

Offensive Weapons Act 2019

2019 CHAPTER 17

PART 6

FIREARMS

54 Prohibition of certain firearms etc: England and Wales and Scotland

- (1) The Firearms Act 1968 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 5 (weapons subject to general prohibition), in subsection (1), after paragraph (af) insert—
 - "(ag) any rifle with a chamber from which empty cartridge cases are extracted using—
 - (i) energy from propellant gas, or
 - (ii) energy imparted to a spring or other energy storage device by propellant gas,
 - other than a rifle which is chambered for .22 rim-fire cartridges;".
- (3) In section 5(1), for the "and" at the end of paragraph (b) substitute—
 - "(ba) any device (commonly known as a bump stock) which is designed or adapted so that—
 - (i) it is capable of forming part of or being added to a selfloading lethal barrelled weapon (as defined in section 57(1B) and (2A)), and
 - (ii) if it forms part of or is added to such a weapon, it increases the rate of fire of the weapon by using the recoil from the weapon to generate repeated pressure on the trigger; and".
- (4) In section 5(2), after "including," insert " in the case of weapons, any devices falling within subsection (1)(ba) of this section and, ".
- (5) In section 5(2A)(a), after "weapon" insert ", device ".

- (6) In section 51A(1)(a) (minimum sentences for certain offences under section 5), in each of sub-paragraphs (i) and (iii), after "(af)" insert ", (ag), (ba) ".
- (7) In Schedule 6 (prosecution and punishment of offences) in Part 1 (table of punishments)—
 - (a) in the entry for section 5(1)(a), (ab), (ab), (ac), (ad), (ae), (af) or (c), in the first column, after "(af)" insert ", (ag), (ba)",
 - (b) in the entry for section 19, in the third column, for "or (af)" substitute ", (af), (ag) or (ba)", and
 - (c) in the entry for section 20(1), in the third column, for "or (af)" substitute ", (af), (ag) or (ba) ".
- (8) The amendments made by subsection (6) apply only in relation to—
 - (a) an offence under section 5(1)(ag) or (ba) of the Firearms Act 1968 which is committed after the coming into force of subsection (6), and
 - (b) an offence under a provision listed in section 51A(1A) of that Act in respect of a firearm specified in section 5(1)(ag) or (ba) of that Act which is committed after the coming into force of subsection (6).

Commencement Information

II S. 54(1)(5)(7)(a) in force at Royal Assent, s. 54(2)-(4) in force for specified purposes at Royal Assent, see. s. 70(5)(c)(d)-(f)

Status:

Point in time view as at 16/05/2019. This version of this provision has been superseded.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Offensive Weapons Act 2019, Section 54.