STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1969 No. 1453 (S.116)

ARMS AND AMMUNITION

The Firearms (Scotland) Rules 1969

Made - - - 1*st October* 1969

Coming into Operation 1*st November* 1969

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by sections 40(7), 53 and 55(1) of the Firearms Act 1968(a), I hereby make the following Rules :—

1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Firearms (Scotland) Rules 1969.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(b) applies for the interpretation of these rules as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) In these rules, "the Act" means the Firearms Act 1968 and a reference to a form includes a reference to any form to the like effect.

(4) These rules shall come into operation on 1st November 1969.

2. A shot gun certificate shall be granted or renewed subject to the following conditions, and no others, that is to say :—

(i) the holder must, on receipt of the certificate, sign it in ink with his usual signature ;

(ii) the holder of the certificate must inform at once the chief officer of police by whom it was granted of the theft or loss in Great Britain of any shot gun in his possession.

3. Subject to rule 7 of these rules, an application for the grant of a shot gun certificate shall be in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 1 to these Rules.

4.—(1) Subject to paragraph (3) of this rule, the information given by an applicant in answer to the questions numbered 1 to 10 in the form set out as aforesaid shall be verified by the signed statement of a person who satisfies the requirements of paragraph (2) of this rule, that that information is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, correct.

(2) To satisfy the requirements of this paragraph a person must not be a member of the applicant's family, and must be—

(*a*) a British subject ; and

(*b*) a member of Parliament, justice of the peace, minister of religion, doctor, lawyer, bank officer or person of similar standing ;

and have known the applicant personally for at least two years.

(3) This rule does not apply in the case of an applicant who holds a firearm certificate which is for the time being in force.

(a) 1968 c. 27. (b) 1889 c. 63.

5. Subject to rule 7 of these rules, an application for the renewal of a shot gun certificate shall be in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 1 to the rules, and shall be accompanied by the certificate to be renewed if it is available.

6. Subject to rule 7 of these rules, a shot gun certificate, whether it is issued by way of grant or of renewal, shall be in the form set out in Part III of Schedule 1 to these rules.

7. A person who is ordinarily resident outside Great Britain, or has been so resident at any time during the two years ending with the date of his application, may apply, in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 2 to these rules, for the grant of a shot gun certificate under this rule (hereafter in these rules referred to as a visitor's shot gun certificate) or for the renewal of such a certificate.

8.—(1) The information given by an applicant in answer to the questions numbered 1 to 9 in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 2 to these rules shall be verified by the signed statement of a person who satisfies the requirements of paragraph (2) of this rule that that information is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, correct.

(2) To satisfy the requirements of this paragraph a person must not be a member of the applicant's family, and must be a member of Parliament, justice of the peace, minister of religion, doctor, lawyer, bank officer or person of similar standing, and know the applicant personally.

9.—(1) A visitor's shot gun certificate, whether it is issued by way of grant or of renewal, shall be in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 2 to these rules.

(2) A visitor's shot gun certificate shall, unless previously revoked or cancelled, continue in force for the permitted period from the date when it was granted or last renewed.

(3) The permitted period for the purposes of this rule is—

(*a*) three years in any case where it appears to the chief officer of police, at the time the certificate is issued, that the applicant expects to remain in Great Britain for more than six months ; and

(*b*) in any other case, six months.

10. The forms set out in Schedule 3 to these rules shall be used for permits issued in respect of shot guns under sections 7(1) and 9(2) of the Act, respectively.

11. A firearm certificate shall be granted or renewed subject to the following conditions (whether or not in addition to any other conditions), that is to say :—

(i) the holder must, on receipt of the certificate, sign it in ink with his usual signature ;

(ii) the firearms and ammunition to which the certificate relates must at all times when not in actual use be kept in a secure place with a view to preventing access to them by unauthorised persons ;

(iii) the holder must inform at once the chief officer of police by whom the certificate was granted of the theft or loss in Great Britain of any firearm to which it relates;

(iv) the holder must, without undue delay, inform the chief officer of police by whom the certificate was granted of any change in his permanent address.

