STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1980 No. 604 (S.55)

ARMS AND AMMUNITION

The Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1980

Made - - - -	*24th April* 1980
Laid before Parliament	*8th May* 1980
Coming into Operation	*1st July* 1980

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 43 of the Firearms Act 1968**(a)**, and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following order:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 1st July 1980.

(2) This order shall extend to Scotland only.

2. The Firearms (Variation of Fees) (Scotland) Order 1978**(b)** (hereafter referred to as the 1978 order) is hereby revoked.

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 amended, in Schedule 1 to the 1978 order) 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 subsection (3) thereof, of the following subsection:—

"(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 eight inches long and which is designed to discharge a flare, or to ammunition for such a device.".

5. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 35 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which relate respectively to the fee for registration as a firearms dealer and the fee for renewal of registration as a firearms dealer and which were set out, as amended, in the 1978 order) shall have effect as set out, respectively, in Parts I and II of Schedule 2 to this order.

George Younger,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

New St. Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
24th April, 1980.

(a) 1968 c. 27. **(b)** S.I. 1978/360.

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 £25;

(*b*) on the renewal of a firearm certificate or on the replacement of a firearm certificate which has been lost or destroyed, a fee of £20;

(*c*) on any variation of a firearm certificate (otherwise than when it is renewed or replaced at the same time) so as to increase the number of firearms to which the certificate relates, a fee of £20;

(*d*) on the grant of a shot gun certificate, a fee of £12; and

(*e*) on the renewal of a shot gun certificate, or on the replacement of a shot gun certificate which has been lost or destroyed, a fee of £8.

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 £58.

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 £36.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order increases, in relation to Scotland, certain fees payable under sections 32 and 35 of the Firearms Act 1968 in respect of firearm certificates, shot gun certificates and the registration of firearms dealers, and Article 4 consolidates into this Order an amendment made previously in respect of said section 32, and further amends that section to extend the maximum length of a signalling device on which no fees will be payable from six to eight inches.