

THE TERRITORY FOR THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.

No. 17 of 1926.

AN ORDINANCE

To amend the Gun Licence Ordinance 1925.

BE it ordained by the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, with the advice of the Federal Executive Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred by the *Seat of Government Acceptance Act* 1909 and the *Seat of Government (Administration) Act* 1910, as follows :—

1.—(1.) This Ordinance may be cited as the *Gun Licence Ordinance* 1926. Short title and citation.

(2.) The *Gun Licence Ordinance* 1925 is in this Ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(3.) The Principal Ordinance, as amended by this Ordinance, may be cited as the *Gun Licence Ordinance* 1925–1926.

2. Section two of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

Definitions.

(a) by inserting, before the definition of “gun”, the following definition :—

“ ‘authorized officer’ means an officer of the Federal Capital Commission thereto authorized by the Federal Capital Commission ; ” ; and

(b) by inserting in the definition of “gun licence”, before the word “granted”, the words “or special licence”.

3. Section three of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

“ 3.—(1.) The Federal Capital Commission may delegate any of its powers and functions under this Ordinance (except this power of delegation) in relation to any matters or class of matters, so that the delegated powers and functions may be exercised by the delegate with respect to the matters or class of matters specified in the instrument of delegation. Delegation by Commission.

“ (2.) Every delegation under this section shall be revocable at will, and no delegation shall prevent the exercise of any power or function by the Federal Capital Commission.”

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4. Section five of the Principal Ordinance is repealed and the following section inserted in its stead :—

Gun licences
and special
gun licences.

“ 5.—(1.) The Federal Capital Commission may, as it thinks fit, in pursuance of applications made in accordance with the Regulations, grant and renew gun licences and special gun licences subject to such conditions as are prescribed.

“ (2.) A gun licence or a special gun licence may be granted in respect of a particular gun or a particular class of gun specified in the licence.

“ (3.) Except where a gun licence or a special gun licence is granted in respect of a particular class of gun no such licence shall be granted in respect of or relate to more than one gun.

“ (4.) For the purpose of this Ordinance a person shall be deemed to be a licensee under a gun licence in respect only of the gun or class of gun for which his gun licence is granted.

“ (5.) The fee payable for the grant or renewal of a gun licence shall be Five shillings.

“ (6.) No fee shall be payable for the grant or renewal of a special gun licence.”.

Repeal of s. 7
of Principal
Ordinance.

5. Section seven of the Principal Ordinance is repealed.

Sale or hire of
guns

6. Section eight of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words “ Licensing Officer ” and inserting in their stead the words “ Federal Capital Commission or any authorized officer ”.

Gun dealers’
licence.

7. Section nine of the Principal Ordinance is amended—

- (a) by omitting the words “ Licensing Officer ” (wherever occurring) and inserting in their stead the words “ Federal Capital Commission ”; and
- (b) by omitting sub-section (4.).

Cancellation or
suspension of
licence.

8. Section ten of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words “ Licensing Officer ” (wherever occurring), and inserting in their stead the words “ Federal Capital Commission ”.

9. After section ten of the Principal Ordinance the following sections are inserted :—

Expiration of
licences.

“ 10A. Unless sooner suspended or cancelled, each licence granted under this Ordinance shall remain in force until the thirtieth day of June next following the date of the grant of the licence, but subject to this Ordinance shall be renewable from time to time for a period of twelve months.

Register of
licences.

“ 10B.—(1.) The Federal Capital Commission shall keep a register in the prescribed form of each class of licence granted under this Ordinance.

“ (2.) Each register shall be open to the inspection of any member of the Police Force of the Commonwealth or a State at all times during office hours.

"(3.) Any such member inspecting a register shall in the space provided in the register signify by his signature the fact that he has inspected it.

"10c.—(1.) The senior member stationed in the Territory of the police force performing police duties in the Territory, or a member of that police force authorized by him in writing, shall, not later than the thirty-first day of May in each year, inspect each register of licences kept in pursuance of this Ordinance, and shall certify therein in the space provided in the register whether or not he objects to the renewal of any licence.

Objection by
police officer to
renewal of
licence.

"(2.) If any such member of the police force certifies that he objects to the renewal of any licence, any application for the renewal of that licence shall be submitted to him for report, and, if he recommends that the licence should not be renewed, it shall not be renewed unless the Federal Capital Commission otherwise directs."

10. Section twelve of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words "The Licensing Officer, or any officer of the Federal Capital Commission authorized in writing in that behalf by the Licensing Officer" and inserting in their stead the words "The Federal Capital Commission or any authorized officer".

Demand for
production of
gun licence.

11. Section thirteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words "The Licensing Officer, or any person authorized in writing in that behalf by the Licensing Officer" and inserting in their stead the words "The Federal Capital Commission or any authorized officer".

Confiscation of
guns carried by
persons without
a licence.

12. Section eighteen of the Principal Ordinance is amended by omitting the words "Licensing Officer" and inserting in their stead the words "Federal Capital Commission".

Institution of
proceedings.

Dated the twenty-fourth day of November, One thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

STONEHAVEN,
Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command,

T. W. GLASGOW,
Minister of State for Home and Territories.