



FIREARMS (MISCELLANEOUS) AMENDMENT ACT 1993

No. 13 of 1993

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No. 13 of 1993

An Act to amend the Firearms Act 1977.

[Assented to 25 March 1993]

The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows:

Short title

1. (1) This Act may be cited as the *Firearms (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 1993*.
- (2) The *Firearms Act 1977* is referred to in this Act as "the principal Act".

Commencement

2. This Act will come into operation on the day on which the *Firearms Act Amendment Act 1988* comes into operation.

Amendment of s. 5—Interpretation

3. Section 5 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by inserting before the definition of "ammunition" in subsection (1) the following definitions:

"air gun" means a firearm (other than a rifle or pistol) designed to fire shot, bullets or other projectiles by means of compressed air or other compressed gas and not by means of burning propellant:

"air rifle" means a rifle designed to be carried by hand and to fire shot, bullets or other projectiles by means of compressed air or other compressed gas and not by means of burning propellant;

(b) by striking out from the definition of "ammunition" in subsection (1) "cases, propellant, projectiles and any other components of such ammunition" and substituting "and propellant";

(c) by inserting after the definition of "owner" in subsection (1) the following definitions:

"paint-ball firearm" means an air gun designed to fire a projectile containing dye, paint or other marking substance:

“paint-ball operator” means a person or body who provides or arranges for the provision of grounds for use by participants in an organized activity involving the use of paint-ball firearms (but not involving the use of any other firearms):

“pistol” means a firearm the barrel of which is less than 400 millimetres in length and that is designed or adapted for aiming and firing from the hand and is reasonably capable of being carried concealed about the person;

(d) by inserting after the definition of “recognized firearms club” in subsection (1) the following definition:

“recognized paint-ball operator” means a paint-ball operator declared to be a recognized paint-ball operator by the Minister pursuant to this Act;

(e) by inserting after the definition of “the Registrar” in subsection (1) the following definition:

“restricted firearm” means a firearm of a type declared by regulation to be a restricted firearm;

(f) by striking out “reload” from the definition of “self loading firearm” in subsection (1) and substituting “rechamber”;

(g) by inserting in the definition of “silencer” in subsection (1) “or comprising part of” after “attached to”;

(h) by striking out from subsection (1) the definition of “special firearms permit”;

(i) by inserting after paragraph (a) of subsection (6) the following paragraph:

(ab) to the purchase or sale by a recognized paint-ball operator of ammunition suitable for use in paint-ball firearms;

and

(j) by inserting after subsection (6) the following subsections:

(7) For the purposes of this Act, any grounds provided or arranged to be provided by or on behalf of a recognized firearms club for use by members of the club will be taken to be grounds of the club.

(8) For the purposes of this Act, any grounds provided or arranged to be provided by or on behalf of a recognized paint-ball operator for use by participants in an organized activity involving the use of paint-ball firearms will be taken to be grounds of the operator.

Insertion of s. 5a

4. The following section is inserted after section 5 of the principal Act:

Crown not bound

5a. This Act does not apply to the Crown.

Amendment of s. 11—Possession and use of firearms

5. Section 11 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (b) of subsection (4) the following paragraph:

(ba) a person has possession of, or uses, a paint-ball firearm on grounds of a recognized paint-ball operator while participating in an organized activity involving the use of paint-ball firearms (but no other firearms);.

Amendment of s. 12—Application for firearms licence**6. Section 12 of the principal Act is amended—**

(a) by striking out subsection (3) and substituting the following subsection:

(3) Subject to subsection (4), an application for a firearms licence cannot validly be made—

(a) in the case of a firearms licence that authorizes possession of an air rifle or air gun-by a person under the age of 16;

(b) in any other case-by a person under the age of 18.;

(b) by striking out subsection (5) and substituting the following subsections:

(5) The Registrar must not grant an application for a firearms licence unless satisfied—

(a) as to the identity, age and address of the applicant;

and

(b) that the applicant intends using the firearm, or a firearm of the class, to which the licence relates for the purpose or purposes endorsed on the licence in relation to that firearm or firearms of that class.

