

# **Arms and Explosives (Arms) Rules**

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ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES (ARMS) RULES

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PART I

PRELIMINARY

**Citation**

1. These Rules may be cited as the Arms and Explosives (Arms) Rules.

**General provisions on licences**

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), every application for a licence under these Rules shall be made using the electronic application service provided by the Licensing Officer.

(2) In the event of a malfunction or failure, or an imminent malfunction or failure, of the electronic application service, an application for a licence under these Rules shall be made in such written form as the Licensing Officer may require.

(3) The Licensing Officer may reject any application not made in accordance with these Rules.

PART II

POSSESSION

**Application for licence to possess arms**

3. Any person desiring to possess any arms shall apply to the Licensing Officer for a licence to possess the arms.

**Validity of licence to possess arms**

4.—(1) The Licensing Officer may issue, subject to such conditions as he sees fit, a licence authorising the licensee to possess or control any arms or class or category of arms described in the licence.

(2) *[Deleted by S 799/2020 wef 21/09/2020]*

(3) Subject to paragraph (4), every licence to possess arms is valid for a period of not more than 2 years after the date of issue, or such shorter period as the Licensing Officer may determine.

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(4) Where a person who is licensed to possess any arms, subsequently acquires any other arms, the term of any licence to possess those other arms shall be concurrent with the term of the licence to possess the first-mentioned arms if of the same category as those other arms.

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(5) The categories of arms for which a licence to possess may be issued are as follows:

- (a) a firearm not in sub-paragraph (b);
- (b) an air gun or a pistol or any arms that can propel, or is designed to propel, a projectile by means other than an explosive.

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5. *[Deleted by S 799/2020 wef 21/09/2020]*

### **Register to be kept by Licensing Officer**

6. The Licensing Officer shall keep a register, in such form as he thinks fit, in which shall be entered the following particulars of all arms for which a licence to possess has been issued:

- (a) the date of issue of the licence;
- (b) the name of the licensee;
- (c) the address of the licensee;
- (d) the nature of the arms licensed;
- (e) the identification marks on the arms; and
- (f) the particulars of any condition of the licence.

### **Mark to be placed on every arm**

7. The Licensing Officer shall cause an indelible distinguishing mark to be placed on every arm for which he issues a possession licence and which is not already indelibly marked with some sufficiently distinguishing mark or number.

### PART III

#### IMPORTATION

##### **Application by licensed dealer for licence to import arms**

8.—(1) Any licensed dealer desiring to import any arms shall, before importing, apply to the Licensing Officer for a licence to import the arms.

(2) An application under paragraph (1) shall specify the following information relating to the arms to be imported:

- (a) the number of arms;
- (b) the description of the arms;
- (c) the calibre of the arms;
- (d) the name of the manufacturer of the arms;
- (e) the name of the vessel in which the arms are being imported;
- (f) the probable date of the vessel's arrival; and
- (g) whether such arms are for stock or transshipment.

##### **Application by person other than licensed dealer for licence to import arms**

9.—(1) Any person, other than a licensed dealer, desiring to import arms shall, before importing, apply to the Licensing Officer for a licence to import the arms.

(2) An application under paragraph (1) shall specify the following information relating to the arms to be imported:

- (a) the particulars set out in rule 8(2)(a) to (f);
- (b) the name of the person for whose use the arms are being imported; and
- (c) whether the arms are to be kept in Singapore or sent elsewhere.

##### **Validity of licence to import arms**

10. A licence to import arms is valid for 30 days from the date of issue.

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