

FIREARMS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2004

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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

NOTES ON ARTICLES

Article 49 - Authorisation of firearms clubs

Provides for the authorisation of firearms clubs and places the responsibility for it on the Chief Constable rather than the Secretary of State as at present. It also introduces a fee for authorisation, as is the practice in Great Britain, and extends the period of authorisation from 3 to 5 years.