(5a) The Registrar may refuse an application for a firearms licence if the applicant is not usually resident in the State.;

and

(c) by striking out paragraph (a) of subsection (7) and substituting the following paragraph:

(a) that the dangerous firearm will be used for a purpose authorized by the regulations.;

Amendment of s. 13—Provisions relating to firearms licence**7. Section 13 of the principal Act is amended—**

(a) by striking out subsection (7);

(b) by inserting in subsection (8) “on his or her own initiative or” after “Registrar may,”;

(c) by inserting in subsection (8) (a) “or restrict” after “extend”;

and

(d) by inserting after subsection (8) the following subsection:

(9) An alteration under subsection (8) relating to a licence does not operate until the Registrar has given the holder of the licence (either personally or by post) notice in writing of the alteration or the licence has been appropriately endorsed.

Amendment of s. 14—Purchase of firearms

8. Section 14 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (4) the following subsections:

(5) A person, other than a licensed dealer, who purchases at an auction a firearm (that is the subject of a permit granted under this Division authorizing the auctioneer to sell the firearm) without holding a permit granted by the Registrar authorizing purchase of that firearm commits an offence if he or she does not apply within 14 days after the auction for a permit under this Division approving the purchase of that firearm.

(6) If an application for a permit approving the purchase of a firearm at auction is refused under this Division, the licence of the applicant will be taken, for the purposes of this Act, not to authorize possession of that firearm.

(7) A person (whether a dealer or not) who sells a restricted firearm without holding a permit granted by the Registrar authorizing sale of that firearm is guilty of an offence.

Amendment of s. 15—Application for permit

9. Section 15 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out from subsection (1) “to purchase a firearm or to sell a firearm at auction” and substituting “authorizing or approving the purchase or sale of a firearm”;

(b) by striking out from subsection (3) “to purchase” and substituting “authorizing or approving the purchase of”;

(c) by inserting after subsection (4) the following subsection:

(4a) A permit authorizing or approving the purchase or sale of a restricted firearm will only be granted if, in the opinion of the Registrar, special circumstances exist justifying the granting of the permit.;

and

(d) by inserting in subsection (5) (c) “prescribed” after “same”.

Amendment of s. 17—Application for dealer’s licence

10. Section 17 of the principal Act is amended by striking out subsection (4) and substituting the following subsections:

(4) A dealer’s licence is subject to—

(a) a condition that the licensee must not deal in dangerous firearms;

(b) any conditions prescribed by the regulations;

(c) any conditions imposed by the Registrar with the approval of the consultative committee;

and

(d) any conditions imposed by the Registrar with the agreement of the holder of the licence.

(4a) The Registrar may impose licence conditions pursuant to subsection (4) on the grant or renewal of the licence or at any time during the term of the licence.

(4b) A licence condition imposed pursuant to subsection (4) (c) during the term of the licence does not operate until the Registrar has given the holder of the licence (either personally or by post) notice in writing of the condition.

(4c) The Registrar may, on his or her own initiative or on the application of the holder of a dealer’s licence, vary or revoke a licence condition.

(4d) A variation or revocation of a licence condition under subsection (4c) does not operate until the Registrar has given the holder of the licence (either personally or by post) notice in writing of the variation or revocation.

(4e) The Registrar cannot vary a licence condition on his or her initiative under subsection (4c) without the approval of the consultative committee.

Amendment of s. 20—Suspension or cancellation of licence

11. Section 20 of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out paragraph (b) and substituting the following paragraph:

(b) is, for any reason, not a fit and proper person to hold the licence,;

and

(b) by inserting after its present contents (now to be designated as subsection (1)) the following subsections:

(2) The Registrar may, by notice in writing served personally or by post on the holder of a licence, suspend the licence for a period not exceeding three months (or such longer period as is allowed in a particular case by the consultative committee) pending an investigation as to whether the licence should be cancelled under subsection (1).

(3) A notice served on the holder of a licence suspending or cancelling the licence under this section must set out the Registrar's reasons for the suspension or cancellation.

