



# Firearms Act 1968

## 1968 CHAPTER 27

### PART II **E+W+S**

#### FIREARM AND SHOT GUN CERTIFICATES; REGISTRATION OF FIREARMS DEALERS

##### *Supplementary*

#### <sup>F1</sup>[42A Information as to transactions under visitors' permits. **E+W+S**

- (1) A person who sells, lets on hire, gives or lends a shot gun with a magazine to another person who—
- shows that he is entitled to purchase or acquire the weapon as the holder of a visitor's shot gun permit under section 17 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1988; but
  - fails to show that the purchase or acquisition falls within subsection (1A)(c) <sup>F2</sup>... of that section (temporary acquisitions <sup>F3</sup>...) or that he resides outside [<sup>F4</sup>Great Britain],
- shall, within forty-eight hours of the transaction, send [<sup>F5</sup>by permitted means] notice of the transaction to the chief officer of police who granted that permit.
- (2) A notice under subsection (1) above shall—
- contain a description of the shot gun (giving the identification number if any);
  - state the nature of the transaction (giving the name of the person to whom the gun has been sold, let on hire, given or lent, his address in [<sup>F6</sup>Great Britain] where he resides and the number and place of issue of his passport, if any); and
  - set out the particulars of any licence granted for the purposes of an order made under section 1 of the Import, Export and Customs Powers (Defence) Act 1939 by virtue of which the transaction is authorised under section 17 of that Act of 1988.

[ A notice is sent by permitted means for the purposes of subsection (1) if it is sent—

- <sup>F7</sup>(2A) (a) by registered post;
- (b) by the recorded delivery service; or

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(c) by permitted electronic means (see section 42B).]

(3) It is an offence for a person to fail to comply with this section.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 42A inserted (1.1.1993) by **S.I. 1992/2823, reg. 6(2)**
- F2** Words in s. 42A(1)(b) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of **The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/742), regs. 1, 59(9)(a)(i)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F3** Words in s. 42A(1)(b) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of **The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/742), regs. 1, 59(9)(a)(ii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F4** Words in s. 42A(1)(b) substituted (31.12.2020) by **The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/742), regs. 1, 59(9)(a)(iii)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F5** Words in s. 42A(1) substituted (1.4.2011) by **Firearms (Electronic Communications) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/713), arts. 1(1), 2(2)(a)**
- F6** Words in s. 42A(2)(b) substituted (31.12.2020) by **The Law Enforcement and Security (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/742), regs. 1, 59(9)(b)**; 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
- F7** S. 42A(2A) inserted (1.4.2011) by **Firearms (Electronic Communications) Order 2011 (S.I. 2011/713), arts. 1(1), 2(2)(b)**

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

- Act amended by [1997 c. 5 s. 12\(2\)](#) (This amendment not applied to legislation.gov.uk. S. 12 was repealed (17.12.1997) by 1997 c. 64, s. 2(7), Sch.; S.I. 1997/3114, art. 3, Sch. Pt. I)
- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

**Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):**

- s. 3A inserted by [2023 c. 49 s. 2](#)
- s. 11(3A)-(4A) substituted for s. 11(4) by [2023 c. 49 s. 1\(2\)](#)
- s. 51(2A) added by [1997 c. 48 s. 62\(1\)Sch. 1 para. 3](#)