

Firearms and Ammunition Regulations

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1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the Firearms and Ammunition Regulations.

2. Application for licences for possession and dealer's licence

(1) An application under section 27(1) of the Ordinance (which under that section must be in the specified form) for—

(a) a licence for possession; or

(b) a dealer's licence,

must be accompanied by 2 full face passport-size photographs of the applicant. *(L.N. 146 of 2000)*

(2)-(4) *(Repealed L.N. 146 of 2000)*

(5) The Commissioner may require any applicant for a licence to furnish such information (other than that contained in the application form) or such explanation of information contained in the application form as the Commissioner thinks fit.

3. Application for an exemption under section 4(3) or a licence under section 30

An application to the Commissioner for an exemption under section 4(3) of the Ordinance or for a licence under section 30 of

the Ordinance must be in the specified form. If the Commissioner so requires, the application must be accompanied by such number of full face passport-size photographs of the applicant as specified by the Commissioner.

(L.N. 146 of 2000)

4. Commissioner may require applicants and holders of licences and exemptions to undergo tests

The Commissioner may require any applicant for a licence or for an exemption and any holder of a licence or an exemption to undergo—

- (a) a test in the safe use and handling of any arms or ammunition in respect of which the applicant seeks a licence or exemption; and
- (b) such other tests, including medical or psychiatric tests, as the Commissioner thinks fit.

4A. Requirement to undergo other tests

(1) The Commissioner may require—

- (a) a person seeking authorization as an arms instructor under section 12(2) of the Ordinance;
- (b) a person in respect of whom a licensee has made an application under section 12A(2) of the Ordinance for approval as an approved agent; or
- (c) a person who has applied for approval as a range officer under section 46C(1) of the Ordinance,

to undergo such tests or examinations as the Commissioner thinks fit, including medical and psychiatric tests, to satisfy himself as to whether or not that person possesses the necessary qualifications and competence required for that purpose.

- (2) The Commissioner may require any person mentioned in paragraph (1) to submit any document or provide any information relating to the person's application as the Commissioner thinks fit.

(L.N. 146 of 2000)

4B. Criteria for shooting clubs to operate shooting ranges

- (1) The Commissioner may determine the criteria for the operation by a shooting club, of a shooting range, armoury or facility used in connection with the shooting range (*connected facility*).
- (2) Without limiting paragraph (1), the Commissioner may, for the purposes of that paragraph, do all or any of the following when a responsible officer applies for a licence to be held on behalf of a shooting club—
- (a) verify whether the premises to be used for the shooting range, armoury and connected facility comply with other applicable statutory requirements including those relating to structure, fire hazards and land use;
 - (b) require the responsible officer to satisfy the Commissioner that effective means exist within the internal operation of the shooting club to ensure that users of the shooting range, armoury or connected facility observe requirements designed to ensure safety and security in the use of the shooting range, armoury or connected facility;
 - (c) satisfy himself that the shooting range, armoury or connected facility—
 - (i) is located so as not to constitute a safety hazard or a substantial inconvenience to any person; or

- (ii) is designed so as not to constitute a safety hazard or a substantial inconvenience to other persons or premises in its vicinity;
- (d) satisfy himself that the shooting range, armoury or connected facility has features designed to prevent access by unauthorized persons and other measures to ensure its security;
- (e) satisfy himself that there are features in the design of the shooting range, armoury or connected facility to ensure the safety of persons or that other safety precautions are in place.

(L.N. 146 of 2000)

4C. Courses of instruction

The Commissioner may determine the contents and extent of any course on the use and handling of arms and ammunition, to be undertaken for the purposes of section 11(2)(aa)(ii) of the Ordinance, and for that purpose may issue guidelines relating to the conduct of such courses and the requirements as to attendance, and the tests to be undertaken by participants of the courses.

(L.N. 146 of 2000)

5. Commissioner may require applicant or licensee to submit arms or ammunition for inspection, etc.

- (1) The Commissioner may require any applicant for a licence or an exemption to submit to him for inspection or testing the arms or ammunition, or any part thereof, in respect of which the application is being made.
- (2) Where a licence or an exemption has been granted, the Commissioner may, at any time during the currency of the licence or exemption, require the holder to submit to him

for inspection or testing the arms or ammunition, or any part thereof, to which the licence or exemption relates.

- (3) Any person who without reasonable excuse fails to comply with a requirement under paragraph (1) or (2) commits an offence and is liable to a fine at level 3. *(L.N. 146 of 2000)*

6. Prohibition on grant of licences, etc. to people aged under 18

No licence or exemption shall be granted to any person under the age of 18 years.

7-8. *(Repealed L.N. 146 of 2000)*

9. Renewal of licences

An application for the renewal of a licence under section 32 of the Ordinance (which under that section must be in the specified form), if the Commissioner so requires, must be accompanied by such number of full face passport-size photographs of the applicant as specified by the Commissioner.

(L.N. 146 of 2000)

10. Fees

The fee payable for—

- (a) the issue of a licence;
- (b) the renewal of a licence;
- (c) the grant of an exemption; or
- (d) the amendment of a licence or any condition in respect thereof,

shall be the fee prescribed in Schedule 2.

(L.N. 146 of 2000; E.R. 2 of 2012)

11. Replacement of a licence or exemption

The Commissioner shall, if he is satisfied that a licence or exemption has been accidentally lost, destroyed or defaced, and on payment of the fee prescribed in Schedule 2, issue a duplicate of the licence or exemption to the licensee or holder of the exemption.

(E.R. 2 of 2012)

12-13. *(Repealed L.N. 146 of 2000)*

14. Prescribed period for section 46(5)

The period prescribed for the purposes of section 46(5) of the Ordinance is 3 months.

First Schedule

(Repealed L.N. 146 of 2000)

Schedule 2

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Fees

Item	Particulars	Fee
		\$
1.	For an exemption under section 4(3) of the Ordinance ...	620
2.	For the issue or the renewal of a licence for possession—	
	(a) <i>(Repealed L.N. 146 of 2000)</i>	
	(b) granted to a security guard	275
	(c) subject to item 2A, in any other case <i>(L.N. 146 of 2000)</i>	2,370
2A.	For the issue of a licence for possession or a dealer's licence granted for a limited purpose under section 30(1) of the Ordinance <i>(L.N. 146 of 2000)</i>	105
3.	For the issue or the renewal of a dealer's licence—	
	(a) restricted to a prescribed class or description of arms or ammunition or both (if not falling within paragraph (b))	5,650
	(b) restricted to used cartridge cases, used shot, used bullets, used missiles or parts of any of those articles	5,460
	(c) subject to item 2A, in any other case <i>(L.N. 146 of 2000)</i>	12,850

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Item	Particulars	Fee
		\$
4.	For the amendment of a licence or a condition thereof ..	105
5.	For the replacement of a licence or an exemption	95
	<i>(L.N. 67 of 1991; L.N. 227 of 1994; 97 of 1994 s. 34; L.N. 146 of 1995; L.N. 331 of 2000; L.N. 37 of 2006; L.N. 128 of 2008; L.N. 65 of 2012; L.N. 78 of 2014; E.R. 5 of 2018)</i>	