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PROHIBITED WEAPONS ACT 1989—REGULATION

(Relating to a firearms amnesty)

NEW SOUTH WALES



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HIS Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of the Prohibited Weapons Act 1989, has been pleased to make the Regulation set forth hereunder.

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for the Minister for Police.

The Prohibited Weapons Regulation 1990 is amended by omitting clause 13 and by inserting instead the following clause:

Temporary amnesty for surrender of prohibited firearms

13. (1) This clause applies to any prohibited weapon that is a firearm as defined in the Firearms Act 1989.

(2) A person is authorised by this clause to possess (but not use) a prohibited weapon to which this clause applies, but only for the following purposes:

- (a) surrendering the prohibited weapon to the Commissioner of Police by delivering it, in accordance with such guidelines as may be fixed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Minister, to any police station or other place nominated by the Commissioner for the purpose;
- (b) proceeding to a police station or other nominated place for the purpose of surrendering the prohibited weapon as referred to in paragraph (a).

(3) This clause ceases to operate at the end of 30 June 1996.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Regulation substitutes an existing provision of the Prohibited Weapons Regulation 1990 that provided an amnesty for the surrender of prohibited firearms for 1 year up to 30 June 1995. The new provision provides for a further amnesty until 30 June 1996 but is different to the existing provision in that it only permits the surrender of prohibited firearms to the Police (whereas the existing provision also permitted transfer of a firearm to any person who held an appropriate permit for the firearm).

This Regulation is made under section 5 (1) of the Prohibited Weapons Act 1989.
