

**CHAPTER 213****FIREARMS****FIREARMS (FORMS AND FEES) RULES**

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**(SECTION 45)**

*[Commencement 17th July, 1969]*

- 1.** These Rules may be cited as the Firearms (Forms and Fees) Rules. Citation.
- 2.** In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires — Interpretation.
  - “the Act” means the Firearms Act;
  - “Schedule” means one of the Schedules to these Rules,

and all other expressions shall have the same respective meanings as in the Act.

**PART I**  
**REVOLVERS**

- 3.** An application for the issue of a special licence under section 5 of the Act shall be made to the Commissioner of Police and shall be made in respect of each revolver. Application for special licence. Form I.
- 4.** Every special licence issued by the Licensing Authority under section 5 of the Act shall be in the form of a book containing — Form of special licence.
  - (a) the particulars specified in Form II in the First Schedule; and Form II.
  - (b) not less than four pages reserved for endorsements.
- 5.** A record of every special licence issued under section 5 of the Act shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Commissioner of Police or a police officer designated by him, which shall be in the Form III in the First Schedule and shall contain the particulars therein referred to. Register of special licences.  
Form III.

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**PART II**  
**RIFLES AND OTHER FIREARMS AND**  
**AMMUNITION**

Application for  
firearm  
certificate.

Form IV.

**6.** An application for the issue of a firearm certificate under section 11 of the Act shall be made to the Commissioner of Police and shall contain all the relevant information specified in Form IV in the First Schedule. A separate application shall be made in respect of each firearm and of each quantity of ammunition.

Form of firearm  
certificate.

Form V.

**7.** Every firearm certificate issued by the Commissioner of Police under section 11 of the Act shall be in the form of a book containing —

- (a) the particulars specified in Form V in the First Schedule; and
- (b) not less than four pages reserved for endorsements.

Register of  
firearm  
certificates.

Form VI.

**8.** A record of every firearm certificate issued under section 11 of the Act shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose by the Commissioner of Police or a police officer designated by him, which shall be in the Form VI in the First Schedule and shall contain the particulars therein referred to.

**PART III**  
**GUNS**

Application for  
gun licence.

Form VII.

**9.** An application for the issue of a gun licence order section 17 of the Act shall be made

- (a) in New Providence to the Commissioner of Police; and
- (b) in any Out Island district to the commissioner of that district,

and shall contain all the relevant information specified in Form VII in the First Schedule. A separate application shall be made in respect of each gun.

Form of gun  
licence.  
*S.I. 140/1972.*  
Form VIII.

**10.** Every gun licence issued or renewed under section 17 of the Act shall contain the particulars specified in Form VIII in the First Schedule.

**11.** (1) A record of every gun licence issued under section 17 of the Act shall be entered in a book to be kept for that purpose by every person authorised by or under that section to issue gun licences, which shall be in the Form IX in the First Schedule and shall contain the particulars therein referred to.

Registers and returns of gun licence.

Form IX.

(2) Every person authorised to issue gun licences as aforesaid in any Out Island district shall submit a monthly return to the Commissioner of Police of all gun licences issued, renewed, or withdrawn in his district. Such return shall be as specified in Form X in the First Schedule.

*S.I. 140/1972.*

Form X.

(3) In addition to the book referred to in paragraph (1) of this rule, a record of every gun licence issued in The Bahamas shall be maintained by the Commissioner of Police or by a police officer designated by him, containing all the particulars specified in Form IX in the First Schedule, together with particulars of the district in which every such licence has been issued.

#### **PART IV FIREARMS DEALERS REGISTRATION**

**12.** (1) An application for registration of any person as a firearms dealer shall be made to the Commissioner of Police in Form XI in the First Schedule and shall contain all the relevant information specified therein.

Application for registration as a Firearms dealer.  
Form XI.

(2) A separate application which shall be made in respect of each Police District within which the applicant wishes to carry on business of a firearms dealer.

