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The Australian Capital Territory Executive makes the following regulation under the *Firearms Act 1996*.

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## Part 1 Preliminary

### 1 Name of regulation

This regulation is the *Firearms Amendment Regulation 2013 (No 1)*.

### 2 Commencement

- (1) This regulation, other than section 9, commences on the day after its notification day.

*Note* The naming and commencement provisions automatically commence on the notification day (see [Legislation Act](#), s 75 (1)).

- (2) Section 9 commences on a day fixed by the Minister by written notice.

*Note* If a provision has not commenced within 6 months beginning on the notification day, it automatically commences on the first day after that period (see [Legislation Act](#), s 79).

### 3 Legislation amended

This regulation amends the *Firearms Act 1996* and the *Firearms Regulation 2008*.

*Note* The *Firearms Act 1996*, s 7 (3) allows the [Act](#), sch 1 to be amended by regulation.

## Part 2 Firearms Act 1996

### 4 Schedule 1, new item 17A

*insert*

17A	<p>a firearm that—</p> <p>(a) is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) a smoothbore shotgun; or</li><li>(ii) a rifle, including a combination smoothbore shotgun and rifle but not including an airgun; or</li><li>(iii) an airgun mentioned in section 250 (2) (c); and</li></ul> <p>(b) has no stock;</p> <p>other than a firearm—</p> <p>(c) whose owner has the registrar's written approval under section 250 (2) to modify the firearm so that it has no stock; and</p> <p>(d) that the registrar is satisfied under section 251 has been modified in accordance with the approval</p>
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## Part 3 Firearms Regulation 2008

### 5 New section 16A

*insert*

#### 16A Category C licences, genuine reason vertebrate pest animal control—Act, s 64 (a)

The genuine reason of vertebrate pest animal control is prescribed.

### 6 Section 17, note

*substitute*

*Note* The [Act](#), s 64 restricts the issue of category C licences to adults who establish certain genuine reasons. The applicant must also produce evidence satisfying the registrar of the special need to possess or use a category C firearm and that that special need cannot be met in any other way.

### 7 Section 20

*omit everything before subsection (2), substitute*

#### 20 Adult licence condition, category C or H licences—Act, s 73 (1) (g)

- (1) This section applies to a category C or category H licence if the genuine reason for possessing or using the firearm is sport or target shooting.

### 8 New section 41 (h)

*insert*

- (h) if the registered owner has the registrar's written approval under the [Act](#), section 250 (2) to modify the firearm—
  - (i) details of the approval, including when it expires under the [Act](#), section 250 (5); and

- (ii) if the firearm is modified—
  - (A) the date the registrar decides under the [Act](#), section 251 whether the firearm has been modified in accordance with the approval; and
  - (B) the registrar's decision.

**9 Table 68, item 1, column 3**

*omit*

4 activities

*substitute*

4 shooting activities

**10 New section 73A**

*in part 15, insert*

**73A Minimum dimensions for firearms—Act, sch 1, item 17**

- (1) The following minimum dimensions are prescribed:
  - (a) for a firearm that is a smoothbore shotgun, a combination smoothbore shotgun and rifle or an airgun mentioned in the [Act](#), section 250 (2) (c) (Modification of firearms)—
    - (i) in relation to the length of the barrel or, if it has more than 1 barrel, of the longer or longest barrel—400mm; or
    - (ii) in relation to the length of the stock—300mm; or
    - (iii) in relation to the overall length of the firearm—700mm;
  - (b) for a firearm that is a rifle, other than a combination smoothbore shotgun and rifle or an airgun—
    - (i) in relation to the length of the barrel or, if it has more than 1 barrel, of the longer or longest barrel—400mm; or



- (ii) in relation to the length of the stock—300mm; or
  - (iii) in relation to the overall length of the firearm—800mm.
- (2) However, subsection (1) does not apply in relation to a firearm if—
- (a) the firearm’s owner has the registrar’s written approval under the [Act](#), section 250 (2) to modify the firearm to have a dimension that is less than a minimum dimension mentioned in subsection (1); and
  - (b) the registrar is satisfied under the [Act](#), section 251 (Approval of modifications) that the firearm has been modified in accordance with the approval.
- (3) In this section:  
*length of the stock*—see the [Act](#), section 250 (1).
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## Endnotes

### 1 Notification

Notified under the [Legislation Act](#) on 25 November 2013.

### 2 Republications of amended laws

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