12. An application for the grant, renewal or variation of a firearm certificate shall be in the form set out in Schedule 4 to these rules.

13. A firearm certificate shall be in the form set out in Schedule 5 to these rules.

14. Subject to rule 10 of these rules, the forms set out in Schedule 6 to these rules shall be used for permits issued under sections 7(1), 9(2) and 13(1) of the Act, respectively.

15. An application under section 33 of the Act for registration as a firearms dealer, or for a new certificate of registration as a firearms dealer, shall be in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 7 to these rules.

16. A notification under section 37 of the Act (that is to say, a notification that a person registered as a firearms dealer proposes to carry on business as such at a place of business not yet entered in the register) shall be in the form set out in Part II of Schedule 7 to these rules.

17. The register to be kept by a chief officer of police under section 33 of the Act shall be in the form set out in Schedule 8 to these rules.

18. The register to be kept under section 40(1) of the Act by a person who by way of trade or business manufactures, sells or transfers firearms or ammunition (being firearms or ammunition within the meaning of that subsection) shall be in the form set out in Part I of Schedule 9 to these rules, and the provisions of Part II of that Schedule shall have effect in relation to the manner in which a register in that form should be kept.

19. For paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to the Act there shall be substituted the following paragraph:—

"4. The quantities and description of firearms and ammunition sold or transferred with the names and addresses of the purchasers or transferees and (except in cases where the purchaser or transferee is a registered dealer) the areas in which the firearm certificates were issued, and the dates of the several transactions."

20.—(1) The rules specified in Schedule 10 to these rules are hereby revoked.

(2) Nothing in this rule affects the validity of anything done or any document issued before the coming into operation of these rules.

William Ross,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
1st October 1969.

SCHEDULE 1

Rules 3 and 4. PART I

Form of application for the grant of a Shot Gun Certificate

1. Name of applicant..... .....
(Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) Initials Surname

2. Full postal address..... 3. Date of birth.....

4. Nationality ..... 5. Place of birth.....

6. Height..... 7. If married woman, surname before marriage.....

8. If the address at 2 is not your permanent one, give permanent address below:

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9. If you have lived at other addresses during the last 5 years, give them below:

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10. Business address.....

11. Do you suffer from any form of mental disorder or defect? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

12. Have you been convicted of ANY offence other than minor traffic offences? YES/NO

If YES, give details:

13. I hereby apply to the chief officer of police for a shot gun certificate and I declare that the statements made on this form are true.

Date.....Usual signature of applicant.....

If the applicant is under 17 years of age, signature of parent or guardian

.....

14. COUNTERSIGNATURE

(*Not required where applicant already holds a firearm certificate*)

I certify that the applicant.....has been known personally to me for.....years and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the answers given to questions 1 to 10 above are correct. I am a British subject.

Profession or occupation.....Signed.....

Address .....

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15. FULL name of applicant.....
(State Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) Forenames Surname

16. Do you hold a firearm certificate? YES/NO
If YES, give: Number .....
Date of issue.....
Place of issue.....

PART II Rule 5.

Form of application for the renewal of a Shot Gun Certificate

Name and address of applicant

1. Nationality .....
2. Height .....
3. Business address.....
.....
.....
4. Permanent address if different from 10
.....
.....
.....

5. Details of shot gun certificate to be renewed:
Number..... Valid from.....until.....
Issuing Authority.....

6. Do you suffer from any form of mental disorder or defect? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

7. Have you been convicted of ANY offence since your last certificate was issued other than minor traffic offences? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

8. I hereby apply to the chief officer of police for the renewal of the shot gun certificate specified above, and I declare that the statements made on this form are true.
Date.....Usual signature of applicant.....
If the applicant is under 17 years of age, signature of parent or guardian
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9. FULL name of applicant.....
(State Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) Forenames Surnames

10. Full postal address.....

11. Do you hold a firearm certificate? YES/NO
If YES, give: Number .....
Date of issue.....
Place of issue.....

PART III Rule 6.

