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MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

New Delhi, the _____

G.S.R. _____ - In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 21, 41 and 44 of the Arms Act, 1959 (54 of 1959), the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

THE ARMS RULES, 2015

General

1. Short title :- (1) These rules may be called the Arms Rules, 2015.

(2) They shall come into force on the _____.

2. Interpretation - In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires -

- (a) “Act” means the Arms Act, 1959 (54 of 1959);
- (b) “air weapon” means a device that discharges a projectile from a barrel under the pressure of compressed air or other gas but that does not employ an explosive charge to do so;
- (c) “antique small arm” means firearms manufactured before 1899;
- (d) “appellate authority” means the appellate authority referred to in rule 95;
- (e) “authority” or “officer” means, except where otherwise specifically provided in these rules, the district magistrate or such other officer as may, from time to time, be notified in the Official Gazette by the Central Government;
- (f) “blank cartridge” means a cartridge without a bullet or any other projectile;
- (g) “blank firing firearms” means firearms capable of firing a blank cartridge;

- (h) “bullet” means the conical head of the cartridge normally made of lead or copper that is expelled out of barrel or cylinder by means of explosive charge or compressed air or other gas;
- (i) “caliber” means the internal dia-meter or bore of the barrel of a firearm measured in inches or millimeters or geometric circumference;
- (j) “carry” means to bear a small arm, upon, about or in the proximity of one’s person;
- (k) “cartridge” means a complete object consisting of a cartridge case, primer, propellant, bullet or any single or multiple projectile;
- (l) “chartered accountant” means a chartered accountant as defined in clause (b) of sub-section (l) of section 2 of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and who has obtained a certificate of practice under sub-section (l) of section 6 of the Act;
- (m) “company” has the same meaning as that assigned to it in the *Explanation* under section 33;
- (n) “conversion” of firearm refers to a temporary or permanent change of caliber or bore of a firearm and includes replacement or relining or re boring of a barrel having an integral or separate chamber, replacement of cylinder and/or barrel or related parts and change in configuration of action or mechanism of a firearm.

Note –

does not include converting a permissible category firearm into a restricted or prohibited category firearm

- (o) “configured for military use” means firearms and ammunition (other than small arms and light weapons) manufactured and configured according to specifications set by the department of defence production, Ministry of Defence;
- (p) “curio” means a small arm manufactured at least 50 years prior to the current date or certified by the curator of a government regulated museum or that derives at least half of its monetary value from the fact that it is novel, rare, bizarre, or associated with some historical figure, period, or event and includes an antique small arm;

- (q) “deactivation” means to render a small arm or light weapon incapable of expelling or launching a shot, bullet, missile or other projectile by the action of an explosive, and which cannot be readily restored to its original capability, and that has been certified and marked as deactivated by an accredited gunsmith or a competent state authority.

Note

deactivation requires that all pressure-bearing components of a small arm or light weapon be permanently altered in such a way so as to render the weapon unusable. This includes modifications to the barrel, bolt, cylinder, slide, firing pin and receiver or frame.

- (r) “dealer” means a person who, by way of trade or business, buys, sells, tests (other than proof-test), exports, imports or transfers or keeps for sale, or test (other than proof-test) arms or ammunition;
- (s) “dedicated sports person” means a person who actively participates in sports-shooting and who is a member of an accredited sports shooting organization;
- (t) “electronic disabling device” means an electronic device capable of firing electrode projectiles propelled by compressed gas, which stays connected to the main unit or device by a conductive wire, and causes temporary neuro-muscular incapacitation of the target;
- (u) “Government arms and ammunition” –
- i. “Government arms” means a firearm or other weapon which is the property of Government;
 - ii. “Government ammunition” means ammunition manufactured in any Government factory or prepared for and supplied to Government other than such ammunition as may be released by Government for civilian use.
- (v) “gun-smith” means any person who performs work of minor or major repairs of firearms and subject to grant of prior permission of the licensing authority, may alter the caliber or barrel length of a firearm or perform such other work as may be specified;

- (w) “handgun” means a small arm with a short stock at an angle to and extending below the line of the barrel, that is designed to be held and fired with one hand and includes pistols and revolvers;
- (x) “in transit” means the conveyance through the Republic of India to another country firearms or ammunition that have been imported;
- (y) “firearm replica” means an object designed to resemble a firearm which has an appearance that is so realistic as to make it indistinguishable, for all practical purposes, from a real firearm but which is incapable, even with modification, of expelling or launching a shot, bullet or projectile by the action of an explosive charge or compressed air or any other gas;
- (z) “form” means a form as set out in Schedule III;
- (aa) “light weapon” means any man-portable weapon designed for use by two or three persons serving as a crew (although some may be carried and used by a single person) that expels or launches, is designed to expel or launch, or may be readily converted to expel or launch a shot, bullet or projectile by the action of an explosive.

Note : includes, inter alia, heavy machine guns, hand-held under barrel and mounted grenade launchers, portable anti-aircraft guns, recoilless rifles, portable launchers of anti-tank missile and rocket systems, portable launchers of anti-aircraft missile systems, and mortars of a caliber of less than 100 millimeters, as well as their parts, components and ammunition.
- (bb) “main firearm component” means the barrel, frame or receiver, slide, bolt or breech-block of a firearm;
- (cc) “manufacturer” means a person, who manufactures, sells, tests (other than proof-test), exports, imports or transfers or keeps for sale, or test (other than proof-test) fire arms, their parts, components or ammunition or arms other than firearms;
- (dd) “manufacturing” means making, producing or assembling
 - a) a complete firearm;

- b) a pressure-bearing part or component of a firearm (e.g. barrel, slide, cylinder, bolt, breech lock, firing pin etc.);
- c) ammunition for firearm; or
- d) an arm other than a firearm

Note:

Includes

- a) *reactivating a deactivated firearm; and*
- b) *substantially modifying the function of a firearm (e.g. conversion to fully automatic)*

Does not include

- a) *repair, restoration, maintenance or cosmetic enhancement or alteration of a firearm; nor*
- b) *the non-commercial reloading of ammunition*

- (ee) “marking” means application of permanent inscriptions on firearms, ammunition and ammunition packaging to permit their identification;
- (ff) “muzzle energy” means the kinetic energy of a projectile as it is expelled from the muzzle of a firearm and expressed in joules or ft-lbs;
- (gg) “NDAL” means National Database of Arms Licences;
- (hh) “paintball marker or paintball gun” means a device capable of firing paintballs or other projectiles by use of an expanding gas or compressed air, whether operated mechanically or electro-pneumatically;
- (ii) “parts and components” mean any element or replacement element specifically designed for a firearm and essential to its operation.

Note - Includes barrel, frame or receiver, slide or cylinder, bolt or breech block, and any device designed or adapted to diminish the sound caused by firing.

- (jj) “pistol” means a handgun with a chamber as an integral part of, or permanently aligned with, the barrel;
- (kk) “port” includes a seaport, an airport and a land port;
- (ll) “rimless” means a cartridge where the rim has the same diameter as the base of the case and used in fire-arms that feed from a box magazine;

- (mm) “rimmed cartridge” means where the rim has a significantly larger dia-meter than the base of the cartridge with the rim serving to hold the cartridge at the proper depth in the chamber;
- (nn) “revolver” means a handgun with a breech-loading, chambered cylinder so arranged that the cocking of the hammer or depression of the trigger rotates the cylinder and brings the next cartridge in line with the barrel for firing;
- (oo) “repair” of firearm may be minor or major –
- ‘*minor repair*’ includes cleaning, fixing slings, recoil pads, installation of pre-fabricated stock, general accessories, preservative packaging and ensuring accuracy or safe working of the firearm and its components.
- ‘*major repair*’ includes –
- a) *fabricating or replacing or working on* old, damaged, worn-out, eroded, shot out parts of firearms for the purposes of repair and safe functioning;
 - b) *making and replacing* stocks, grips (butt stock) and other parts;
 - c) *ensuring accuracy or safe working* of the firearm by means of carrying out work on complete barreled action, fabricating, shortening, fitting or adjusting optics, sights etc. and other components;
 - d) *making and installing* accessories and *tuning* fabricated parts;
 - e) *working on barrels and actions* (barrels, receivers or frames, bolts, slides and other components);
 - f) *Working on triggers, safeties and carrying out refinishing.*
- (pp) “responsible person” means in the case of a company, the person nominated in an application for an arms licence by a company.

Note

The responsible person may be appointed by way of passing a resolution or by issuing an authority letter, in writing, under the stamp and seal of the company and signed by the authorized office bearer or director of the company.

- (qq) “rifle” means a small arm designed to expel, through the action of an explosive, a single projectile through a rifled barrel, while supported against the shoulder and held with both hands;
- (rr) “schedule” means a schedule appended to these rules;
- (ss) “self-loading” means semi-automatic;
- (tt) “semi-automatic” means a small arm or light weapon that, after each discharge, automatically performs all of the steps necessary to prepare the weapon to fire again, but that requires a separate depression of the trigger to fire each round of ammunition;
- (uu) “shotgun” means a small arm designed to expel, through the action of an explosive, shot or a single projectile through a smooth-bored barrel, while supported against the shoulder and held with both hands;
- (vv) “small arms” mean any man-portable lethal weapon designed for individual use (of caliber up to 12.7 mm) that expels or launches, is designed to expel or launch, or may be readily converted to expel or launch a shot, bullet or projectile by the action of an explosive.

Note -1

Includes inter alia, revolvers and self-loading pistols, rifles and carbines, sub-machine guns, assault rifles and light machine guns, as well as their parts, components and ammunition;

In addition, shotguns, sporting rifles and muzzle loading black powder firearms, though of caliber more than 12.7 mm are also covered under small arms.