(4) The Registrar may, on his or her own initiative or on application by a person whose licence is suspended, revoke the suspension.

Insertion of s. 20a

12. The following section is inserted after section 20 of the principal Act:

Obligations on medical practitioners

20a. (1) Where a medical practitioner has reasonable cause to believe that—

(a) a patient whom he or she has examined is suffering from a physical or mental illness, disability or deficiency that is likely to make the possession of a firearm by the patient unsafe for the patient or any other person;

and

(b) the patient holds or intends applying for a firearms licence or possesses or intends to possess a firearm,

the medical practitioner has a duty to inform the Registrar in writing of the patient's name and address, the nature of the illness, disability or deficiency and the reason why, in the opinion of the practitioner, it is or would be unsafe for the patient to have possession of a firearm.

(2) Compliance by a medical practitioner with subsection (1) attracts no civil or criminal liability.

Insertion of s. 21ab

13. The following section is inserted after section 21a of the principal Act:

Return of licence to Registrar

21ab. (1) The former holder of a licence that has been suspended or cancelled who does not forthwith return the licence to the Registrar is guilty of an offence.

(2) The holder of a licence who does not return the licence to the Registrar in accordance with the directions of the Registrar in order for endorsements on the licence to be made or altered is guilty of an offence.

Amendment of s. 21b—Acquisition of ammunition

14. Section 21b of the principal Act is amended by inserting after paragraph (d) of subsection (6) the following paragraph:

(da) by a recognized paint-ball operator for distribution to participants in an organized activity involving the use of paint-ball firearms (but no other firearms) on grounds of a recognized paint-ball operator;.

Amendment of s. 21d—Appeals

15. Section 21d of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out from subsection (1) (a) “to purchase a firearm or to sell a firearm at auction” and substituting “authorizing or approving the purchase or sale of a firearm”;

(b) by inserting in subsection (1) (b) “or vary” after “impose”;

(c) by inserting in subsection (1) (c) “suspend or” after “to”;

(d) by inserting after paragraph (c) of subsection (1) the following paragraph:

(ca) to refuse to revoke a suspension of a licence;.

(e) by striking out “or” appearing between paragraphs (c) and (d);

and

(f) by inserting after paragraph (d) the following paragraphs:

(e) to refuse to approve grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator or to revoke such an approval;

or

(f) to impose conditions on an approval of grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator or to vary such conditions;.

Amendment of s. 22—Application of this Part

16. Section 22 of the principal Act is amended by striking out from paragraph (ca) “special firearms permit” and substituting “firearms licence that authorizes possession of the dangerous firearm”.

Amendment of s. 23—Duty to register firearms

17. Section 23 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after subsection (2) the following subsections:

(3) The owner of a firearm that is not registered in the name of the owner is guilty of an offence.

(4) It is a defence to a charge of an offence under subsection (3) if the defendant proves that ownership of the firearm passed to him or her not more than 14 days before the alleged date of the offence and that it was not reasonably practicable in the circumstances for the firearm to be registered in his or her name by the time of the alleged offence.

Amendment of s. 24—Registration of firearms

18. Section 24 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following subsection after subsection (2):

(3) If a person has ceased to be the owner of a firearm, registration of the firearm in that person's name is cancelled by registration of the firearm in the name of the subsequent owner.

Insertion of ss. 26b and 26c

19. The following sections are inserted after section 26a of the principal Act:

Recognized paint-ball operators

26b. (1) If the Minister is satisfied that a paint-ball operator conducts its affairs and activities in a responsible manner, the Minister must, on application by the operator for recognition, declare the operator to be a recognized paint-ball operator by notice in the *Gazette*.

(2) If the Minister refuses an application for recognition, the Minister must provide the applicant with a written statement setting out the reasons for the refusal.

(3) If at any time the Minister is satisfied that a recognized paint-ball operator has failed to comply with this Act or no longer conducts its affairs or activities in a responsible manner, the Minister may, by notice in the *Gazette*, revoke a declaration under subsection (1).