Form of ordinary Shot Gun Certificate

(*Outside*)

SHOT GUN CERTIFICATE

This certificate is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. The holder must, on receipt of this certificate, sign it in ink with his usual signature.

2. The holder of this certificate must inform at once the chief officer of police by whom it was granted of the theft or loss in Great Britain of any shot gun in his possession.

(*Inside*)

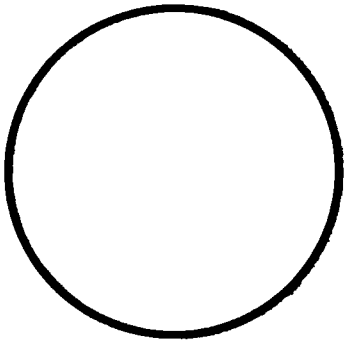
No.....

The holder of this certificate is authorised for the purposes of section 2(1) of the Firearms Act 1968 to possess shot guns, subject to the conditions overleaf.

Valid from..... until.....inclusive...

Name and address of holder

Date of birth:
Over 21 years of age



Signature of holder:

.....

Stamp of Issuing Authority

SCHEDULE 2

Rules 7 and 8. PART I

Form of application by a visitor to Great Britain for the grant or renewal of a Visitor's Shot Gun Certificate

1. Full name of applicant.....
(State Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) Forenames Surname
2. Principal address in Great Britain.....
3. Date of birth..... 4. Nationality .....
5. Have you a passport? YES/NO If YES, write its number here.....
6. If you have a national identity card write its number here.....
7. Date of entry into Great Britain.....
8. How long do you expect to remain in Great Britain?.....
9. Are you ordinarily resident outside Great Britain, or have you been so at any time during the last two years? YES/NO
If YES, give address:.....
10. Do you suffer from any form of mental disorder or defect? YES/NO
If YES, give details:
11. Have you been convicted of ANY offence other than minor traffic offences? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

12. Details of visitor's shot gun certificate to be renewed (if none, write NONE):

Number..... Valid from..... until.....

Issuing Authority.....

13. I hereby apply to the chief officer of police for a visitor's certificate. The statements I have made on this form are true.

Date.....Usual signature of applicant.....

14. COUNTERSIGNATURE

I certify that the applicant.....is known to me and that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the answers given to questions 1 to 9 above are correct.

Signed .....

Profession or occupation.....Address.....

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PART II Rule 9.

Form of Visitor's Shot Gun Certificate

(*Outside*)

VISITOR'S SHOT GUN CERTIFICATE

This certificate is issued subject to the following conditions:

1. The holder must, on receipt of this certificate, sign it in ink with his usual signature.
2. The holder of this certificate must inform at once the chief officer of police by whom it was granted of the theft or loss in Great Britain of any shot gun in his possession.

(*Inside*)

No.....

The holder of this certificate is authorised for the purposes of section 2(1) of the Firearms Act 1968 to possess shot guns, subject to the conditions overleaf.

Valid from..... until.....inclusive

Name and address of holder

Date of birth:
Over 21 years of age

Signature of holder:

.....

Stamp of Issuing Authority

Rule 10. SCHEDULE 3

Form of Permit to have possession of shot guns

Permit No..... .....Police

.....
(Name)

of .....
(Address)

is hereby permitted to have shot guns in his possession until.....19... (but not to purchase or acquire them) on the terms that:—

(1) The person to whom this permit is granted shall inform the chief officer of police at once of the name and address of any person purchasing or acquiring any shot gun from the holder of this permit.

(2) Any theft or loss shall be reported at once to the chief officer of police.

(3) This permit shall be returned to the chief officer of police on or before the above-mentioned date.

.....(Date)

Stamp of Issuing Authority

Form of Permit for an Auctioneer to sell by auction, expose for sale by auction, and have in his possession for sale by auction, a shot gun or shot guns

..... (Police area)

Auctioneers' Permit Book No..... Permit No.....

Permission is hereby granted to the auctioneer(s)

..... of
(Name)

.....
(Address)

to have shot guns in possession for sale by auction and to expose them for sale by auction, and to sell them by auction in the above-mentioned police area on the terms that:—

(1) The person to whom this permit is granted shall inform the chief officer of police at once of the name and address of any person purchasing or acquiring any shot gun from the holder of this permit.