Note -2

Excludes antique small arms and firearms replica.

- (ww) “sport shooting” means competitive and recreational sports that involve tests of proficiency (accuracy and speed) using various types of firearms, ammunition and targets;
- (xx) “section” means a section of the Act;
- (yy) “trade transfer” means sale or transfer of arms or ammunition between a manufacturer and a dealer or between a dealer and another dealer during the normal

course of the business and includes a sale or transfer on consignment basis;

- (zz) “unloaded” means that any propellant, projectile or cartridge which can be discharged from the firearm is not contained in the breech-block or firing chamber of the firearm nor in the cartridge, magazine or cylinder attached to or inserted into the firearm;
- (aaa) “use” means application of a firearm and includes displaying, aiming and firing as well as manipulating the working parts of a firearm but does not include cleaning or maintenance;
- (bbb) “UIN” means Unique Identification Number generated in NDAL for a licensee under these rules.

3. Classification of arms and ammunition – For the purposes of the Act and these rules, arms and ammunition shall be of the categories specified in columns 2 and 3 respectively of Schedule I and references to any category of arms or ammunition in these rules shall be construed accordingly.

4. Licence for Arms other than fire-arms and applicability of Section 4 of the Act – (1) Unless the Central or State Government by notification in the Official Gazette so directs, no licence shall be required for the manufacture, sale, possession for sale or test, of arms of category V except in the areas notified under section 4.

(2) In any area specified in the notification issued by the Central Government under section 4, licence for acquisition, possession or carrying in that area of arms of such class or description as may be specified in that notification may also be granted or renewed as provided in Schedule II, subject to such conditions as are specified in rules, that Schedule and in the licence.

Licensing Procedures

5. Licensing authority and forms of licences: Licences under Chapter II of the Act may be granted or renewed for, such purposes, by such authorities, in such forms and to be valid for such period and in such areas as are specified in Schedule II, subject to such conditions as are specified in rules, that schedule and in the licence:

Provided that the licences granted or renewed by a licensing authority may be signed by such officer subordinate to that authority as may be specially empowered in this behalf by the State Government.

- 6. Restriction in granting licences for acquisition, possession or carrying of arms or ammunition of category I –** (1) (a) No licence shall be granted for acquisition, possession or carrying of arms or ammunition of categories I(b) and I(c), unless they have been legally manufactured in India or lawfully possessed or lawfully imported into India or are being imported into India with the sanction of the Central Government.

(b) A licence for acquisition, possession or carrying of ammunition of categories I(b) and I(c) shall be granted only if the licensing authority is satisfied that the ammunition is to be used with firearms which have been legally manufactured in India, lawfully possessed or lawfully imported into India and the amount of ammunition which the licensee may possess during each period of 12 months immediately succeeding the date of grant of licence shall be entered in the licence.

- 7. Licensing authorities to furnish information to the district magistrate –** (1) A copy of every licence granted for arms or ammunition of categories I(a), I(b), I(c) and II shall forthwith be sent to the district magistrate of the place in which the arms or ammunition are to be kept.

(2) A copy of every licence, in addition to those mentioned in sub-rule (1), granted in any form by any authority other than a district magistrate shall be sent forthwith to the district magistrate having jurisdiction over the area in which the place of business or residence of the licensee is situated.

(3) The licences generated under rule (1) and (2) shall also stand reflected and intimated on grant of licences through NDAL system to the district magistrate of the place having jurisdiction over the area in which the place of business or residence of the licensee is situated.

- 8. Possession of arms or ammunition for certain purposes to include use thereof –** Possession of the following arms or ammunition for the purposes mentioned against each includes use thereof, for such purposes only provided that such use does not involve manufacture of any arms or ammunition (including explosives and fire-works) :-

- (a) arms for theatrical performance, historical re-enactment, historical research (including assessment of performance), cinematograph or television production or signaling for starting races or athletic meets and safety equipment including signal flare guns, line throwing guns, avalanche cannon etc.;
- (b) ingredients of ammunition including sulphur and chlorates for *bona fide* industrial, agricultural or medicinal purposes.

9. Restrictions may be imposed by the Central Government –

Any licence having effect outside the State in which it is granted, shall be subject to any restrictions, which may be imposed by a general or special order of the Central Government.

10. Safe use and storage of firearms – (1) The applicants applying for a licence in Form II, Form III and Form IV shall be required to complete arms and ammunition safety training course from an accredited trainer or an accredited shooting club or association. The training shall include –

- a) basic arms and ammunition safety practices, including safe handling and carry procedures;
- b) firing techniques and procedures;
- c) care of arms and ammunition;
- d) safe storage and transportation of arms and ammunition;
- e) reasonable working knowledge of important provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and Arms Rules, 2015; and
- f) responsibilities of the arms owner or user, particularly in relation to children.

(2) Further the applicant(s) shall be required to –

- a) provide evidence that they have the capacity to store the weapon safely and securely in order to minimize the risk that it could be stolen or accessed by someone other than the licensee; and
- b) provide a written undertaking to practice safe storage of the weapon and its ammunition and to educate the children about the dangers of interacting with arms and ammunition;

(3) The licensing authority responsible for grant or renewal of licence shall get conducted periodic inspections of premises of companies, dealers, gunsmiths and manufacturers where arms and ammunition are stored in order to ensure compliance with safe storage requirements.

(4) The training and safe storage requirements specified in sub-rule (1) and (2), shall also be applicable to the rifle clubs or associations or firing ranges and the staff employed by them applying for a licence in Form V and to the manufacturers, dealers and gun-smiths and the staff employed by them, applying for a licence in Form VII, VII A, VIII, IX and IX-A.

11. Application for licence – Every application for the grant of a licence under these rules –

- (a) shall be submitted in Form 'A (1 to13)' as applicable to the category of licence applied;
- (b) may be presented by the applicant in person or sent through the medium of post office or filed in electronically or otherwise, to the licensing authority, as far as possible, having jurisdiction in respect of the place where he ordinarily resides or has his occupation;
- (c) where the grant of licence requires a certificate of no objection from some other authority as provided in rule 92, shall state whether such certificate has been obtained and, if so, shall be supported by evidence thereof either in physical form or by an electronically generated confirmation on NDAL system for the particular UIN of the applicant;
- (d) where an application is submitted for the grant of a licence for a special category, it shall be subject to the additional requirements specified for these categories separately under the rules;
- (e) where an application (Form A-1) is submitted by an individual for the grant of a licence in Form II, Form III or Form IV, it shall be accompanied by the following documents –
 - a) four passport size copies of the latest photograph of the applicant;
 - b) proof of date of birth;
 - c) identification proof – Aadhar Card;

- d) residence proof (Passport or Voter's Identification Card or Electricity Bill or Landline Telephone Bill or Rent Deed or Lease Deed or Property documents or any other document to the satisfaction of the licensing authority);
 - e) safe use and storage of firearms certificate as mentioned in rule 10;
 - f) self attested copies of the educational and professional qualification certificates, if applicable;
 - g) references in writing of two persons of good social standing recommending the applicant for grant of licence;
 - h) medical certificate about mental health and physical fitness of the applicant with specific mention that the applicant is not dependent on intoxicating or narcotic substances (as per format given in Appendix to Application Form A-1);
 - i) in case of an application for a licence in Form IV, the particulars specified in rule 34(2) and permit from the authority empowered under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972;
- (f) where an application (Form A-2) is submitted by a company for the grant of a licence in Form II or Form III, it shall be accompanied by the following documents –
- a) written undertaking on the letter head of the company applicant duly signed by the responsible person appointed vide clause (pp) of rule 2 for filing an application under the arms rules;
 - b) original copy of the resolution passed or an authority letter confirming the appointment of responsible person referred to in clause (a) above;
 - c) certified copies of the founding documents of the Company including Memorandum and Articles of Association;
 - d) safe use and storage of firearms certificate as mentioned in rule 10.

Provided that –

- (i) an application by a member of the armed forces of the Union shall be made through his Commanding Officer to the licensing authority having jurisdiction in respect of the place to which he is for the time being posted; and
 - (ii) the licensing authority may, in accordance with any instructions issued by the State Government in respect of all or any class of firearms, require the personal attendance of the applicant before granting or renewing the licence applied for.
- (f) The applicant shall not suppress any factual information or furnish any false or wrong information in the application form.

12. Criteria to be followed by licensing authorities for grant of a licence – (1) Save as otherwise provided in the Arms Act, 1959, the licensing authority while granting a licence in Form III to an individual for the restricted or permissible category of arms as specified in Schedule I of the rules shall keep in consideration the criteria laid down in this rule.

(2) For grant of a licence for the restricted category of arms or ammunition, the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs, based on the recommendations of the district magistrate and the concerned State Government accompanied by the police verification report and in addition thereto, a separate verification conducted from its own sources, wherever deemed necessary, may consider the applications –

- (a) of those persons who face grave and imminent threat to their lives by reason of –
 - i) being residents of a geographical area or areas where militants, terrorists or extremists are most active; or
 - ii) are held to be the prime targets in the eyes of militants, terrorists or extremists; or
 - iii) are known to be inimical to the aims and objectives of the militants, terrorists or extremists and as such face danger to their lives; or
- (b) of those Government officials who by virtue of the office occupied by them or by the nature of duties performed by them and/or in due discharge of their official duty have made themselves targets in the eyes of militants, terrorists or extremists and are vulnerable to militant, terrorist or extremist attacks; or

- (c) of those MPs and MLAs including non-officials or private persons, who by virtue of having been closely or actively associated with anti-militant, anti-terrorist or anti-extremist programmes and policies of the Government or by mere reason of their holding views, political or otherwise, not to the liking of the militants, terrorists or extremists, have rendered themselves vulnerable to attack by the militants, terrorists or extremists; or
- (d) of the family members or kith & kin of those who by the very nature of their duties or performance (past or present) or positions occupied in the Government (past or present) or even otherwise for known or unknown reasons have been considered vulnerable and have come to be regarded by the militants, terrorists or extremists as fit targets for elimination.