(4) Before revoking a declaration, the Minister must—

(a) give the operator at least two months written notice of the proposed revocation setting out the Minister's reasons for the proposed revocation;

and

(b) give the operator a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral submissions to the Minister in relation to the proposed revocation.

Approval of grounds of recognized firearms club or paint-ball operator

26c. (1) If any activity involving the use of a firearm takes place on grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator and those grounds are not approved under this section in relation to that activity, recognition of the club or operator under this Part is by force of this section revoked.

(2) If the Registrar is satisfied that the grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator are suitable for the purpose of the activities of the club or operator, the Registrar may, on the application of the club or operator, approve those grounds for use in connection with those activities.

(3) An approval under this section is subject to—

(a) any conditions prescribed by the regulations;

and

(b) any conditions imposed by the Registrar (which may include a condition limiting the periods during which the grounds may be used by the club or operator).

(4) The Registrar may impose conditions pursuant to subsection (3) on the approval of the grounds or subsequently.

(5) If the Registrar refuses an application for approval, the Registrar must provide the applicant with a written statement setting out the reasons for the refusal.

(6) If at any time the Registrar is satisfied that grounds approved under this section would not be approved if application for approval were made at that time or that a condition of the approval has been contravened, the Registrar may, by notice to the club or operator, revoke the approval.

(7) The Registrar may, on his or her own initiative or on application by a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator, vary or revoke conditions of an approval.

(8) Before revoking an approval or varying conditions of an approval, the Registrar must—

(a) give the club or operator at least two months written notice of the proposed revocation or variation setting out the Registrar's reasons for the proposed revocation or variation;

and

(b) give the club or operator a reasonable opportunity to make written or oral submissions to the Registrar in relation to the proposed revocation or variation.

(9) The Registrar, or a person authorized by the Registrar, may, for the purposes of determining an application for approval under this section, reviewing such an approval or determining whether conditions of approval are being or have been contravened, enter and inspect the grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator at any reasonable time.

Amendment of s. 29—Possession of silencer or magazine

20. Section 29 of the principal Act is amended by inserting after its present contents (now to be designated as subsection (1)) the following subsection:

(2) A person who has possession of a detachable magazine of more than five rounds capacity for a centre-fire self loading rifle or self loading shotgun is guilty of an offence unless—

(a) he or she has possession of the magazine—

(i) solely for the purpose of using it on the grounds of a recognized firearms club in the course of participating in activities conducted by the club;

(ii) solely for the purpose of inclusion in a collection of firearms in the defendant's possession;

(iii) solely for the purpose of using it pursuant to a permit granted by the Registrar;

or

(iv) for two or more of the purposes referred to in subparagraphs (i), (ii) or (iii) but not for any other purpose;

or

- (b) his or her possession of the magazine is permitted by regulation or by clause 7 of the schedule.

Substitution of s. 31a

21. Section 31a of the principal Act is repealed and the following section is substituted:

Period of grace, etc., on cancellation, suspension or refusal of licence or permit

31a. (1) Where—

- (a) a licence authorizing possession of a firearm is cancelled or suspended;
 - (b) the Registrar refuses to grant or renew such a licence;
 - (c) the Registrar refuses to grant a permit approving the purchase of a firearm;
- or
- (d) the registration of a firearm is cancelled,

the person who held or applied for the licence or permit or in whose name the firearm was registered (as the case may require) may, in order to dispose of the firearm, retain possession of it for one month.

(2) Where a licence authorizing possession of a firearm is suspended under this Act, the person who held the licence may retain the power of disposition over the firearm if—

- (a) the firearm is kept by a person who holds a dealer's licence or a person approved by the Registrar;

and

- (b) the person who held the licence does not have access to the firearm.

(3) A person referred to in this section who uses the firearm for any purpose before disposing of it in accordance with this section is guilty of an offence.

(4) A person who receives a firearm (the subject of a licence that is suspended) for the purpose of keeping it in accordance with subsection (2) and who does not forthwith notify the Registrar of that receipt is guilty of an offence.