**13.** (1) The register of firearms dealers to be maintained by the Commissioner of Police in accordance with section 24 of the Act shall be in Form XII in the First Schedule and shall contain the particulars specified therein.

Firearms dealers registers.

Form XII.

(2) Removal of the name of a registered firearms dealer from the register shall be effected by striking out the name and particulars entered therein in respect of such dealer, but not so as to render such name or particulars illegible, and by initialling the deletion thereof.

**14.** Every certificate of registration of a firearms dealer shall be in Form XIII in the First Schedule.

Firearms dealers certificates.  
Form XIII.

**PART V  
PERMITS**

Issue of permits.

**15.** (1) An application for the issue of a permit for the purposes of section 13, 18 or 23 of the Act shall be made to the Commissioner of Police in Form XIV in the First Schedule and shall contain all the relevant information specified therein.

Form XIV.

(2) Every such permit shall contain the particulars specified in Form XV in the First Schedule.

Form XV.

Form of declaration.  
*S.I. 44/1969.*

**16.** The declaration to be made by a person belonging to or on board of a foreign vessel in respect of a revolver under the provisions of section 7 (c) of the Act shall be in Form XVI in the First Schedule and shall be signed by the person making the same and by the master of the vessel.

Form XVI.

**PART VI  
FEES**

Payment of fees.

**17.** There shall be payable in respect of each of the matters specified in the first column of the Second Schedule a fee of the amount specified in the second column of that Schedule opposite thereto. Such fees shall be payable in every case to the Public Treasury.

Second Schedule.

**FIRST SCHEDULE (Rule 3)**

**FORM I**

**APPLICATION FOR A SPECIAL LICENCE TO  
INTRODUCE OR POSSESS A REVOLVER**

Under

**THE FIREARMS ACT**

Particulars of Applicant

Surname.....

First names.....

Address..... Box .....

Profession or occupation.....

Nationality.....

Date of birth.....

Particulars of Revolver

Make.....  
 Number.....  
 Calibre.....  
 Magazined or chambered.....  
 From where obtained.....  
 Date:.....

.....  
 Signature of Applicant.

**FORM II (Rule 4)**  
**SPECIAL REVOLVER LICENCE**

Under

**THE FIREARMS ACT**

Particulars of Licence Holder

Surname.....  
 First names.....  
 Address.....  
 P.O. Box.....  
 Profession or occupation.....  
 Age.....  
 Nationality.....

Particulars of Revolver

Make.....  
 Number.....  
 Calibre.....  
 Magazined or chambered.....  
 From where obtained.....  
 Date:.....

.....  
 Signature of Applicant

Licence Number.....  
 Application Number.....

(for Office use only)

Office Stamp

Date:.....

.....  
Licensing Authority.

NOTE: This licence expires on 31st December 19....

Conditions of Issue

**FORM III (Rule 5)**  
**REGISTER OF SPECIAL LICENCES**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT

Particulars of Licences Issued

Licence Number	Name of Licensee	Address	Make of Revolver	Description of Revolver Calibre	Maker's Number
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**FORM IV (Rule 6)**  
**APPLICATION FOR A FIREARM CERTIFICATE**  
 Under  
**THE FIREARMS ACT**  
 Particulars of Applicant

Surname .....

First names .....

Address .....

P.O. Box .....

Profession or occupation .....

Age .....

Nationality .....

Date of birth .....

Particulars of Firearm

Make .....

Number .....

Description .....

Calibre/Bore .....

From where obtained .....

Particulars of Ammunition

Quantity .....

Type .....

Calibre .....

Date .....

.....  
 Signature of Applicant.

**FORM V (Rule 7)**  
**FIREARM CERTIFICATE**

Under

**THE FIREARMS ACT**

Particulars of Certificate Holder

Surname .....  
First names .....  
Address .....  
P.O. Box .....  
Profession or occupation .....  
Age .....  
Nationality .....

Particulars of Firearm

Make .....  
Number .....  
Description .....  
Calibre/Bore .....  
From where obtained .....  
Date: .....