(3) For grant of a licence for the permissible category of arms or ammunition, the licensing authority, based on the recommendations contained in the police verification report and his own assessment, may consider the applications –

- (a) of those persons who face grave and imminent threat to their lives and/or property; or
- (b) of those persons who by the very nature of the business profession or job carried out by them are exposed to high risk to their lives;
- (c) of those Government officials, whether of Central or State Government or Government sector undertakings, who by virtue of the office occupied by them or by the nature of duties performed by them and/or in due discharge of their official duty are exposed to high risk to their lives; or
- (d) of those persons who hold position of eminence in the fields of art, sport, medical, legal, accounting or other technical professions and are exposed to high risk; or
- (e) of those MPs, MLAs and municipal corporates or members including non-officials or private persons, who by virtue of having been closely or actively associated with programmes and policies of the Government or by mere reason of their holding views, political or otherwise, have rendered themselves exposed to high risk; or

- (f) of the family members or kith & kin of those who by the very nature of their duties or performance (past or present) or positions occupied in the Government (past or present) or even otherwise for known or unknown reasons have been exposed to high risk to their lives; or
- (g) of those persons who are dedicated sports persons and active members for the last two years, of a shooting club or a rifle association, licensed under these rules and who want to pursue sport shooting for target practice in a structured learning process; or
- (h) of those persons whom the licensing authority considers fit for any other reason to be eligible for grant of licence based on the police verification report and on his own risk assessment.

(4) The licensing authority, after considering the applications filed under the criteria laid down in sub-rule (2) and (3), shall grant or refuse to grant a licence to any person by recording in writing the reasons for such grant or refusal.

13. Prescribed time limit for police verification under section 13 of the Act –

(1) On receipt of an application under Section 13(1) of the Act, the licensing authority shall call for a report of the officer-in-charge of the nearest police station on that application, and such officer shall send his report within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of application by him.

(2) The Central Government may by issuance of a general or special order, extend the period of thirty days as specified in sub-rule (1) up to ninety days for certain areas or states for any reasons deemed appropriate by it.

(3) The licensing authority may in case of non-receipt of police report within the prescribed time of thirty days as specified in sub-rule (1) or within the extended period of up to ninety days as specified in sub-rule (2), make an order in writing for grant or refusal of licence, without further waiting for that report.

14. Generation of U.I.N. and Consolidation of licences -

(1) The licensing authority and the renewing authority at the Centre or at the State or at the District level, while granting a license or renewing a licence, as the case may be, shall enter the data of the record locally in an electronic format duly approved by the Central Government.

(2) The licensing authority and the renewing authority shall also enter such data as are required in an electronic automated system (NDAL) as developed by the National Informatics Centre for this purpose and the NDAL system shall generate a unique identification number (UIN) without which no arms license shall be considered as valid with effect from the 1st October, 2015.

(3) The UIN so generated shall be unique for a licensee. Any licensee holding multiple licences in Form III shall be required to get his existing licences consolidated into a single licence and get the endorsement of the firearms on the new licence under his UIN by making an application to the concerned licensing authority on or before 1st October, 2015:

Provided that a new licence for restricted category shall be granted on a separate licence book by the licensing authority under the existing UIN where the licensee is already holding a licence for permissible category of firearms and in case the licensee holding a licence for restricted category applies for a licence for permissible category of firearms, the new licence for the permissible category shall be generated by the concerned licensing authority under the existing UIN of the licensee:

Provided further that separate licence books shall be generated in case of a person holding multiple licences in Form II or Form III or Form IV with the overall ceiling of three firearms as specified in section 3 of the Act, however the U.I.N. for the licensee shall remain the same for all types of licences held by him.

(4) The licensing authority on receipt of an application for consolidation as mentioned in sub-rule (3) shall cancel the multiple licences surrendered by the licensee and issue, in lieu thereof, a new licence by endorsing all the existing firearms on the said licence under the UIN of the licensee.

(5) The period of validity of the new licence in Form III as generated vide sub-rule (4) shall be taken, which is the farthest as mentioned in any of the cancelled licences. The area validity of the new licence shall be as mentioned in the cancelled licences. However for different area validities in cancelled licences, the area validity which is more extensive shall be endorsed on the new licence. Further, the licensing authority shall follow the prescribed procedure provided in NDAL system for consolidation of licences.

15. Accountability of the licensing authorities under NDAL – (1)

The licensing authority, while granting or renewing a licence or at the time of providing any allied service to any licensee under these rules shall ensure that the data of the transaction being approved by him, has been simultaneously updated in the electronic format locally and on the NDAL system under the log-in ID of the said licensing authority.

(2) Failure to ensure compliance under sub-rule (1) shall render the transaction invalid under the arms rules and considered as a failure in due discharge of duties by the concerned licensing authority.

16. Registration of licence with an outside licensing authority and change of address with the existing licensing authority–

(1) If a person who holds a licence in Form III changes his place of residence, permanently, or temporarily for more than six months, and carries with him the arms covered by the licence, to a place, other than indicated in column 3 of the licence, he shall, immediately before the expiry of period of six months, send intimation about such change to the licensing authority of the place of his new residence and shall on demand, forthwith produce the licence and the arm or arms to the new licensing authority by applying in Form B-1 for making necessary entry in the licence to indicate there in the particulars of the new residence of the licensee.

(2) The licensing authority of the new place of residence of the licensee shall within a period of fifteen days, register the licensee under its jurisdiction by following the procedures in the NDAL system wherein the UIN of the licensee shall stand activated & transferred to the new licensing authority and de-activated from the records of the original licensing authority or the last renewing authority as the case may be. On such jurisdictional transfer, such new authority shall be the licensing and the renewing authority in relation to the said licence and will be required to issue a new booklet to the licensee.

(3) Wherein the licensee changes his permanent place of residence within the jurisdiction of the existing licensing authority, he shall forthwith inform the same to the licensing authority with the proof of his new place of residence and if such change has resulted in change of jurisdiction of police station, information of the police station of his new place of residence. The licensing authority shall within a period of fifteen

days register the change of residence of the licensee by following the procedures in the NDAL system wherein the UIN of the licence shall stand activated under the new police station and de-activated from that of the last police station.

- 17. Permission for possession of arms to be acquired subsequent to the grant of licence** – When a licence is granted in Form II, Form III, Form IV or Form V for the possession of arms to be acquired by the licensee subsequent to the grant of the licence, the authority granting the licence shall at the time of granting the same direct that within a period of two years, the arms covered by the licence shall be acquired and that the licence or the arms or both shall be produced for his inspection and if within the said period of two years, the licensee fails to acquire the arms and to produce the licence, or the arms or both, as the case may be, the licence shall cease to be in force:

Provided that, the licensing authority may, extend the period of two years by a further period of one year, on the basis of a written representation received from the licensee and after recording the reasons for granting such an extension:

Provided further that, if during the period of two years or extended period of one year the licensee wishes to acquire and possess any arm or arms of a different description and the licensing authority has no objection to allow the acquisition and possession of such arm or arms, he may amend the licence accordingly:

Provided further that where the licensee changes his place of residence, he may produce the licence or arms or both for inspection before the licensing authority of the place of his new residence to which the licensee may have shifted after the grant of licence and authority who inspected the arms, after following the registration procedure laid down in rule 16, shall update the information on NDAL system:

Provided further that the provisions contained in this rule shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to any acquisition of additional arm which the licensee may desire to acquire subsequent to grant of licence on account of sale or transfer or disposal of an arm already possessed or otherwise as a fresh acquisition subject to the overall limit of three firearms as defined in section 3 of the Act.

18. Extension of Area Validity of licence – (1) On receipt of an application from a licensee holding a licence in Form III, the licensing authority may extend the area of validity specified in his licence, if he is satisfied about the need of such extension subject to the condition that the licensing authority has the power to grant a licence in relation to the area to which extension is being sought.

(2) The application for extending the area validity for whole of India may be granted by the licensing authority as specified in column 5 of Schedule II, for the following category of licensees –

- a) Sitting Union Ministers/Members of Parliament;
- b) Personnel of Military and Central Armed Police Forces;
- c) Officers of All-India Services;
- d) Officers in the Government or Government Sector Undertakings or Public Sector Undertakings with liability to serve anywhere in India;
- e) Dedicated Sports persons as defined in rule 2(s);

(3) In other cases, where the nature of business or profession of the applicant requires him to carry a firearm frequently beyond the existing jurisdiction and such a requirement may not be met by the issuance of a journey licence in Form XI of the rules, the application for extending the area validity for whole of India may be granted by the licensing authority as specified in column 5 of Schedule II.

19. Additional Licences for Individuals – (1) The holder of a licence in Form III, for permissible category of firearms as defined in Schedule I, may apply for permitting any two of his close relatives residing with him at the address given in the licence for additional licences to possess, carry or use any of the arms or ammunition covered by his licence for sport, target practice, protection or display subject to the fulfillment of the eligibility conditions under the Act and the rules by the proposed additional licensee.

(2) The criteria laid down in rule 12 shall not be applicable to such an additional licensee under this category provided the police report regarding antecedent verification of the additional licensee does not mention any adverse comments.

