

AIR WEAPON DEALERS

[The Firearms (Amendment) Rules 2007]

This fact sheet outlines the details needed to be recorded by registered firearms dealers who deal in airguns. This fact sheet covers the details applicable to air weapon transactions only. Different rules apply to shotguns and firearms.

Notes:

- ✤ In the rules "Air weapon includes any component of, or accessory to, an air weapon".
- The Home Office have advised that 'components' mean pressure bearing parts such as the barrel, cylinder or air reservoir/piston. Pressure bearing components should be recorded in the dealers register in the manner prescribed below.
- Screws, stocks, springs, and other parts that are not pressure bearing are not considered component parts.
- The Home Office have advised that "Accessory" means only sound moderators (silencers) only. These should also be recorded in the dealers register in the manner prescribed below.

1. Details to be recorded in the dealers register when selling air weapons

- The date of the transaction.
- The names and addresses of purchasers or the persons to whom airguns are transferred.
- The class or air weapon (e.g. air rifle, air gun or air pistol).
- The make, type or distinctive name or the air weapon.
- The calibre.
- The identification number or other distinguishing mark, if present.
- The maker's name, if known.

2. Details to be recorded in the dealers register when buying in air weapons

- The date of the transaction.
- The names and addresses of the sellers or person transferring the gun to the dealer.
- The class or air weapon (e.g. air rifle, air gun or air pistol).
- The make, type or distinctive name or the air weapon.
- The calibre.
- The identification number or other distinguishing mark, if present.
- The maker's name, if known.

3. Details to be recorded when dealer to dealer transfers are made

For incoming air weapons

- The quantities and description of air weapons purchased or acquired
- The names and addresses of the sellers or transferors and
- The dates of the several transactions.

For outgoing air weapons

- The quantities and description of air weapons sold or transferred
- The names and addresses of the purchasers or transferees
- The dates of the several transactions.

Notes: The above format only relates to dealer to dealer transfers. Single air guns or batches may be sent between dealers.

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