STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 956

ARMS AND AMMUNITION

The Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1975

Made - - - -	*7th June* 1975
Laid before Parliament	16*th June* 1975
Coming into Operation	7*th July* 1975

In pursuance of section 43 of the Firearms Act 1968(a), I hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 7th July 1975.

(2) This Order shall not extend to Scotland.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(b) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and as if this Order and the Orders revoked by this Order were Acts of Parliament.

3. Section 32(1) of the Firearms Act 1968 (which relates to fees for firearm and shot gun certificates and which was set out, as previously amended, in the Schedule to the Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1970(c)) shall have effect as set out in Schedule 1 to this Order.

4. Section 32 of the Firearms Act 1968 shall continue to have effect with the insertion, after sub section (3) thereof, of the following sub section:—

"(3A) No fee shall be payable on the grant, variation or renewal of a firearm certificate which relates solely to and, in the case of a variation, will continue when varied to relate solely to a signalling device, which, when assembled and ready to fire, is not more than six inches long and which is designed to discharge a flare, or to ammunition for such a device."

5.—(1) Subsection (1) of section 35 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which relates to the fee for registration as a firearms dealer) shall continue to have effect as set out in Part I of Schedule 2 to this Order.

(2) Subsection (3) of that section (which relates to the fee for renewal of registration as a firearms dealer) shall have effect as set out in Part II of that Schedule.

(a) 1968 c. 27. (b) 1889 c. 63. (c) S.I. 1970/1736 (1970 III, p. 5656).

6. The Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1968**(a)** and the Firearms (Variation of Fees) Order 1970 are hereby revoked.

Roy Jenkins,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.

7th June 1975.

SCHEDULE 1 Article 3

Section 32(1) *of the Firearms Act* 1968 *as amended*

32.—(1) Subject to this Act, there shall be payable—

(*a*) on the grant of a firearm certificate, a fee of £7;

(*b*) on the variation, replacement, or renewal of a firearm certificate, where the number of firearms to which the certificate relates is increased, a fee of £5·50;

(*c*) on the renewal of a firearm certificate, or the replacement of a firearm certificate which has been lost or destroyed, where the number of firearms to which the certificate relates is not increased, a fee of £4·50;

(*d*) on the grant of a shot gun certificate, a fee of £2; and

(*e*) on the renewal of a shot gun certificate, or the replacement of a shot gun certificate which has been lost or destroyed, a fee of £1·50.

SCHEDULE 2 Article 5

Section 35(1) *and* (3) *of the Firearms Act* 1968 *as amended*

PART I

35.—(1) Subject to this Act, on the registration of a person as a firearms dealer there shall be payable by him a fee of £20.

PART II

(3) Before a person for the time being registered as a firearms dealer can be granted a new certificate of registration under section 33(5) of this Act, he shall pay a fee of £10.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order increases, in relation to England and Wales, certain fees payable in respect of firearm certificates, shot gun certificates and the registration of firearms dealers, and Articles 4 and 5(1) consolidate into this Order the only two outstanding amendments made previously.

(a) S.I.1968/1753 (1968 III, p. 4762).

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