

Firearms (General) Amendment (Fees) Regulation 2004

under the

Firearms Act 1996

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Firearms Act 1996*.

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Minister for Police

Explanatory note

Generally, category A, B, C, D and H licences under the *Firearms Act 1996* (*the Act*) are issued for a period of 5 years. The object of this Regulation is to amend the *Firearms* (*General*) Regulation 1997 (*the Principal Regulation*) so as:

- (a) to provide that an applicant for a category A, B, C, D or H licence (other than a category D licence referred to in section 21 (2) of the Act or a probationary pistol licence) will have the option of applying for a 2-year licence or a 5-year licence, and
- (b) to increase the application fee for an initial category A, B, C or D licence from \$75 (for 5 years) to \$100 (for 2 years) and \$200 (for 5 years), and
- (c) to increase the application fee for a subsequent category A, B, C or D licence from \$40 (for 5 years) to \$100 (for 2 years) and \$200 (for 5 years), and
- (d) to increase the application fee for an initial or subsequent category H licence from \$100 (for 5 years) to \$200 (for 5 years), with the fee for a 2-year licence being \$100, and
- (e) to increase the fee for a duplicate licence or permit from \$40 (if a photograph is required under the Principal Regulation) or \$25 (if no such photograph is required) to \$75 (whether or not such a photograph is required).

This Regulation is made under the *Firearms Act 1996*, including sections 21 and 88 (the general regulation-making power) and, in particular, section 88 (2) (q).

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1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Firearms (General) Amendment (Fees)* Regulation 2004.

2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 July 2004.

3 Amendment of Firearms (General) Regulation 1997

The Firearms (General) Regulation 1997 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

Amendments

Schedule 1

Schedule 1 Amendments

(Clause 3)

[1] Clause 6A

Insert after clause 6:

6A Term of licence

- (1) In making an application for a category A, B, C, D or H licence (other than a category D licence referred to in section 21 (2) of the Act or a probationary pistol licence), the applicant may apply for a licence that will be in force for a period of 2 years only.
- (2) For the purposes of section 21 (1) of the Act, the period of 2 years is prescribed in relation to any such licence.

[2] Clause 84 Fees

Omit clause 84 (1) (a)–(c). Insert instead:

- (a) application fee for an initial or subsequent category A, B, C or D licence:
 - (i) for a period of 2 years—\$100, or
 - (ii) for a period of 5 years—\$200,
- (b) application fee for an initial firearms collector licence—\$75,
- (b1) application fee for a subsequent firearms collector licence—\$40,
 - (c) application fee for an initial or subsequent category H licence:
 - (i) for a period of 2 years—\$100, or
 - (ii) for a period of 5 years—\$200,

[3] Clause 84 (1) (n)

Omit the paragraph. Insert instead:

(n) fee for a duplicate licence or permit—\$75,