(3) The additional licence shall bear a separate licence number and allotted a separate UIN for the additional licensee. However, the additional licensee shall not be allowed to acquire any arms or ammunition on his licence. The arms and ammunition endorsed on the parent licence shall be permitted to be endorsed on the additional licence.

(4) The additional licensee is restrained from possessing any licence in Form III in his individual capacity at the time of making an application for grant of additional licence by the parent licensee. Further, the additional licensee is also restrained from obtaining a licence in his individual capacity during the period he holds an additional licence under this category.

(5) Necessary endorsements shall be made both on the parent and additional licence giving cross reference of the other licence and the arms and ammunition endorsed. The period of validity and the area validity of the additional licence shall be *pari-passu* with that of the parent licence. The validity of additional licences shall lapse with the parent licence and if in any eventuality the parent licence is suspended, revoked or cancelled, the additional licences shall also be subject to the same legal consequence.

(6) The additional licensee is not permitted to sell or transfer the arms and ammunition endorsed on his licence. In case the holder of an additional licence shifts temporarily or permanently from the premises of the parent licensee, such additional licence will automatically lapse and the person to whom such additional licence was issued, shall be required to return his licence to the licensing authority and the responsibility for furnishing such intimation to the licensing authority, shall be that of the parent licensee.

(7) The parent licensee may request the licensing authority to revoke or cancel the licence of any of the additional licensee by submitting an application along with the original licence and in all such cases, the licensing authority shall revoke or cancel the licence of the additional licensee.

Explanation –

For the purposes of this rule, ‘close relatives’ mean spouse, son, daughter, brother and sister.

20. Retainers for Companies– (1) A licence in Form II or III granted to a company for the protection of its premises or property shall be in the name (with designation) of the responsible person who shall be accountable and responsible for the custody of the arms and ammunition. The name of a servant or any other employee entrusted with the arms and ammunition for guarding the premises or property of the company shall be entered as a retainer in the appropriate column of the licence.

(2) The licensing authority shall issue to the licensee a permit in Form III-B for each of such retainers shown in the licence. The permit shall remain in the personal custody of the responsible person of the company and shall be handed over to the retainers when they are entrusted with the arms and ammunition covered by the licence:

Provided that the licensee at the time of making application for retainer shall submit along with the application in prescribed form, four recent passport size photographs of the retainer to be appointed and the proof of his employment with the company:

Provided further that the licensing authority, shall obtain a report from the Police about the antecedents of the retainer and take into consideration such report before admitting him as a retainer.

(3) On application from a company holding a licence in Form II or Form III for a change in the designation of the responsible person of the company in whose name the licence has been granted or of a retainer included in the licence, the necessary amendments may be made in the licence by the licensing authority.

21. Retainers for Exemptees – (1) A licence in Form III-A for possession and carrying of arms or ammunition may be granted to a person nominated to be his retainer by a person exempted from licensing requirements:

Provided that the retainer shall have no right, independent of the person so exempted, to use the arms or ammunition covered by the licence, and the licence shall cease to be in force on the day on which the person so exempted has ceased to be an exemptee, or the retainer has ceased to be in the service of the exemptee.

(2) The licensing authority shall obtain a report from the Police, about the antecedents of the retainer appointed under sub-rule (1) and take into consideration such report before admitting him as a retainer in a licence granted in Form III-A.

- 22. Restriction on the quantity of ammunition –** (1) For the purposes of the Act and these rules, quantity of ammunition for the licences granted in Form II, III or IV for all categories of weapons shall be restricted as under –

Maximum purchasable during a calendar year (per weapon)	100
Maximum to be possessed at any given time (per weapon)	50

(2) The licensing authority with the approval of the state government may allow a higher quantity of ammunition in exceptional cases on merits and on the basis of good and sufficient reasons to be recorded in writing.

(3) The Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs may grant exemption from the limits laid down in sub-rule (1) by issuance of a general or special order in this regard.

- 23. Renewal of licences –** (1) Every licence may, at its expiration and subject to the same conditions (if any) as to the grant thereof, be renewed by the authority mentioned in Schedule II as renewing authority:

Provided that the licence so renewed may be signed in the appropriate column of the licence by such officer as may be specifically empowered in this behalf by the State Government under rule 5.

(2) An application for renewal of a licence for arms or ammunition shall be filed in the form wherein specified and lodged at least 60 days prior to the expiry of the said licence with the licensing authority along with the documents wherein specified. For arms and ammunition deposited under sub-rule (1) of rule 46, the renewal application may be filed either by the depositor, or where it is not practicable to make the application direct, through the dealer or any other person authorized by him in writing in this behalf, while the arms or ammunition continue to be so deposited.

(3) The authority issuing a licence shall ordinarily be responsible for watching all future renewals of the licence. However where a licensee notifies a change of his place of residence, permanently or temporarily for more than six months, to the district in which the renewal is sought, the licensing authority of such district shall thenceforward become responsible for watching all future renewals of his licence. The new renewing authority shall after registering the licensee under its own jurisdiction as per the provisions laid down in rule 16 and carrying out the renewal of the licence, forthwith inform the original issuing or last renewing authority of the fact of renewal and the period for which such renewal is valid and further follow the procedure specified in NDAL system in this regard.

(4) The licensing authority may consider an application for renewal of a licence, if the period between the date of its expiry and the date of application is not, in his opinion, unduly long with due regard to the circumstances of the case, and all renewal fees are paid; otherwise the application may be treated as one for grant of a fresh licence.

24. Grant of licences to legal heirs – (1) The licensing authority may grant a licence to the legal heir of a licensee in Form II, III or IV –

- a) after the death of the licensee; or
- b) wherein the licensee is still alive but has attained the age of 70 years or has held the weapon for 25 years or more to any legal heir nominated by him,

subject to the fulfillment of the eligibility conditions under the Act and the rules by the said legal heir or nominated legal heir. The criteria laid down in rule 12 shall not be applicable to the said legal heir or nominated legal heir under this category.

(2) In the case of death of a licensee, wherein he leaves more than one legal heir, the family members may decide amongst themselves if they wish to retain the arms of the deceased or to dispose them off. In case they wish to retain the arm(s), one of the legal heirs nominated by all other legal heirs may apply for a licence under sub-rule (1). The application shall be filed along with the no-objection certificates from the remaining legal heirs and an indemnity bond executed by the applicant giving full details of the licence, the arm(s) endorsed thereon and a copy of the death certificate of the deceased licensee.

(3) Wherein the legal heirs decide to dispose of the arm(s) endorsed on the licence of the deceased licensee as mentioned in sub-rule (2), they may apply to the licensing authority for grant of a limited period permission to sell the arm(s) within the time allowed by him to any licensed dealer or to any other person entitled to possess an arm under these rules.

(4) The term 'legal heirs' as mentioned in sub-rule (1), includes husband, wife, son, daughter, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother, sister and grand children of the licensee or deceased licensee.

- 25. Certain licences to be in book form** – A licence in Form II, Form III, Form IV or Form V as generated under the UIN of the licensee in NDAL system shall be in a book form serially numbered and strictly as per the formats specified in the rules and in case of individuals shall contain the latest photograph of the licensee:

Provided that the licence books for restricted and permissible category of firearms shall be of dark maroon and navy blue colours respectively to make an apparent distinction:

Provided further that the licensing authorities may get the licence books printed and serially numbered locally and levy fee for providing licence books as specified in Schedule IV.

- 26. Fees payable for licences** – (1) (a) Every licence granted or renewed under these rules shall, save as herein otherwise expressly provided, be chargeable with the fee (if any) specified in Schedule IV.

(b) In any case where fee is prescribed for a year, fee for a fraction of a year shall be the same as for a whole year.

(2) Where a licensee submits his application for renewal of his licence after the expiry of the period for which the licence was granted, the licensing authority may, if he decides to renew the licence, at his discretion levy –

- (a) full fee as for initial grant of the licence; and
- (b) a late fee not exceeding the amount of the licence fee, if fee is charged, or Rs. 1000 in other cases, if he is satisfied that the delay is not justifiable or excusable, nor serious enough to warrant revocation of the licence or prosecution of the licensee:

Provided that if an application for renewal for a licence in Form III is made within one month after the date of expiry, no late fee may be leviable.

(3) The Central Government may, by issuance of a general or special order and for reasons to be recorded in writing and subject to such conditions, if any, as it may specify in the order, grant exemption from, or reduction of, the fee payable in respect of any licence:

Provided that it shall be a condition of every exemption from payment of the fee chargeable in respect of the grant or renewal of any licence in Form III that if application for renewal of such licence is not made within one month from the date on which the licence expires, the licensing authority may, unless the applicant satisfies the licensing authority that he had sufficient cause for not making the application within that period, levy renewal fee at the rate specified in Schedule IV.

(4) Differential fee shall be chargeable in respect of a change of description of the weapon entered in a licence granted for its acquisition under second proviso to rule 17, if the licence fee in respect of the weapon so changed is higher than that for the original weapon.

27. Fee payable for copies and duplicates – Where a licence granted or renewed under these rules is lost or accidentally destroyed, the authority empowered to grant such licence may grant a duplicate on payment of the fee with which the original licence was chargeable.

28. Collection of fees – All fees payable shall be paid in cash at the time of application.

Others

29. Inspection of arms by the licensing authority – The authority by whom any licence in Form II, Form III, Form IV or Form V has been granted or renewed, may, for the purpose of satisfying itself that any arms covered by such licence are still in the possession of the licensee at the time of renewal or at any time while the licence is in force, by order in writing require the licensee to produce the arms at such time and place for inspection of such officer as may be specified in the order.

