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**FIREARMS****Prescribed Forms**

REGULATIONS, DATED 21ST NOVEMBER 1973, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTIONS 28 AND 49 OF THE FIREARMS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969.

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 28 and 49 of the Firearms Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(a) and by section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(b) and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf I hereby make the following Regulations:—

*Citation and commencement*

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1973 and subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) shall come into operation on 30th November 1973.

(2) Regulation 5 shall come into operation on 1st January 1974.

*Interpretation*

2. In these Regulations—

“firearms dealer” has the same meaning as that assigned to it in section 50(1) of the principal Act;

“the principal Act” means the Firearms Act (Northern Ireland) 1969.

*Application for registration as a firearms dealer*

3. Any person applying under section 28(3) or, as the case may be, section 28(5)(b) of the principal Act to be registered as a firearms dealer, or to renew such registration, shall furnish such particulars as are prescribed in the form set out in Schedule 1.

*The register of firearms dealers*

4. The register of firearms dealers to be kept by the Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabulary by virtue of section 28(1) of the principal Act shall be in the form set out in Schedule 2.

*Register of transactions*

5. Any person registered as a firearms dealer shall keep a register of transactions in the form set out in Schedule 3 and shall comply with the instructions to dealers as set out in that Schedule.

*Revocations*

6.—(1) Rules 5 and 6 of the Rules made by the Minister of Home Affairs and dated the 12th day of February 1922(c) are hereby revoked.

(2) Rule 7 of the Rules made by the Minister of Home Affairs and dated the 12th day of February 1922 and Regulation 6 and Part IV of the Schedule of the Firearms (Prescribed Forms) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1969(d) are revoked from 1st January 1974.

Dated this 21st day of November 1973.

*W. S. I. Whitelaw,*  
One of Her Majesty's Principal  
Secretaries of State.

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 3

Form of Application for registration as a firearms dealer, or the renewal of registration as a firearms dealer

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS A FIREARMS DEALER

Certificate of Registration No. FD ( )

WARNING: It is an offence for any person to make any Statement, which he knows to be false for the purpose of procuring the registration of himself or any other person as a firearms dealer.

- 1. Surname..... Christian name(s).....
2. Date and place of birth .....
3. (a) Home Address.....
(b) Previous addresses over the past five years.....
4. Business address.....
5. Name under which business is operated (if applicable).....
6. Nature of firearms dealing being\*/to be carried on.....
7. Other business, if any, which is\*/will be carried on at the premises named at (3).....
8. Does any business carried on at any address other than that named at (3) include firearms dealing?.....
9. (a) Have you ever been convicted of any offence?.....
(b) If "Yes" give details.....
10. (a) Give full details of strong room or secure store accommodation provided\*/to be provided for storage of firearms and ammunition.....
(b) Give full details of internal and external alarm systems provided\*/ to be provided .....
(c) Give full details of any other security measures provided\*/to be provided at place of business for storage of firearms and ammunition.....

\*Delete as applicable.

**Details of transactions for the 12-month period ending 30th November 19**

[To be completed only when application is being made for re-registration]

Type	Firearms, repaired	Firearms, ammunition purchased	Firearms, ammunition sold	Firearms, ammunition in stock
Pistols/Revolvers . . .				
Rifles . . . . .				
Shotguns . . .				
Air weapons . . . . .				
Ammunition (.22 calibre) . . .				
Ammunition (over .22 calibre) . . .				
Sporting cartridges . . .				
Pellets . . . . .				
Other ammunition . . .				

I hereby apply to be entered on the Register of Firearms Dealers, and declare that the information as given above is correct.

Signature of applicant..... Date.....

SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 4

Register of firearms dealers

Trading name:—

Surname ..... Christian name(s).....

Registration No. FD.....

Business address .....

Nature of firearms business\*.....

Type of firearms/ammunition authorised to deal in.....

Remarks: .....

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\*Whether manufacture, repair, test or sale (wholesale or retail).

## SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 5

**Register of transactions as a firearms dealer****PART I—FIREARMS****1. Instructions to dealers**

- (1) Entries must be made in the Register of Transactions in respect of every weapon acquired or disposed of in the course of business as a dealer, including weapons acquired temporarily for repair, test or proof.
  - (2) Where an entry is made in the "Acquisition" section, the disposal of that weapon must be indicated on the same line and sheet number in the "Disposal" section.
  - (3) The "Remarks" column should be used to explain an entry—e.g. insert "Repair", "Test", "Proof" if a weapon has been temporarily acquired for this reason; or to record a dealer's own particular stock record number or other such annotation.
  - (4) Each box in the Register must be completed, either with an entry, or neatly ruled through.
  - (5) The "Stockholding" section must be completed to show the dealer's position at 30th November each year.
  - (6) In case of any doubt or difficulty in the completion of the Register, dealers should consult the local police.
  - (7) When this Register is completed, any outstanding stock must be transferred to a new Register immediately and the old Register so noted in the "Disposal" section.
2. The Register shall be printed with a notice —
- (a) setting out the following provisions of the principal Act or the essential portions thereof, namely sections 35 and 36;
  - (b) warning the dealer that pages must not be removed or defaced.

3.

**REGISTER OF TRANSACTIONS***Firearms***Acquisition**

<i>Date of transaction or manufacture</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Serial No. or other distinguishing marks</i>	<i>Make</i>	<i>Acquired from</i>	<i>Firearm Certificate/ Permit No. Registered firearms dealer No.</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

## Disposal

<i>Date of disposal</i> (7)	<i>Sold or otherwise disposed of to</i> (8)	<i>Firearm Certificate / Permit No. / Registered firearms dealer No.</i> (9)	<i>Remarks</i> (10)	<i>Notified to the Chief Constable (date)</i> (11)

4.

STOCKHOLDING: 30TH NOVEMBER

<i>Date</i> (1)	<i>Type</i> (2)	<i>Serial No. or other distinguishing marks</i> (3)	<i>Make</i> (4)	<i>Date of acquisition</i> (5)

## PART II—AMMUNITION

1. *Instructions to dealers*

- (1) Entries must be made in this Register in respect of all ammunition (including pellets or slugs for air weapons) acquired or disposed of in the course of business as a dealer.
  - (2) Ammunition should be entered by type, using a separate sheet(s) for each, though pages may be sub-divided if sales are normally low in one particular type. Sporting cartridges of whatever gauge may be treated as one type.
  - (3) Where an entry is made in the "Acquisition" section, the disposal of the ammunition should be indicated in the "Disposal" section opposite, the reducing stock balance being shown in col. (8), and the unused sheets in the "Acquisition" section being neatly ruled through.
  - (4) The "Stockholding" section must be completed to show the position at 30th November each year.
  - (5) In the case of any doubt or difficulty in the completion of the Register, dealers should consult the local police.
  - (6) When this Register is completed any outstanding stock must be transferred to a new Register immediately and the old Register so noted in the "Disposal" section.
2. The Register shall be printed with a notice setting out the following provisions of the principal Act or the essential portions thereof, namely—
- (a) sections 35 and 36;
  - (b) warning the dealer that pages must not be removed or defaced.

## REGISTER OF TRANSACTIONS

3.

*Ammunition*

Type			
Acquisition			
<i>Date of manufacture or transaction</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Acquired from</i>	<i>Firearm Certificate/ Permit No. Registered firearms dealer No.</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

Disposal

<i>Date of disposal</i>  (5)	<i>Sold or otherwise disposed of to</i>  (6)	<i>Firearm Certificate/ Permit No. Registered firearms dealer No.</i>  (7)	<i>Balance in stock</i>  (8)

4.

STOCKHOLDING: 30TH NOVEMBER

<i>Date</i>  (1)	<i>Type</i>  (2)	<i>Quantity</i>  (3)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended only to indicate their general purport.)*

These Regulations prescribe—

- (a) the form of application to be used by persons desirous of being entered in the Register of Firearms Dealers, or of renewing such Registration; and
- (b) the form of Register of Firearms Dealers to be kept by the Chief Constable; and
- (c) the form of Register of Transactions to be kept by firearms dealers.