(2) Any theft or loss shall be reported at once to the chief officer of police.

(3) This permit shall be returned to the chief officer of police on or before the date on which it expires.

This permit expires on.....
(Date)

Stamp of Issuing Authority

SCHEDULE 4 Rule 12.

Form of Application for the grant, renewal or variation of a Firearm Certificate

Application for the GRANT/RENEWAL/VARIATION of a Firearm Certificate

(*delete as appropriate*)

To be completed by all applicants

Applicant's title and Surname Title..... .....
(Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) Surname

Christian or forenames in full.....

Full postal address.....

Details of firearms possessed at date of this application. If none, write NONE here:—.....

Calibre	*Maker's name*	*Type*	*Serial No.*

Details of firearms desired to be purchased or acquired:

Quantity	*Calibre*	*Type*

Ammunition:

Quantity	*Calibre*

Amount possessed at date of this application .....

Maximum amount desired to be possessed at any one time.....

Maximum amount desired to be purchased or acquired at any one time.....

Height..... Nationality.....

Occupation .....

Business address: Permanent address if different from above:

.....

Do you suffer from any form of mental disorder or defect? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

Have you been convicted of any offence, other than minor traffic offences? YES/NO
If YES, give details:

Reasons for requiring each of the firearms and the ammunition specified:

Where do you intend to use each of the firearms specified?

Where, if a firearm certificate is issued, renewed or varied, will each of the firearms and the ammunition specified be kept when not in use and what arrangements have been made for their safe custody?

To be completed in respect of applications for the GRANT of a firearm certificate

Date and place of issue of any previous firearm certificate held, If none, write NONE here.....

Date of issue.....Place of issue.....

Date and place of issue of any shot gun certificate held. If none, write NONE here.....

Date of issue.....Place of issue.....Number.....

Have you at any time had an application for the grant or renewal of a firearm or shot gun certificate refused? YES/NO

If YES date.....Place .....

Date of birth.....Place of birth.....

If at any time you have used a name or names other than those quoted above, give details (including in the case of a married woman, surname before marriage):

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If you have lived at addresses other than those quoted above during the last five years, give them below:

.....

To be completed in respect of applications for the RENEWAL or VARIATION of a firearm certificate

Details of firearm certificate to be renewed or varied:

Number.....Date of issue.....

Granted by the chief officer of police of.....

To be completed by ALL applicants

I hereby apply to the chief officer of police for

a firearm certificate
the renewal of the firearm certificate specified
the variation of the firearm certificate specified

} delete as appropriate

in respect of the firearm(s) and ammunition and for the reasons specified.

I declare that the statements made on this form are true.

Date.....Usual signature of applicant.....

If the applicant is under 17 years of age, signature of parent or guardian:

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Rule 13.

SCHEDULE 5

Form of a Firearm Certificate

FIREARM CERTIFICATE

Certificate Number.....
Date of Issue.....
Police force.....

This certificate is granted for the purposes of section 1(1) of the Firearms Act 1968 to the holder named below and relates to the firearms and ammunition specified hereon.

CONDITIONS

This certificate is subject to the following conditions. Maximum penalty for non-compliance: six months imprisonment and/or £200 fine.

1. The holder must, on receipt of this certificate, sign it in ink with his usual signature.

SCHEDULE 5—*continued*

Name and address of holder

Signature of holder:.....

1. FIREARMS

(i) Possessed

(ii) Authorised to be purchased or acquired

2. AMMUNITION

	Quantity	Calibre
(i) Possessed		
(ii) Maximum amount authorised to be possessed at any one time.		
(iii) Maximum amount authorised to be purchased or acquired at any one time		

CONDITIONS

2. The firearms and ammunition to which this certificate relates must at all times when not in actual use be kept in a secure place with a view to preventing access to them by unauthorised persons.

3. The holder must inform at once the chief officer of police by whom this certificate was granted of the theft or loss in Great Britain of any firearms to which it relates.