- 30. Production of licences** – (1) Any person who holds a licence granted or renewed, or a permit or certificate granted under these rules shall forthwith produce such licence, permit or certificate upon demand by any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of an officer-in-charge of a police station.
- (2) While granting or renewing a licence, no authority shall impose a condition inconsistent with sub-rule (1).
- 31. Restrictions on carrying of firearm in public place** – (1) No person may carry a firearm in a public place unless the firearm is carried –
- (a) in the case of a handgun –
 - i) in a holster or similar holder designed, manufactured or adapted for the carrying of a handgun and attached to his person; or
 - ii) in a rucksack or similar holder; or
 - (b) in the case of another firearm, in a holder designed, manufactured or adapted for the carrying of a firearm.
- (2) A firearm contemplated in sub-rule (1) must be completely covered and the person carrying the firearm must be able to exercise effective control over such firearm.
- (3) Brandishing, carrying or discharge of firearms in any public place is strictly prohibited.
- (4) Violation of any of the restrictions laid down in sub-rule (1) to (3) shall be considered as breach of the conditions of the licence granted liable to revocation of the licence and seizure of the firearm in addition to the punitive provisions under the Arms Act, 1959 and any other applicable laws.
- 32. Correction of Information** – (1) Any request to correct the information regarding the details of the holder of a licence or the information on a licence uploaded in the NDAL system must be made by submitting a written application together with any supporting documents, to the concerned licensing authority.
- (2) Where an application referred to in sub-rule (1) concerns the detail of a firearm which is incorrectly reflected on a licence, the licensing authority may call for the physical inspection of the firearm to confirm the details of the firearm or call for a certificate from a gun smith holding a licence in Form IX.

(3) The gun smith holding a licence in Form IX shall issue a certificate which must state the action, design, type, make, model, caliber and serial number or additional marking of the firearm.

(4) The correction of information will take place at no cost to the applicant where the error in uploading the information was attributable on the part of the licensing authority.

33. Identification marks on fire-arms – (1) A person, who has in his possession any firearm which does not bear distinctly a manufacturer's name, number or other identification mark shall get the identification mark stamped on the firearm after obtaining prior approval of the licensing authority which will consist –

(a) such distinct letters as may be prescribed for the purpose by the State Government;

(b) serial number of the of the arms licence or UIN; and

(c) the year of stamping,

in that order on the barrel and the frame, or the barrel and the receiver of the firearm.

(2) When an imported firearm kept for sale by a dealer does not bear the manufacturer's name, such distinguishing mark of the importer as allotted by the State Government shall be engraved on the barrel and the frame, or the barrel and the receiver of the firearm after obtaining the prior permission of the licensing authority. If a barrel bears more than one number, the distinguishing mark shall be affixed to the number appearing on the original invoice. When the manufacturer's number appears only on the trigger-guard or other replaceable part that number shall also be engraved on the barrel and the frame, or the barrel and the receiver of the firearm.

Special categories of licences

34. Licence for destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops – (1) The grant of arms licences for this category is subject to the provisions of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, in respect of the States and Union Territories where the said Act is applicable.

(2) The application under this category for grant of a licence in Form IV shall specify details of the land and cultivation requiring protection and area in which the arms and ammunition are required to be carried.

(2) Where, after the end of any harvest season, the State Government considers it expedient that for the protection of wild life in any area, any arms or ammunition licensed in Form IV should be deposited in a police station or with a licensed dealer, it may, by order, require any licensee to deposit such arms or ammunition for such period as the arms or ammunition are not required for the purposes for which the licence is granted and as may be specified therein, and thereupon the licensee shall be bound to comply with such order.

Target Practice/Rifle Associations/Firing Ranges

- 35. Licence for training and target practice** – (1) Any person below the age of twenty one years but not below the age of twelve years may be allowed to use a permissible category of arms for the purposes of training in the use of such arms in the immediate presence, or, under the direct supervision and guidance, of an adult instructor or the licensee:

Provided that, no person below the age of twenty one years, shall be allowed to carry any permissible category of arms requiring a licence in a public place except in the immediate presence and supervision of the person who is lawfully entitled to carry such arms.

Explanation – For the purpose of this rule, an ‘adult’ means a person who has completed the age of twenty-one years.

(2) Any person who applies for a licence to possess a permissible category of arms in Form III in order to practice sport shooting shall be required to show evidence that he regularly participates in such activities or that he is in a structured learning process.

(3) The use of arms that are licensed for the purpose of sport shooting shall be limited to practice and competition at sport shooting clubs or at shooting ranges registered or affiliated to the respective state rifle association or National Rifle Association of India or Sports Authority of India.

(4) A dedicated sports person, holding a licence in Form III shall be able to lend his arms temporarily for a period not exceeding a fortnight for the purpose of sport only to another dedicated sports person lawfully entitled to possess such type of arms and subject to the conditions that: -

- (a) the arm is used by the borrower in the presence of the licence holder or under his written authority, which shall show the number and other identification marks of the arm and the period for which it is lent;
- (b) in the event of the arm being misused by, or stolen or lost due to the gross negligence of the borrower, the licence of the lender thereof shall be liable to be revoked and the borrower shall be liable to be prosecuted under the provisions of the Arms Act and other applicable penal provisions; and
- (c) the borrower shall, on demand produce proof of such lending.

(5) Wherein the borrower of a arms as mentioned in sub-rule (4), in absence of the lender, intends to take the arms and ammunition to a shooting range for training or target practice or participation in a shooting competition, he shall be required to carry a written authority in Form V (A) signed by the lender in respect of the arms and ammunition and in the area and for the period specified in the said written authority along with a certified copy of the arms licence of the lender. Where the arms or ammunition are intended to be taken out of the state, the written authority shall be attested by the licensing authority of the district where such lender is registered.

36. Licence for Sport Shooting Association – (1) Sport shooting associations or clubs or a military mess applying for a licence in Form V must be affiliated to the respective State Rifle Association or National Rifle Association of India before being eligible to acquire and possess arms and ammunition that are used and/or stored at their premises.

(2) The applicant for a licence in Form V, shall be required to file along with the application, at the time of initial grant and every subsequent renewal thereof, the following documents, as may be applicable –

- a) its constitution and membership rules;
- b) the lists of office bearers and permanent members;

- c) particulars of the accredited shooting range for training and target practice;
- d) details of the training/target practice activities undertaken for promoting or encouraging the sport of shooting;
- e) details of the shooting sport tournaments or events conducted;

(3) The provisions relating to safe storage of arms and ammunition as contained in rule 10 shall also be applicable to a licence granted under this category and the licensee shall maintain complete records of the ammunition consumed by the entity and/or its members.

(4) Where a licence in Form V has been granted in the name of any sport shooting association or club or a military mess, it shall be lawful for any member of such mess, club or association to use the arms or ammunition covered by such licence at the approved shooting range mentioned in the licence for the purpose of training and target practice subject to the conditions of the licence.

(5) Wherein a member of a rifle club or association intends to take the arms and ammunition out of the premises of the club or association for the purpose of repair or to a shooting range for training or target practice or for participation in a shooting competition, he shall be required to carry a pass in Form V (B) signed by the President or Secretary of the club or association in respect of the arms and ammunition and in the area and for the period specified in the pass. Where the arms or ammunition are intended to be taken out of the state, the pass shall be attested by the licensing authority of the district where such club or association is registered.

(6) The maximum limits of firearms which may be possessed by the rifle club or association under a licence granted in Form V, shall be governed by the following table –

Nature of Firearm	Maximum Quantity
Handguns (Revolver/Pistol)	100
Rifles	200
Shotguns	200

37. Licence for Shooting Ranges – (1) The applicant, applying for registration of an indoor or an outdoor private shooting range, shall be required to meet the technical and security standards which may be laid down by the Central Government in this regard by passing a general or special order.

(2) The licensing conditions include a requirement for owners/operators of shooting ranges to have in place adequate financial arrangements to meet any injury or damage claims requiring third party insurance covers or mandatory bank guarantees or bond requirements. Ranges managed by military, central armed police forces and state police departments shall normally cover their own risk as per the departmental guidelines.

(3) The Sports Authority of India and the National Rifle Association of India shall conduct regular inspection of their affiliated associations or bodies, owning or operating such ranges at regular intervals to ensure the strict adherence of safety standards and other norms laid down for shooting ranges. Further the licensing authority may also conduct periodic or surprise inspection of all categories of firing ranges falling under its jurisdiction to ensure the adherence to technical and security conditions applicable to such ranges.

(4) Practical training regarding the safe and efficient handling of arms and testing of arms during which ammunition will be fired, may only be undertaken at a shooting range that holds a licence in Form V.

38. Licence for Accredited Trainers – (1) The applicants applying for a licence to act as accredited trainers for imparting training shall be required to file an application in form specified for grant of a licence under the rules.

(2) The applicants shall be required to meet the eligibility criteria and successfully clear the qualification test to be conducted before applying for a licence under sub-rule (1). The policy guidelines for conduct of examination for various categories of trainers may be specified by the Central Government by passing a special or general order in this regard.

(3) The licensed accredited trainers will be eligible to impart training at the licensed shooting ranges to dedicated sports persons and other applicants for an arms licence in Form II, III or IV. Further they shall be authorized to counter sign the

training certificates to be issued to the various categories of trainees on the successful completion of stipulated training programme.

