

No. 40 of 1964.

An Ordinance to amend the *Firearms Ordinance* 1956-1961.

[Reserved 26th August, 1964.]

[Assented to 3rd September, 1964.]*

BE it ordained by the Legislative Council for the Northern Territory of Australia, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Northern Territory (Administration) Act* 1910-1962, as follows:—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Firearms Ordinance* 1964. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Firearms Ordinance* 1956-1961 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Firearms Ordinance* 1956-1964.

2. This Ordinance shall come into operation on the day on which the *Social Welfare Ordinance* 1964 comes into operation. Commencement.

3. Section six of the Principal Ordinance is amended— Definitions.

(a) by omitting paragraph (c) of the definition of “firearm” and inserting in its stead the following paragraph:—

“ (c) a device from which for the time being a shot, bullet or other missile cannot be discharged because of—

(i) the absence or defect of one or more of its parts; or

(ii) some obstruction in the device, but which, if the part or parts were replaced, renewed or repaired, or the obstruction removed, would be capable of discharging a shot, bullet or other missile; ”; and

(b) by inserting, after the definition of "Registrar", the following definition:—

“ ‘Rifle Club’ means a rifle club established under the Australian Rifle Club Regulations under the *Defence Act* 1903-1956;”.

Registrar, &c.,
of firearms.

4. Section seven of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words "Deputy Commissioner" and inserting in their stead the word "Commissioner".

Registration of
firearms.

5. Section nine of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

(a) by omitting from sub-section (1.) the words "is a ward within the meaning of the *Welfare Ordinance* 1953-1955, is an aboriginal within the meaning of the *Aboriginals Ordinance* 1918-1954,"; and

(b) by omitting sub-section (2.).

Cancellation of
registration of
firearms.

6. Section ten of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting paragraphs (b) and (c) of sub-section (1.).

Application for
permit to
purchase or
hire a pistol
or high powered
firearm.

7. Section thirteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by inserting after paragraph (b) of sub-section (2.) the following paragraph:—

“(c) an applicant for a permit to purchase a high powered firearm is a person of or over the age of sixteen years and is a member of a Rifle Club,”.

Application for
pistol licence
or high powered
firearm licence
to be made to
Registrar.

8. Section nineteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting sub-paragraph (iv) of paragraph (a) of sub-section (2.).

Sale, &c., of
firearm cancels
its registration.

9.—(1.) Section thirty-seven A of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting sub-section (1.).

(2.) The amendment effected by the last preceding sub-section revives so much of regulation 6A. of the Firearms Regulations as ceased to be in force as a law of the Territory on the commencement of the *Firearms Ordinance* (No. 2) 1961.

Exemptions.

10. Section forty-four of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting from paragraph (b) of sub-section (1.) the words “, the property of the Commonwealth,” and the words “or pistol”.