4. The holder must, without undue delay, inform the chief officer of police by whom this certificate was granted of any change in his permanent address.

Here the chief of police may insert other conditions.

This certificate will continue in force for three years from the date shown below.

Signed.....
Chief Officer of Police

....
(police force) (date)

VARIATION OF CERTIFICATE

Entries in this section may be made only by the police and should conclude with the signature and police force of the chief officer of police varying the certificate, and the date of the variation.

RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE

I hereby renew this certificate for three years from..... (date)...

Signed.....
Chief Officer of Police

..... (police force) .....(date)

Instructions to persons from whom the holder of this certificate purchases or acquires firearms or ammunition.

Every person selling, letting on hire, giving or lending a firearm or ammunition to the holder of this certificate must:—

1. make an appropriate entry in each column of TABLE 1 (FIREARMS or TABLE 2 (AMMUNITION), showing in column E what statutory authority he has to be in possession of firearms or ammunition:
2. complete the certificate by giving his signature and the date in column F:
3. if the holder of this certificate is unknown to him obtain a receipt for any firearm supplied and keep it for production if required:
4. in the case of a firearm, within 48 hours from the transaction, send by registered post or the recorded delivery service notice of the transaction to the chief officer of police by whom this certificate was granted:
5. in any case report in writing within 48 hours to the chief officer of police by whom this certificate was granted any circumstances attending the transaction which appear to require investigation.

Here the chief officer of police may insert other instructions.

F Certificate

I certify that the entries in columns A to E are correct and relate to a transaction with the holder of this certificate, that I have inspected this certificate and the record of previous transactions and I have satisfied myself that the transaction will not place the holder of the certificate in possession of firearms in excess of or otherwise than as authorised by the certificate;

Signature and date

TABLE 1 (FIREARMS)

A Date of sale or transfer	B Name and address of person selling or transferring firearm	C State whether sold, let on hire, given or lent	D Quantity, calibre, maker's name and type of firearm, identification number or other mark	E Authority to possess (e.g. firearm certificate or dealer's registered number)

F Certificate

I certify that the entries in columns A to E are correct and relate to a transaction with the holder of this certificate, that I have inspected this certificate and the record of previous transactions and I have satisfied myself that the transaction will not place the holder of the certificate in possession of ammunition in excess of or otherwise than as authorised by the certificate;

Signature and date

TABLE 2 (AMMUNITION)

A Date of sale or transfer	B Name and address of person selling or transferring ammunition	C Quantity of ammunition	D Calibre and description of ammunition	E Authority to possess (e.g. firearm certificate or dealer's registered number)

SCHEDULE 6

Rule 14.

Form of Permit to have in possession a firearm or ammunition

..... Police

..... (Name)

of..... (Address)

is hereby permitted to have in his possession until.....

19..., the following firearms and ammunition:—

*Firearms**.....

Ammunition†.....

on the terms that:—

(1) The person to whom this permit is granted shall inform the chief officer of police at once of the name and address of any person purchasing or acquiring any of the above firearms or ammunition.

(2) Reasonable precautions shall be taken to ensure the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition, and any loss or theft shall be reported at once to the chief officer of police.

(3) This permit shall be returned to the chief officer of police on or before the above-mentioned date.

..... (Signature)
Chief Officer of Police.

..... (Date)

Form of Permit for an Auctioneer to sell by auction, expose for sale by auction, and have in his possession for sale by auction a firearm or ammunition

.....(Police Area)

Permission is hereby granted to the auctioneer(s).....(Name)

of..... (Address)

to have in possession for sale by auction and to expose for sale by auction the following firearms and ammunition:—

*Firearms**.....

Ammunition†.....

and to sell them by auction in the above-mentioned police area on the terms that:—

(1) The person to whom this permit is granted shall inform the chief officer of police at once of the name and address of any person purchasing or acquiring any of the above firearms or ammunition.

(2) Reasonable precautions shall be taken to ensure the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition, and any loss or theft shall be reported at once to the chief officer of police.