39. Quantity of Ammunition to Sports Persons, Shooting Associations etc. –

The quantity of ammunition allowed to various categories of Sports persons and Shooting Sport Organizations shall be as per the limits laid down in the table given below –

S.No.	Persons or class of persons	Weapon Type	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition	
			<i>To be possessed at any one time</i>	<i>Purchasable during the year</i>
1	Arjuna Awardee	All	100000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>	200000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>
2	International Medalist/ Renowned Shooter	Rifle/Pistol .22 LR; Center Fire Rifles with calibres up to 8 mm; Revolver/Pistols; Shotguns of calibre up to 12 bore/gauge	50000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>	100000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>
3	Junior Target Shooter	Rifle/Pistol .22 LR	10000	30000
4	Aspiring Shooter	Rifle/Pistol .22 LR; Center Fire Rifles with calibres upto 8 mm; Revolver/Pistols; Shotguns of calibre up to 12 bore/gauge	15000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>	30000 <i>for all types of weapons collectively</i>

5	Other Shooters (not falling under S.No. 1 to 4 above) holding valid arms licences and who are also the members of National Rifle Association of India or Affiliated State Rifle Association (s) of NRAI or Shooting Clubs/ District Rifle Association affiliated with State Rifle Association	.22 LR Rifle/Pistol	500	1000
		Any other Pistol/ Revolver caliber	300	600
		Any other Rifle/ Shotgun caliber	200	500
6	National Rifle Association of India. Affiliated State Rifle Association(s) with NRAI. Shooting Clubs/ District Rifle Association(s) affiliated with State Rifle Association. All shooting Clubs affiliated to the State Rifle Association or the National Rifle Association of India.	Upper limit on the quantity of ammunition, to be decided by the licensing authority based on the recommendations of the Certifying Body		

	All Shooting Ranges under the Sports Authority of India or the Sports Authority of the State Governments.	
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Explanation –

For the purposes of this rule –

(a) Certifying bodies and conditions for certification are as per the following table:

S.No.	Category of Sports Person	Certifying Body	Certifying Conditions
1	Arjuna Awardee	Government of India in the Department of Sports, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports	The certificate shall state that the award was conferred for excellence as a shooter
2	International Medalists/ Renowned Shooters	National Rifle Association of India (NRAI)	The certificate shall state that the Medal has been won by the International Medalists in the International Championships and in case of Renowned Shooters the Merit Certificate shall mention the Qualifying Score along with the Minimum Qualifying Score (MQS) for the event as specified by NRAI.
3 & 4	Junior Target Shooter/Aspiring Shooter	National Rifle Association of India or the approved or affiliated State Rifle Association(s) of NRAI	The Certificate shall mention the Qualifying Score along with the Minimum

			Qualifying Score for the event as specified by NRAI or the State Rifle Association.
5	Other Shooters	National Rifle Association of India or Affiliated State Rifle Association(s) of NRAI or Shooting Clubs/District Rifle Association affiliated with State Rifle Association.	The Certificate shall state the Membership and other details of the shooter
6	Shooting Clubs/ District Rifle Associations affiliated with State Rifle Associations or National Rifle Association of India	State Rifle Association or National Rifle Association of India as applicable	
	State Rifle Association	National Rifle Association	
	National Rifle Association	Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports	
	Shooting Ranges	Sports Authority of India/Sports Authority of the State Government/National Rifle Association of India	

- (b) 'International Championship' means the Asian Games, the Asian Shooting Championship, the Asian Women or Asian Junior Shooting Championship, the Commonwealth Games, the Commonwealth Shooting Championships, the Olympic Games, the World Junior or Senior Shooting Championships and the World Cups in Senior as well Junior events;
- (c) 'International Medalist' means a person who has won an individual or team medal in an International Championship;

- (d) 'Renowned Shooter' means a person who has participated in a National Shooting Championship in an Open Men's Event or Open Women's Event or Open Civilian's Event whether through Qualifying Tournament or Wild Card Entry conducted in accordance with the rules of International Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) and has attained the Minimum Qualifying Score prescribed by the National Rifle Association;
- (e) 'Junior Target Shooter' means a person who has completed the age of twelve years but is below the age of twenty one years and has taken part in at least one State Championship (held once a year) or in the Zonal Championship or National Level Shooting Competition recognized by National Rifle Association and/or by respective State Rifle Association;
- (f) 'Aspiring Shooter' means a person who has taken part in at least one State Championship (held once a year) or in the Zonal Championship or National Level Shooting Competition recognized by National Rifle Association and/or by respective State Rifle Association and attained the prescribed Minimum Qualifying Score specified by the National Rifle Association of India.

Licences to Museums

40. Licence to Museums – (1) The applicant for a licence for display of arms and ammunition must possess due accreditation with the Ministry of Culture and registration under any of the Central or State Acts.

(2) The application must be accompanied by a description of the display mechanisms that will be used to display the arms or ammunition and acceptable documentary proof that the display will be in an accredited museum.

(3) The applicant must file along with the application, description and specifications of the security measures pertaining to the storage, transport and safe custody of the arms or ammunition to be displayed, a description of the access control to the museum where the arms or ammunition will be displayed along with a certificate that the museum will be open for public.

(4) The arms and ammunition will be displayed or stored under the control of the appointed curator of the museum or a person authorized thereto in writing by the curator, who will ensure that any physical access to the arms and ammunition will be under his personal control and that all necessary steps will be taken to prevent the loss of the arms and ammunition.

(5) The arms and ammunition will only be used for the display and/or storage by the museum at the registered premises of the museum as mentioned in the licence.

(6) The licensee may display a firearm only if –

- (a) the firearm is unloaded as defined in clause (zz) of rule 2;
- (b) the firearm is secured by a chain or metal cable that is passed through the trigger guard with one end of the chain or cable attached to a wall or permanent fixture, in such a manner as to prevent the removal of the firearm by a person other than the curator or a person authorized by him;
- (c) the firearm is rendered inoperable by means of a secure locking device and displayed at a place and in a manner that is accessible only to the curator or a person authorized by him.

Licences for use in theatrical, film or television productions

41. Licence to provide arms and ammunition for the defined use

(1) Subject to the provisions of rule 8, an applicant who applies for a licence for acquisition, possession, carry or use of arms and ammunition may be issued a licence in Form III for the following purposes –

- i) for theatrical performances and of rehearsals for such performances;
- ii) in the production of films;
- iii) in the production of television programmes;
- iv) for the organization and holding of historical re-enactments;
- v) for signaling for starting races or athletic meets.

(2) The application for a licence under this category shall be submitted along with the following documents –

- a) an undertaking confirming that the applicant shall not resort to conversion of firearms replica and blank firing firearms into firearms;
- b) the proof to the satisfaction of the licensing authority if he is an actual user or a contractor for providing such arms or ammunition on hire for the purposes defined in sub-rule (1);
- c) a description of the safe custody facilities and safety control procedures regarding the safeguarding of arms or ammunition to be utilized by the applicant;
- d) an undertaking that the applicant or the person to whom the arms are given on hire, shall not use live ammunition;
- e) details of the place where the records in respect of the issuance of arms or ammunition will be kept for inspection by the licensing authority or any police officer not below the rank of an Inspector.

Temporary Import/Export Licences to tourists/sports persons & others

42. Acquisition, possession and export of arms or ammunition by tourists visiting India – (1) A licence in Form VI may be granted to any tourist, to acquire, possess (but not use) during the course of his stay in, carrying and export out of India, of category III, IV and V of arms and ammunition (Made in India):

Provided that every application for the grant of a licence for export of category IV arms shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Director-General of Archaeology of the Central Government to the effect that the arms intended to be exported do not fall within the definition of “antiquity” under the Antiquities and Treasures Act, 1972.

(2) The licensee shall produce the arms or ammunition, at the time of leaving India and return his licence to the passport checking authority, or other authority empowered by the district magistrate in this behalf, at the port or other place of departure from India.

(3) The passport checking authority or other authority to whom the licence is returned by the licensee, shall forward the same to the authority who issued it, with the remarks that the arms or ammunition have been duly exported.

43. Licence to an International sports person for participation in shooting events in India – (1) A licence in Form VI may be

granted of category III of arms and ammunition to any sports person from any country who is eligible to participate in the shooting competition or event or series of competitions or series of events being organized in India by any sports body recognized by the Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs, Government of India during the period of the event or competition and at the venue fixed for the same, so far as practicable, six months prior to the expected date of arrival of the sports person in India.

(2) The licence in the case of a group application may be issued in the name of the manager or the official accompanying the team or group and the details of the arms and ammunition may be given in an annexure attached and forming part of the licence by the issuing licensing authority.

(3) When a licence is granted to an International sports person or persons under sub rule (1), the licence together with the passport/visa of such person, shall be presented to the licensing authority of the port of arrival, and the said authority shall after obtaining the undertaking referred to in sub-rule (4)(a), endorse the licence making it valid for a period of six months or till the validity of visa, whichever is earlier, from the date of endorsement and shall also make an entry in the passport/visa giving full particulars of the arms and ammunition for which the licence has been granted.

(4) (a) The licensing authority shall obtain an undertaking in writing from the licensee that he shall not sell or transfer the arms or ammunition to any one in India.

(b) The licensee shall produce the arms or ammunition at the time of leaving India and return his licence to the passport checking authority, or other authority empowered by the district magistrate in this behalf, at the port or other place of departure from India.

(c) The passport checking authority or other authority to whom the licence is returned by the licensee, shall forward the same to the authority who issued it, with the remarks that the arms or ammunition have been duly re-exported.

44. Other Temporary Categories of Import/Export Licences – (1)

A licence in Form VI may be granted of category III of arms and ammunition, so far as practicable, six months prior to the

expected date of arrival of the person in India, to the following persons –

- (a) to a foreign visitor to display the arms and ammunition at a trade show or at a sport trade show;
- (b) to an official of a foreign government or a distinguished foreign visitor or to a foreign law enforcement officer on an officially approved policing assignment on the recommendations of the Government of India in the Ministry of External Affairs;
- (c) to a person who, for other legitimate reasons, has received the prior approval of the Government of India and where the applicant can demonstrate –
 - i) the lawful possession of the arm;
 - ii) knowledge of the safe handling and use of the arm in question through the possession of a licence for the arm;
 - iii) knowledge of the Indian laws relating to arms and ammunition including the rules relating to the use, safe-storage and handling of arms and where applicable their public display;
 - iv) a need to possess the arm;
 - v) that the applicant cannot reasonably satisfy that need by means other than the possession of an arm; and
 - vi) that he is at least 21 years old.