.....  
Signature of Applicant.

Ammunition:

Authority to possess .....

Authority to purchase or acquire Ammunition:

<sup>1</sup>Total amount authorised to be purchased or  
acquired in one year .....

<sup>2</sup>Maximum amount authorised or acquired  
at any one time .....

Conditions

Certificate Number .....

Application Number .....

(for Office use only)

<sup>1</sup> State quantity, type and calibre.

<sup>2</sup> State quantity, type and calibre.



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Office Stamp

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Licensing Authority.

NOTE: This licence expires on 31st December 19....

**FORM VI (Rule 8)**  
**REGISTER OF FIREARM CERTIFICATES**  
Under  
**THE FIREARMS ACT**

Particulars of Firearm Certificates Issued

Certificate Number	Name of Certificate Holder	Address	Make of Firearm	Description of Firearm Calibre/ Bore	Maker's Number

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**FORM VII (Rule 9)**  
**APPLICATION FOR A GUN LICENCE**

Under  
**THE FIREARMS ACT**  
Particulars of Applicant

Surname .....  
First names .....  
Address .....  
P.O. Box .....  
Profession or occupation .....  
Age .....  
Nationality .....  
Date of birth .....

Particulars of Gun

Make .....  
Number .....  
Description .....  
Calibre/Bore .....  
From where obtained .....  
Date: .....

.....  
Signature of Applicant.

**FORM VIII (Rule 10)**  
**GUN LICENCE**

Under  
**THE FIREARMS ACT**  
Particulars of Licence Holder

Surname .....  
First names .....  
Address .....

P.O. Box .....  
 Profession or occupation .....  
 Age .....  
 Nationality .....

Particulars of Firearm

Make .....  
 Number .....  
 Description .....  
 Calibre/Bore .....  
 From where obtained .....  
 Date: .....

.....  
 Signature of Applicant.

Licence number .....  
 Application Number .....

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 (for Office use only)

Office stamp

Date: .....

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 Licensing Authority.

Renewal ..... Signed ..... Licensing Authority ..... <b>DATE OF EXPIRATION</b> 31st December, 19.....
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S.I. 140/1972.

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**FORM IX (Rule 11)**  
**REGISTER OF GUN LICENCES**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT  
Particulars of Licences Issued

Licence Number	Name of Licensee	Address	Make of Gun	Description of Gun Calibre/ Bore	Maker's Number
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**FORM X (Rule 11)**  
**MONTHLY RETURNS OF GUN LICENCES**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT  
Particulars of Licences Issued

Licence Number	Name of Licensee	Address	Make of Gun	Description of Gun Calibre/ Bore	Maker's Number
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Particulars of Licences Renewed

Licence Number	Name of Licensee	Address	Make of Gun	Description of Gun Calibre/ Bore	Maker's Number
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Particulars of Licences Withdrawn

Licence Number	Name of Licensee	Address	Make of Gun	Description of Gun Calibre/ Bore	Maker's Number
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**FORM XI (Rule 12)**

**APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION AS A FIREARMS DEALER, OR NOTIFICATION OF A FRESH PLACE OF BUSINESS**

Under

**THE FIREARMS ACT**

Surname .....

First names .....

Address .....

Address of each .....

Place of Business in .....

the Police District .....

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Name under which .....

Business will be carried .....

on at each Address .....

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<sup>3</sup> Nature of Firearms Business at each Address .....

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Facts to be stated by the Applicant indicating that he can be permitted to carry on Business as a Firearms Dealer without danger to the Public Safety or Peace .....

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Date: .....

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Signature of Applicant.

<sup>3</sup> State whether manufacture, repair, test of proof, or sale, wholesale or retail, and whether the business will be confined to any particular type of firearm or ammunition.

**FORM XII (Rule 13)**  
**REGISTER OF FIREARMS DEALERS**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT  
[Section 24 ss. (1)]

Serial No :.....