(3) This permit shall be returned to the chief officer of police on or before the date on which it expires.

This permit expires on.....(Date)

..... (Signature)
Chief Officer of Police.

..... (Date)

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*Description, including type, calibre, maker's name, identification number or other distinguishing mark.

†Quantity, type and calibre.

Form of Permit to remove a firearm from or to a ship or a signalling apparatus from or to an aircraft or aerodrome

..... (Police)

Permission is hereby granted to.....(Name)

of..... (Address)

.....(Rank or other description)

to remove the following firearm/signalling apparatus:—*

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from/to..... } (State particulars of the ship, aircraft or aerodrome, and also, where situated.)

to/from..... } (State the other address to or from which the firearm or signalling apparatus is to be removed.)

This permit is valid until..... (Date)

.....(Signature of Police Officer)

..... (Rank)

.....(Date of Issue)

Rule 15. SCHEDULE 7

PART I

Form of Application for Registration as a firearms dealer or for a new Certificate of Registration

To be completed by all applicants

Applicant's title and surname	Title..... ..... (Mr, Mrs, Miss or title) (Surname)
Christian or forenames in full	.....
Name of principal business	.....
Business address	.....
Precise nature of business	.....
Applicant's private address	.....Nationality.....

To be completed only in respect of applications for initial registration

Other business (if any) which will be carried on at the address (i.e. by whom carried on, nature of business, and name under which business is carried on):

Previous experience in handling firearms:

Proposals for ensuring the safe custody of firearms if the application is granted:

*Description, including type, calibre, maker's name, identification number or other distinguishing mark.

To be completed by applicants having more than one place of business in firearms and/or ammunition in the police area

Additional places of business in firearms and/or ammunition:

Name of business.....

Business address.....

Precise nature of business.....

To be completed by all applicants

I hereby apply to the chief officer of police for registration as a firearms dealer/a new certificate of registration (*delete as appropriate*).

I declare that the statements made on this form are true.

Date.....Usual signature of applicant.....

PART II Rule 16.

Form of Notification by a registered firearms dealer of a place of business not already entered in the register

Name of proposed business.....

Address of proposed place of business.....

Nature of the firearms business to be carried on at the proposed address.....

Other business (if any) which will be carried on at the proposed address (i.e. by whom carried on, nature of business, and name under which business will be carried on):

Full name of applicant.....

Place of residence.....

I, being registered as a firearms dealer in this police area, hereby notify the chief officer of police that I propose to carry on business as a firearms dealer at a place of business in this area which is not entered in the register. I declare that the statements made on this form are true.

Date.....Usual signature of registered dealer.....

Rule 17. **SCHEDULE 8**

Form of police register of firearms dealers

Name of Firearms Dealer.....

Particulars of places of business at date of registration:—

Addresses	Name of business at each address	Nature of business at each address

Date of Registration.....

Particulars of places of business notified subsequently:—

Addresses	Name of business at each address	Nature of business at each address	Notified on	Entered in register by

Rule 18. **SCHEDULE 9**

PART I

Form of a firearms dealer's register of transactions

Part I:

Quantities and descriptions of firearms and ammunitions manufactured:—

Date of completion of Manufacture.	Quantity.		Description	
	Firearms	Ammunition.	Firearms.	Ammunition.

Part II:

Quantities and description of firearms and ammunition purchased, acquired or accepted:—

Date of Transaction.	Name, Address and status* of Seller or Transferor.	Quantity.		Description.		Nature
		Fire-arms.	Ammu-nition.	Firearms.	Ammuni-tion.	Transac-tion†.

Part III:

Quantities and description of firearms and ammunition sold or transferred:—

Date of Transaction.	Particulars as to the Pur-chaser or Transferee.‡	Quantity.		Description.		Nature of Transac-tion.§
		Fire-arms.	Ammu-nition.	Firearms.	Ammuni-tion.	

*State whether he is a registered firearms dealer, or holds a firearm certificate, or, if he is an exempted person, the nature of his exemption.

†State whether purchased, hired, borrowed, accepted as a gift, or accepted for sale, repair, test, proof, cleaning, storage, destruction or other purpose.