Amendment of s. 32—Power to seize firearms or licence

22. Section 32 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting after paragraph (c) of subsection (1) the following paragraphs:

- (ca) continued possession of a firearm by a person would be likely to result in undue danger to life or property;
- (cb) a person has possession of a firearm contrary to the terms of an order under section 99a (1) (a) of the *Summary Procedure Act 1921*;

- (b) by inserting the following subsection after subsection (1):

(1a) If a member of the police force suspects on reasonable grounds that—

- (a) a person has possession of a licence authorizing possession of a firearm that has been seized under this section;
- (b) a person has possession of a licence contrary to the terms of an order under section 99a of the *Summary Procedure Act 1921*;
- (c) a person has possession of a licence that has been cancelled or suspended;
- (d) a person has possession of a licence for an illegal purpose;

or

(e) a person who has possession of a firearms licence is not a fit and proper person to have possession of the licence,

the member may require the person to deliver the licence to him or her forthwith and, if the person refuses or fails to comply with such a requirement, seize the licence.;

(c) by inserting in subsection (2) "or licence" after "firearm" twice occurring;

(d) by inserting in subsection (3) "or licence" after "firearm";

and

(e) by striking out from subsection (4) "firearm is seized" and substituting "firearm or licence is delivered or seized".

Insertion of s. 34aa

23. The following section is inserted after section 34 of the principal Act:

Return of licence that has been delivered or seized

34aa. Where a licence has been delivered to or seized by a member of the police force under this Part and the licence has not been suspended or cancelled, it must, subject to the order of any court, be dealt with as follows:

(a) if the firearm to which the licence relates has been seized—the licence must be returned to the holder on the return of the firearm to its owner;

(b) in any other case—the licence must be returned to the holder at the expiration of 14 days from the date of delivery or seizure.

Amendment of s. 34a—Forfeiture of firearms by court

24. Section 34a of the principal Act is amended—

(a) by striking out from subsection (1) "may make one or both" and substituting "must make one or more";

(b) by striking out paragraph (b) of subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:

(b) that a licence held by the convicted person is subject to specified conditions;

(c) that a licence held by the convicted person is suspended for a specified period or until further order;

(d) that a licence held by the convicted person is cancelled;

(e) that the convicted person is disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence for a specified period or until further order.;

(c) by striking out from subsection (2) "may make one or both" and substituting "must make one or more";

and

(d) by striking out paragraph (b) of subsection (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:

(b) that a licence held by the party is subject to specified conditions;

(c) that a licence held by the party is suspended for a specified period or until further order;

- (d) that a licence held by the party is cancelled;
- (e) that the party is disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence for a specified period or until further order.

Amendment of s. 36—Evidentiary provision

25. Section 36 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out paragraph (b) and the word “or” between paragraphs (b) and (c) and substituting the following paragraphs:

- (b) that a licence was endorsed with specified endorsements;
- (ba) that a licence was subject to specified conditions;
- (bb) that a licence was suspended or cancelled;
- (bc) that a person was disqualified from holding or obtaining a licence;
- (bd) that a person was or was not the holder of a permit;;

and

- (b) by inserting after paragraph (c) the following paragraphs:

- (d) that a person or body was or was not a firearms club or paint-ball operator;
- (e) that a firearms club or paint-ball operator was or was not a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator;
- (f) that the grounds of a recognized firearms club or recognized paint-ball operator were or were not approved under this Act;

or

- (g) that an approval under this Act was subject to specified conditions..

Amendment of s. 39—Regulations

26. Section 39 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting in subsection (2) (ad) “or ammunition generally, or any specified class of ammunition,” after “class of firearms,”;

- (b) by inserting after subparagraph (i) of subsection (2) (af) the following subparagraph:

- (ia) recognized paint-ball operators;;

and

- (c) by striking out paragraph (c) and substituting the following paragraph:

- (c) prescribe forms or empower the Registrar to approve forms to be used in connection with this Act;.