Dealer's .....

Registration No :.....

Surname .....

First names .....

Address .....

P.O. Box .....

Date of Application .....

Address of each Place of Business .....

Name under which Business will be  
carried on at each Address .....

Nature of Firearms Business at each Address .....

Repair: .....

Test of Proof: .....

Sale: .....

Wholesale: .....

Retail: .....

Manufacture: .....

Whether Business is confined to any  
Particular Type of Firearm or Ammunition .....

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Result of Application .....

Conditions of Registration .....

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Date of Registration .....

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Commissioner of Police.

**FORM XIII (Rule 14)**  
**CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION AS A FIREARMS DEALER**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT  
[Section 25(1)]

Dealer’s Registration Number .....

This is to certify that .....

doing business at (insert Police District) .....

under the name of .....

as (precise nature of business) .....

has been registered as a Firearms Dealer .....

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Date:

.....  
Commissioner of Police.

Certificates Number .....

Application Number .....

(for Office use only)

Office Stamp

Date: .....

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Commissioner of Police.

Note: Registration fee is due on (date) ..... annually.

Additional Places of Business Covered by this Certificate:

(Insert name and nature of business at each address)

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Date: .....

.....  
Commissioner of Police.



**FORM XIV (Rule 15)**  
**APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO POSSESS AND/OR USE**  
**A FIREARM AND AMMUNITION**

Under  
THE FIREARMS ACT  
Particulars of Applicant

Surname .....  
First names .....  
Address .....  
P.O. Box .....  
Profession or occupation .....  
Nationality .....  
Date of Birth .....

State Particulars of the Firearm(s)  
for which the Permit is required.

Make .....  
Number .....  
Description .....  
Calibre/Bore .....  
From where obtained .....  
State the reason for which the Permit is required .....

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Date: .....

.....  
Signature of Applicant.

**FORM XV (Rule 15)**

**PERMIT**

Under

THE FIREARMS ACT

Number: .....

Date of Issue: .....

This permit has been granted to .....

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of .....

to (insert conditions) .....

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the following described firearms and/or ammunition:

Make	Number	Description	Calibre/Bore	From where obtained
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and is valid until .....

Date of Issue .....

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Commissioner of Police.

**FORM XVI**  
**DECLARATION RELATING TO**  
**POSSESSION OF REVOLVER UNDER SECTION 7,**  
**PART II, FIREARMS ACT<sup>4</sup>**

H. M. CUSTOMS

(Crest)

COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

Port of Entry .....

In accordance with the provisions of Section 7, Part II of The Firearms Act, I ..... (Surname) ..... (first names) of ..... (permanent address) hereby declare that I have in my possession aboard the vessel ..... (name) the revolver(s)<sup>5</sup> described below.

Manufacture	Serial Number	Calibre	Whether Chambered or Automatic
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It is my intention to remain for a period of approximately ..... in the Bahama Islands.

Further, it is my understanding that:

- (i) The revolver(s) must not be taken on shore, or used within the territorial waters of The Commonwealth of the Bahamas, without a Special Licence first obtained; and
- (ii) in the event that the revolver(s) remain in The Commonwealth of the Bahamas (including its territorial waters) for a period in excess of three (3) months, a Special Licence must be obtained.

Date .....

(Signatures) .....  
(Declarant)

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(Master of Vessel)

<sup>4</sup> Note: Revolver includes Pistol.

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**SECOND SCHEDULE (Rule 17)**

Special revolver Licence	\$550.00 per annum
Firearm Certificate (Rifle)	\$200.00 per annum
Firearms Duplicate Book	\$15.00 per annum
Rifle Licence	\$300.00 per annum
Shot Gun Licence	\$150.00 per annum
Gun Import Certificate	\$150.00 per annum
Special Licence (Handgun)	\$750.00 per annum
Firearms dealers Licence	\$750.00 per annum
Antique Firearm Licence (one time fee)	\$300.00 per annum.