(2) The validity of the licence so granted shall commence only from the date of endorsement of the said licence at the time of arrival at any Indian port and the arms and ammunition covered by the licence shall not be used till the date of endorsement of the licence.

(3) Where a licence is granted to any person under sub rule (1), the licence together with the passport/visa of the person, shall be presented to the licensing authority of the port of disembarkment, and the said authority shall after obtaining the undertaking referred to in sub-rule (4), endorse the licence making it valid for a period of six months from the date of endorsement or till the validity of visa, whichever is earlier and shall also make an entry in the passport/visa giving full particulars of the arms and ammunition for which the licence has been granted.

(4) The licensing authority shall obtain an undertaking in writing from the licensee that he shall not sell or transfer the arms or ammunition to any one in India.

(5) The passport-checking authority or any other officer empowered by the district magistrate in this behalf at the port or other place of departure from India shall verify that the arms entered in the licence are being taken out of India by the licensee and recover the licence and forward the same to the authority who issued it with the remarks that the arms have been duly re-exported.

Deposit of Weapons

45. Deposit of arms and ammunition under section 21 – (l) When a licensing authority decides to suspend or revoke a licence or to refuse to renew it, he shall, while communicating his decision in writing to the licensee, inform him that –

(a) under section 21(1) he is required to deposit within such time as may be specified in the order suspending, revoking or refusing to renew the licence, the arms or ammunition covered by the licence, either with the officer-in-charge of the nearest police station or with a dealer holding a licence in Form VIII, or, in case he is a member of the armed forces of the Union, in the unit armoury:

Provided that in case of death of a licensee, the arms or ammunition shall be deposited by the legal representative with the officer-in-charge of the nearest police station or with a dealer holding a licence in Form VIII, within a period of three months of the date of death of the licensee.

(b) subject to the proviso to section 21(2), during the period prescribed in the table given in sub-rule (4), he or, in the case of his death, his legal representative is entitled to sell or otherwise dispose of the arms or ammunition to any person lawfully entitled to possess the same and to receive the sale-proceeds, if any; and

(c) if the arms or ammunition have not been disposed of or their possession by the licensee or his legal representative, as the case may be, has not become lawful within the prescribed period they shall, subject to the proviso to section 21(3), be forfeited to Government by order of the district magistrate.

(2) Where any arm or ammunition is deposited by an owner under section 21(1), in a police station or unit armoury or with a dealer holding a licence in Form VIII , the officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury or the licensed dealer, as the case may be, shall attach to each article deposited, a card and issue a receipt to the depositor and send a copy to the authority who granted the licence or renewed it last, containing the following particulars:-

Deposit under section 21(1)		
1.	Description (No. etc.) of the article	
2.	Particulars of licence / exemption (if any)	
3.	Name and address of the depositor	
4.	Serial No. in register and date of deposit	
5.	Date due for forfeiture/disposal	
Signature of the depositor		
Signature of the dealer or Officer in charge of police station/unit armoury		

(3)(a) (i) Any arms or ammunition deposited in a unit armoury under section 21(1) may, unless returned or disposed of earlier, be transferred, after the expiry of a period of 30 days after such deposit to the nearest police station;

(ii) any arms or ammunition deposited in a police station under Section 21(1) which have not been returned or disposed of within 30 days of the deposit and the arms or ammunition transferred under clause (i) may be transferred for the sake of better maintenance or safety to a police armoury in the district/taluqa headquarters or such other place as may be specified by the district magistrate, in accordance with such instructions as may be issued by the State Government for the purpose:

Provided that the district magistrate may, when he considers it desirable, extend the said period of 30 days.

(b) Intimation of such transfer shall be given to the depositor of the article and to the licensing authority who, granted or last renewed the licence for the article.

(4) The depositor or his legal representative may exercise his rights within a period of one year under sub-section (2) of section 21 in the following situations –

S.No.	Reason of deposit	Effective date
(a)	Deposited due to contravention by the owner of any provisions of the Arms Act, Arms Rules or conditions of the licence granted	from the date of such deposit
(b)	Due to suspension or revocation of the licence	from the date of the order of suspension or revocation
(c)	Where the arms or ammunition is already deposited	from the date of the order of revocation, suspension or refusal to renew the licence
(d)	When a notification is issued under section 4	from the date of the said notification
(e)	Where an appeal is preferred by the owner u/s 18	from the date of the final order
(f)	Where the arms or ammunition is the	From the date of –
	subject of a legal suit or dispute; or	termination of the dispute; or
	owned or inherited by a person who has not completed the age of 21 years	of completion by that person of the age of 21 years
(g)	Where the owner is on active service outside India	From the date of his return to India
Note: The period of one year may be extended by District Magistrate up-to 6 months in case the depositor/owner is found unfit for any reasons to carry such arms or ammunition. The State Government can further extend the said period beyond 6 months.		

(5)(a) Any arms or ammunition not returned or disposed of before the expiry of the period prescribed under sub-rule (4) shall be notified to the district magistrate; and, subject to the provisions given in the table in sub-rule (4) and the proviso to section 21(3), transferred to the district malkhana or such other place as required by order of the district magistrate, for the purpose of forfeiture under section 21(3).

- (b) The district magistrate shall, before making an order of forfeiture after the expiry of the prescribed period, serve a notice as required under section 21(4) in like manner as for service of summons under the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974):

Provided that, in the case of the depositor being a member of the armed forces of the Union, the notice shall be served personally through the Commanding Officer of such member.

- (6) Charges for maintaining the articles deposited, in good condition, may be levied at such rates as may be fixed from time to time by the State Government.

46. Deposit of arms and ammunition for safe custody (otherwise than under section 21) – (1)(a) A person lawfully possessing arms or ammunition may deposit them for safe custody with a dealer holding a licence in Form VIII or in a police station or, if he is a member of the armed forces of the Union, in a unit armoury.

(b) Before accepting the arms or ammunition for deposit otherwise than under Section 21(1), the dealer or officer-in-charge of a police station or unit armoury shall satisfy himself that they are possessed under a valid licence issued under the Act and these rules or under exemption from the need for such licence.

(c) Members of the armed forces of the Union may be allowed to keep their arms or ammunition in safe custody in a unit armoury only during the tenure of their service.

(2) Where the arms or ammunition have been deposited under sub-rule (1), the dealer or officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury, as the case may be, shall attach to each article deposited, a card, easily distinguishable from that described in rule 45(2) and issue a receipt to the depositor and send a copy to the authority who granted the licence or renewed it last, containing the following particulars:-

Deposit for safe custody		
1.	Description (No. etc.) of the article	
2.	Name and address of the depositor	
3.	Particulars of licence / exemption (if any)	

4.	Serial No. in register and date of deposit	
5.	Date of expiry of the licence	
6.	Date up to which deposited	
Signature of the depositor		
Signature of the dealer or Officer in charge of police station/unit armoury		

- (3) (a) In the event of failure to get the licence renewed, the arms or ammunition shall continue to be possessed by the dealer on the authority of his licence in Form VIII or by the officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury; but, if the licence is not renewed for a period of 3 years after its expiry, the dealer or the officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury shall bring this to the notice of the district magistrate for such action as he may consider necessary;
- (b) the articles shall in no case be returned to the owner unless the licence to possess them is renewed or a new licence is obtained.
- (4) The depositor may be charged a fee for the custody of the articles deposited at the following rates:-

1.	For each firearm	Five hundred rupees per year or portion thereof
2.	For every other weapon or package of ammunition	Two hundred rupees per year or portion thereof

Any extra charges for maintenance of the articles in good condition may be levied at such rates as may be fixed from time to time by the State Government. The fee charged for depositing the weapons in the police stations and unit armoury shall be deposited in the treasury under the account head defined in Schedule IV of the Arms Rules.

47. Records and returns of the articles deposited –

- (1) The dealer, or the officer in-charge of the police station or unit armoury, shall maintain such registers as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
- (2) A copy of the entries in the registers relating to the quarters ending on the last day of March, June, September and December, each year, certified as true copy under the signature

of the dealer or officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury, as the case may be, shall be forwarded, to the district magistrate as early as possible after the expiry of each quarter.

(3) The licensed dealer or the officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury or of any other place specified under rule 45(3) (a) (ii) where the arms or ammunition are kept, shall submit to the district magistrate by the 15th December each year, a report showing the particulars of arms or ammunition in their custody which have, or will become liable to forfeiture by the end of that year.

(4) As and when NDAL is made operational for the deposit of arms, the licensed dealer, the officer-in-charge of the police station or unit armoury or of any other place specified under rule 45(3) (a) (ii) where the arms or ammunition are kept, must establish an online electronic connectivity under his user id allotted to him with the NDAL system to provide for a daily electronic online transfer of data regarding firearms and ammunition deposited for the previous business day. If any circumstances occur which prevents a licensee or other authority to submit returns online to NDAL by means of electronic network connectivity, the local licensing authority must be informed immediately in order to establish alternative means to submit the daily returns.

48. Inspection – (1) Arms and ammunition deposited in a police station or with a dealer and those transferred to the district malkhana and the register maintained for the purpose shall be inspected periodically by the district magistrate or other officer appointed by the State Government in this behalf in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed by the State Government.

