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## THE ARMS REGULATIONS 1959, AMENDMENT NO. 6

# ARTHUR PORRITT, Governor-General ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government House at Wellington this 23rd day of September 1968

#### Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL

Pursuant to the Arms Act 1958, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, hereby makes the following regulations.

### REGULATIONS

- 1. Title and commencement—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Arms Regulations 1959, Amendment No. 6, and shall be read together with and deemed part of the Arms Regulations 1959\* (hereinafter referred to as the principal regulations).
- (2) These regulations shall come into force on the seventh day after the date of their notification in the *Gazette*.
- 2. Permit to procure shotgun—Regulation 12 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by revoking paragraph (a) of subclause (8) (as added by regulation 2 of the Arms Regulations 1959, Amendment No. 4).
- 3. Issue of permit to procure firearm—Regulation 14 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by adding, as subclause (2), the following subclause:
- "(2) No member of the Police shall issue any such permit unless he is satisfied—
  - "(a) That the applicant is a fit and proper person to be in possession of the firearm; and

\*S.R. 1959/5 Amendment No. 1: (Revoked by S.R. 1962/109) Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1962/109 Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1964/32 Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1966/181 Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1968/12

- "(b) In the case of an application made after the 31st day of August 1969, that the applicant is able to handle the firearm safely: "Provided that this paragraph shall not apply if the applicant does not propose to use the firearm."
- 4. Pistols—Regulation 16 of the principal regulations is hereby amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of subclause (2) (as substituted by regulation 3 (1) of the Arms Regulations 1959, Amendment No. 4) the word "Shotguns", and substituting the words "Any shotgun (not being a pistol)".

P. J. BROOKS, Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations amend the Arms Regulations 1959.

As a result of the revocation effected by regulation 2 any person (other than a licensed dealer) who wishes to obtain possession of a shotgun will need to obtain a permit to procure.

Regulation 3 provides that no permit to procure a firearm of any type shall be issued by any member of the Police unless that member is satisfied—

(a) That the applicant is a fit and proper person to be in possession of the fire-

arm; and

(b) In the case of an application made after 31 August 1969, that the applicant is able to handle the firearm safely. This paragraph will not apply if the

applicant does not propose to use the firearm.

Regulation 4 amends regulation 16 of the principal regulations so as to make it quite clear that the general exemption from registration which applies to shotguns does not apply to shotgun pistols.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936. Date of notification in Gazette: 26 September 1968. These regulations are administered in the Police Department.