, shall be a person in possession of the required qualifications or a group of persons who are collectively in possession of the required qualifications;

"licence" means the Film Armourer Licence referred to in regulation 84;

"licensee" means a person or group of persons who hold a licence under this Part;

"qualifications", for the purposes of this Part, mean the possession of a Collector Licence in accordance with Part I of these regulations, a Target Shooter Licence in accordance with Part III or IV of these regulations and an Arms Dealer Licence in accordance with Part V of these regulations.

Film Armourer Licence.

84. Any person who intends to pursue the activity of Film Armourer may apply to the Commissioner for a Film Armourer Licence under this Part.

Functions of the Board concerning applications for Film Armourer Licence.

85. The Board shall:

(a) interview the applicant in order to establish his knowledge of arms, the provisions of the Act and of the regulations made thereunder, and the safe handling and keeping of arms;

(b) ensure that the applicant is aware of his responsibilities under the Act and that he has the means to keep the arms in a safe and secure manner;

(c) notify the Commissioner of its recommendation within one month from the date on which the application was filed;

(d) periodically re-assess licensees to ensure that licence conditions are still being met.

Notification of
Commissioner's
decision on
application for
Film Armourer
Licence.

86. The Commissioner shall notify the applicant of his decision within one month from receiving the Board's recommendation and shall issue the licence where his decision is in favour of granting such a licence.

Rights granted
by the Film
Armourer
Licence.

87. By virtue of the licence granted under this Part the licensee shall be entitled to pursue the activity of Film Armourer in the course of film productions.

Obligations of
holder of Film
Armourer
Licence.

88. The licensee, whilst fully complying with all pertinent licence conditions under other Parts of these regulations, shall:

(a) ensure that only blank charges or blank ammunition may be fired during a film armourer activity;

(b) inform the Commissioner of Police of the time, date and venue of the intended activity at least fifteen days before the activity; and

(c) abide by any other condition stipulated by the Commissioner of Police in the permit, including, if necessary, that a ballistics officer be present during the activity."