‡The particulars as to the purchaser or transferee must include (1) his name and address; (2) if he has a firearm certificate, the police area in which the certificate was issued; (3) otherwise, particulars of his authority to purchase, acquire or possess without a firearm certificate and, if he is unknown to the dealer particulars sufficient for identification. Any particulars which cannot be conveniently entered in the column may be entered in another place in Part III, provided that such place is clearly indicated in the column.

§State whether sale, hire, loan, gift, or other form of transfer, including return of firearms accepted for sale, repair, test, proof, cleaning, storage, destruction or other purpose.

Part IV:

Quantities and description of firearms and ammunition in possession for sale, transfer, or other purposes at the date of the last stocktaking or other date in each year:—

Date.	Quantity.		Description.	
	Firearms.	Ammunition.	Firearms.	Ammunition.

Rule 18. **PART II**

Directions as to the manner of keeping a register in the form set out in Part I of this Schedule

1. The register may be kept in the following manner—
   (i) the four Parts of the register may be kept in separate books;
   (ii) each Part may be divided into separate sections for firearms and ammunition;
   (iii) each Part or section may be so arranged that entries relating to one or more different descriptions of firearms or ammunition are made either in separate divisions of the column or columns headed "Description" or in separate sections or subsections of that Part;
   (iv) Part II and Part III may each be divided into separate sections or subsections according to the nature of the transaction or transactions;
   (v) a separate section or subsection of Part IV may be provided for firearms in possession for purposes other than sale or hire:

Provided that—

(*a*) the nature of the contents of each section or subsection is indicated at the beginning of the section of subsection, and

(*b*) the Parts, sections and subsections are so kept as to be readily available for inspection.

2. Parts or columns of the register which relate to a class of business which is not carried on may be dispensed with, provided that a statement of the class of business carried on is entered at the beginning of each Part.

3. In Parts I, II and III of the register, the totals of the entries in the columns headed "Quantity" should be shown at the foot of each completed page as "carried forward" and at the head of the next page as "brought forward".

4. The description of firearms or ammunition or the headings of the columns in which entries under the heading "Description" are made should indicate clearly—

(*a*) in the case of firearms—
   (i) the class of firearms (e.g. shot gun, rifle, revolver or pistol);
   (ii) the make, type of distinctive name of the firearm;

(iii) the calibre;

(iv) the number or other distinguishing mark, if it is practicable to give it; and

(v) except in Part I of the register, the maker's name;

(*b*) in the case of ammunition—

(i) the make, type or distinctive name of the ammunition;

(ii) the nature of the explosive (e.g. smokeless powder);

(iii) the calibre; and

(iv) except in Part I of the register, the maker's name.

5. No abbreviations should be used, unless their meaning is made plain to any person inspecting the register.

6. Where any entries other than the prescribed particulars are made in the register, they should be made in such a way as not to interfere with or obscure the entries of the prescribed particulars.

SCHEDULE 10 Rule 21.

Rules revoked

Rules	References
The Firearms (Scotland) Rules 1937	S.R. & O. 1937/309 (Rev. II, p. 775: 1937, p. 225).
The Firearms (Scotland) Rules 1952	S.I. 1952/1792 (1952 I, p. 179).
The Firearms (Scotland) Rules 1955	S.I. 1955/75 (1955 I, p. 223).
The Shot Guns (Scotland) Rules 1968	S.I. 1968/135 (1968 I, p. 366).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Rules.*)

These Rules prescribe the forms to be used in connection with the grant of certificates and permits for the purposes of the Firearms Act 1968 and the registration of firearms dealers and also the form of the register of transactions to be kept by such dealers. The Rules supersede the Rules listed in Schedule 10 but the only substantial change made is in relation to the form of application for a firearm certificate.

Rule 19 amends paragraph 4 of Schedule 4 to the Firearms Act 1968 which relates to the particulars of sales and other transactions to be entered in the register mentioned above. The effect is to restore the provision formerly contained in paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the Firearms Act 1937 (c.12).