



New South Wales

# Weapons Prohibition Amendment (Temporary Amnesty) Regulation 2009

under the

Weapons Prohibition Act 1998

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998*.

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Minister for Police

## Explanatory note

The object of this Regulation is to make provision for a 3 month amnesty period with respect to offences under the *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998* relating to the possession of imitation or replica firearms, silencers and firearm magazines. Under the amnesty, a person who is in possession of any of these items is exempt from the requirement for a permit to possess the item if the person is surrendering it to the police (or is proceeding to a police station to surrender it).

This Regulation is made under the *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998*, including section 50 (the general regulation-making power).

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#### 1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Weapons Prohibition Amendment (Temporary Amnesty) Regulation 2009*.

#### 2 Amendment of Weapons Prohibition Regulation 1999

The *Weapons Prohibition Regulation 1999* is amended by inserting the following clause after clause 40:

##### 40A Temporary amnesty to enable surrender of imitation or replica firearms, silencers and firearm magazines

- (1) In this clause:  
*period of the amnesty* means the period starting on 1 March 2009 and ending on 31 May 2009.
- (2) This clause applies to the prohibited weapons referred to in clauses 3 (2) and 4 (3) and (4) of Schedule 1 to the Act.
- (3) During the period of the amnesty, a person is exempt from the requirement under the Act to hold a permit authorising possession of a prohibited weapon to which this clause applies if the person:
  - (a) is surrendering the prohibited weapon to a member of the NSW Police Force in accordance with such directions as are issued by the Commissioner, or
  - (b) is proceeding to a police station for the purpose of surrendering the prohibited weapon.
- (4) Nothing in this clause authorises the use of a prohibited weapon.

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