Amendment of schedule—Transitional Provisions

27. The schedule of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by striking out clauses 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and substituting the following clauses:

1. A person who was lawfully in possession of a firearm or firearms pursuant to a firearms licence at the commencement of the *Firearms Act Amendment Act 1988* and the *Firearms (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 1993* is entitled to continue in possession of, and to use, the firearm or firearms pursuant to the licence as if those amending Acts had not come into operation.

2. Clause 1 is subject to the power of the Registrar or a court to suspend or cancel a licence referred to in clause 1 pursuant to this Act as amended by the *Firearms Act Amendment Act 1988* and the *Firearms (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 1993*;

and

(b) by inserting after clause 6 the following clause:

7. A person who was, immediately before the commencement of the *Firearms (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 1993*, lawfully in possession of a detachable magazine of more than five rounds capacity for a centre-fire self loading rifle or self loading shotgun is entitled to retain possession of the magazine if, within three months after the commencement of the *Firearms (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 1993*, he or she gives notice in writing to the Registrar of that possession together with the following details:

(a) his or her name and address;

(b) the number of his or her firearms licence;

(c) a description of the magazine and the purposes for which it is possessed;

and

(d) any other information reasonably required by the Registrar.

SCHEDULE

Further Amendments to Principal Act

Provision Amended	How Amended
Long title	Delete "to repeal the <i>Firearms Act, 1958-1975</i> , and the <i>Pistol Licence Act, 1929-1975</i> ";.
Words of enactment	Delete these words and substitute "The Parliament of South Australia enacts as follows":.
s. 6 (1)	Delete "shall be" and substitute "is".
s. 6 (2)	Delete "his" and substitute "the Registrar's".
s. 6 (3)	Delete "himself".
s. 7 (1)	Recast this subsection to read as follows: (1) The Firearms Consultative Committee is established.
s. 7 (2)	Delete "shall consist" and substitute "consists".
s. 7 (2) (a)-(c)	Delete "shall" (wherever occurring) and substitute, in each case, "must".
s. 7 (4)	Delete "of whom he has been appointed a deputy shall have" and substitute "has".
s. 8 (1)	Delete "shall" (first occurring); Delete "shall" (second occurring) and substitute "may".
s. 8 (2)	Delete "shall be" and substitute "is".
s. 10 (1)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must"
s. 22	Delete "shall" and substitute "does".
s. 22 (c)	Delete "his".
s. 23 (1)	Delete "in his possession" and substitute "possession of"; Delete "shall be" and substitute "is".
s. 23 (2)	Delete "shall be" and substitute "is"; Delete "of this section"; After "his" insert "or her".
s. 24 (2)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 25 (1)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 25 (1) (a)	After "he" insert "or she".
s. 27 (1)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 27 (2)	Delete "he" and substitute "the Registrar".
s. 28 (1)	Delete "shall be" and substitute "is".
s. 28 (2)	Delete "shall be" and substitute "is"; Delete "of this section".
s. 30 (2)	After "he" insert "or she"; Delete "of this section".
s. 30 (3)	Delete "If any person fails" and substitute "A person who fails"; Delete "he shall be" and substitute "is".
s. 31 (2)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 32 (1) (c)	Recast this paragraph to read as follows: (c) a person who has possession of a firearm is not a fit and proper person to have possession of that firearm;
s. 32 (1)	Delete "he" and substitute "the member".

Provision Amended	How Amended
s. 32 (2) (a)	Delete "he" and substitute "the member".
s. 32 (2) (b)	Delete "he" and substitute "the member"; Delete "of having in his possession" and substitute "has possession of".
s. 32 (3)	Delete "he" and substitute "the member"; Delete "may be found" and substitute "there is".
s. 32 (4)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 34 (2)	Delete "of this section".
s. 34 (4)	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 35 (2)	Delete "shall be paid to the general revenue of the State" and substitute "must be paid into the Consolidated Account".
s. 36	Delete "shall" and substitute "must".
s. 38 (1)	Recast this subsection to read as follows: (1) Offences against this Act are summary offences.

In the name and on behalf of Her Majesty, I hereby assent to this Bill.

ROMA MITCHELL Governor