

Arms and Explosives (Government Arms Exhibitions — Exemption from Section 13) Order 2018

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ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES ACT (CHAPTER 13)

ARMS AND EXPLOSIVES (GOVERNMENT ARMS EXHIBITIONS — EXEMPTION FROM SECTION 13) ORDER 2018

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 44B of the Arms and Explosives Act, the Minister for Home Affairs makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order is the Arms and Explosives (Government Arms Exhibitions — Exemption from Section 13) Order 2018 and comes into operation on 24 May 2018.

Definitions

2. In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires —

“arms exhibition” means an event (such as an exhibition, or a fair or show) —

(a) involving either or both the temporary —

(i) display of arms or explosives, but not for purposes of sale, at any place (open to the air or otherwise); or

(ii) use of arms or explosives for a target shooting activity; and

(b) to which members of the public have access as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission, free or on payment of a fee,

whether or not the event is held in combination with other events;

“Government” includes any Ministry or department of the Government or an Organ of State, but not a Government school or Government-aided school;

“organiser”, in relation to an event, means a person who is responsible for promoting, conducting or holding the event and, where any person will receive revenue from the sale (if any) of tickets to the event, includes that person;

“target shooting activity” means the use of any arms to shoot shots, bullets or other missiles at a fixed or moving target;

“working day” means any day except a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday.

Exemption of organiser

3. A person organising an arms exhibition by or on behalf of the Government is exempt from section 13 of the Act for having in the person’s possession or under the person’s control any arms or explosives, where —

(a) the Licensing Officer has received, at least 14 working days (or such shorter notice where the Licensing Officer is reasonably satisfied that earlier notice could not have been given) before the start of the arms exhibition, a written notice about the event;

(b) for an arms exhibition involving the display of arms or explosives —

(i) the arms are de-activated to the satisfaction of the Licensing Officer and the explosives are inert; and

(ii) the arms or explosives are displayed only during the arms exhibition and within an area demarcated by the organiser for the display of those arms or explosives;

(c) for an arms exhibition involving a target shooting activity —