(2) The arms or ammunition deposited in a unit armoury and the register maintained for this purpose shall be inspected periodically by the officer commanding the unit or any other officer empowered by him in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the Government of the State, where the unit is for the time being located.

Manufacturers, Arms Dealers and Gun Smiths

Manufacture and Proof Test

49. License for manufacture and proof test – (1) The licensing authority while granting a licence in Form VII shall show clearly in the licence form the categories and description of the arms or ammunition allowed to be manufactured or proof tested or both, by the licensee as laid down in these rules.

(2) Proof-testing of firearms manufactured by a licensed manufacturer shall be carried out only in accordance with the provisions contained in rule 58 in this regard. No manufactured firearms shall be allowed to be sold which have not been duly proof tested.

(3) A copy of every licence granted in Form VII by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs shall forthwith be sent to the district magistrate of the place of manufacturing facility of the licensee as laid down in rule 7(2) and the home department of the concerned State Government.

(4) Entities applying for fresh licences under the provisions of these rules are categorized as ‘Category A’ manufacturers whereas the entities or persons already holding manufacturing licences under the Arms Rules, 1962 in Form IX are categorized as ‘Category B’ manufacturers.

(5) Separate licences shall be issued for each unit in case of an applicant company applying for a multi-unit facility for grant of a licence in Form VII for manufacture or proof-test.

50. Categories of firearms for grant of a licence in Form VII for manufacture and proof test – The licensing authority may grant a licence in Form VII for the following categories of arms for manufacture or proof test or both –

- (a) Category I - Small Arms
- (b) Category II - Light Weapons
- (c) Category III - Items configured for military use

Provided that if any of the items falling under category I, II or III includes any prohibited arms or ammunition, the licensing authority shall obtain the mandatory prior permission of the Central Government under section 7 of the Act before grant of a licence in Form VII.

Applications for ‘Category A’ licence

51. Applications for a licence in Form VII – (1) The ‘Category A’ applicant shall be an Indian Company incorporated under the Companies Act, 2013:

Provided that the applicant company shall be owned and controlled by resident Indian citizens and Indian companies, which are owned and controlled by resident Indian citizens as per the provisions specified in the extant Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy in defence sector of the Government of India in the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Department of Industrial Policy & Promotion and fulfillment of the extant FDI norms and FEMA regulations laid down by the Reserve Bank of India in this regard:

Further provided that the Chief Executive of the company shall be a resident Indian and the full particulars of the directors and the chief executive officer are furnished along with the application:

Further provided that the management of the applicant company should be in Indian hands with majority representation on the Board excluding nominee or independent directors.

(2) The company applying for a licence in Form VII under these rules will be required to provide –

- a) original or certified copies of the company’s founding documents including Memorandum and Articles of Association, Certification of Registration of the Company under the Companies Act, 2013, CIN (Corporate Identification Number), proof of address of its registered office, PAN card and certified lists of directors and shareholders as on the date of application;
- b) copy of Director Identification Number (DIN) of all the directors;
- c) identification proof (Passport or PAN card or Voter’s identification card) along with 2 recent photographs of all the directors and the responsible person as defined clause (pp) of rule 2;
- d) copy of Aadhar Card of all the directors and responsible person;

- e) residence proof (Passport or Voter's identification card or electricity bill or landline telephone bill or rent deed or lease deed or any other document to the satisfaction of the licensing authority of all the directors and responsible person);
- f) copy of the latest balance sheet of the company and audited copy of the Net-worth Certificate duly certified by a Chartered Accountant;
- g) estimated project outlay and means of finance for funding the project duly certified by a Chartered Accountant;
- h) certified copy of the board resolution for filing the application under the arms rules along with full particulars of the responsible person authorized to sign the same;
- i) details of foreign control and/or ownership in the applicant company, as applicable, duly certified by a Chartered Accountant.

(4) The company applying for a licence in Form VII shall furnish the complete details of the arms and/or ammunition intended to be manufactured or proof-tested or both, including their types and quantities.

52. Capacity Norms – The capacity norms for manufacture of arms and ammunition will be fixed on case to case basis, keeping in consideration the financial & technical standing of the applicant Indian company and of the foreign collaborators, if any. The existing capacities of similar and allied products proposed to be manufactured shall also be considered before deciding the capacity norms. The Ministry of Home Affairs shall consult the department of defence production, Ministry of Defence for fixing up the licensed capacities before grant of a licence in Form VII.

53. Procedure for grant of licence in Form VII – (1) The licence for manufacture or proof-test or both in Form VII shall consist of two parts, Part I and II.

(2) Part I of licence in Form VII shall be granted by the licensing authority to those applicants who fulfill the eligibility criteria laid down in these rules provided that no adverse comments are received from various government agencies entrusted for verifying the antecedents of the applicant company or its directors or responsible person, as the case may be.

(3) The applicant is required to file a declaration along with proof thereof to the effect that it has acquired the land for setting up the manufacturing plant or for setting up proof-test facility before grant of a licence in Part I of Form VII. The applicant may also be required to provide details of an access road to the proposed site, installation of electricity and water connection, particulars of land development carried out and any other information deemed necessary by the licensing authority before grant of Part I of licence in Form VII.

(4) The licence granted in Part I of Form VII shall be valid for a period of seven years. The licensee shall be required to setup the facility for manufacture or proof test of arms and/or ammunition, recruit technical and administrative staff, develop & proof test proto-types of arms and ammunition, conduct trial runs and any other activity related to the setting up of the facility for the manufacture or proof-test of arms and ammunition within the validity period of seven years of the licence. No extension of time limit or renewal of licence in Part I of Licence in Form VII shall be granted by the licensing authority.

(5) The manufacturing facility shall not be permitted to be set-up in the border areas, restricted areas or prohibited areas and any area declared as 'disturbed area' by the Central Government from time to time. The manufacturer applicant may setup the facilities in Special Economic Zones (SEZ), Industrial Parks and other industrial areas in addition to any other location duly approved by the concerned State Government for this purpose.

(6) The licensee shall make an application in the prescribed form for grant of a licence in Part II in Form VII for commencement of commercial production. The application shall be accompanied by –

- a) a declaration to the effect that the licensee has installed the plant & machinery, successfully carried out the trial run and is ready for commencement of commercial production of the items licensed for manufacture or proof-test as contained in Part I of Licence in Form VII;
- b) a declaration to the effect that the licensee has installed and applied the requisite quality control system for manufacture or proof test of firearms or ammunition;

- c) a list of particulars of the key technical personnel employed by the licensee for carrying out manufacture or proof-test facility along with the proof of their professional expertise & training undergone and identification documents as specified for directors in rule 51;
- d) a declaration to the effect that the licensee has fully complied with the security guidelines as contained in the extant Security Manual prepared by the Ministry of Defence, department of defence production, for licensed defence industries.

(7) The licensing authority shall get conducted a security and appraisal audit on submission of the application for grant of license in Part II of Form VII to ensure that the applicant licensee has complied with the declaration specified in clause (d) of sub-rule (6).

(8) A licence in Part II of Form VII shall be granted for a period of five years by the licensing authority if nothing adverse is reported in the audit report specified in sub-rule (7). The licensing authority may revise the capacity norms as contained in Part I of licence in Form VII at the time of grant of licence in Part II for commencement of commercial production. The licensing authority may consider revision of the licensed capacity depending on its appraisal of the capacity production of the plant & machinery installed by the licensee on receipt of confirmed orders for supply of firearms or ammunition by the applicant licensee or for any other genuine reasons deemed appropriate for such a revision.

54. Further requirements for licences granted in Form VII

(Form VII – Part I)

(1) The licensee shall be required to construct the factory premises, set-up plant & machinery, conduct trial runs and develop proto-types within the validity period of licence as per provisions contained in rule 53(4).

(2) The licensee should preferably be self sufficient in areas of product design and development and should have maintenance and life cycle support facility of the product to be manufactured.

(3) The standards and testing procedures for firearms and ammunition to be produced shall be provided by the licensee to the Government nominated Quality Assurance Agency, which

will inspect the finished product in the trial run and conduct audit of the Quality Assurance Procedures. On successful completion of the laid down quality testing procedures, the licensee may apply for grant of a licence for commencement of commercial production.

(4) The licensing authority shall ensure that the security conditions contained in the Security Manual prepared by the department of defence production, Ministry of Defence are fully complied with before granting a licence for commencement of commercial production for manufacture of firearms and ammunition.

(Form VII – Part II)

(5) The period of validity of the licence granted in Part II of Form VII shall not be for more than five years and shall specify the types of arms and/or ammunition that may be manufactured or proof-tested under the licence and its annual licensed capacity.

(6) The licensing authority may impose additional restrictions, e.g. in the form of closer supervision, in licences to produce certain sensitive types of arms and ammunition, such as those configured for use by armed forces or those not permitted to be possessed by civilians.

(7) The small arms and light weapons produced by the manufacturers –

- a) shall be sold to the Central Government or State Governments with the prior approval of the Ministry of Home Affairs;
- b) may be allowed to be exported subject to the approval, to be granted by the Ministry of Home Affairs in consultation with the Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Defence and Ministry of Commerce, on a case to case basis;

(8) The permissible category of arms and ammunition as defined in Schedule I may be permitted for sale to persons or dealers, with the prior approval of the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(9) No change in the directorship of the company shall be permitted without the prior approval of the licensing authority. Similarly for any change in the key managerial personnel as defined in Section 2(51) the Companies Act, 2013 or change in the persons falling under the definition of ‘responsible person’ in

clause (pp) of rule 2, the prior approval of the licensing authority is mandatory.

(10) Any change in control or ownership, either directly or indirectly, of the company shall require prior approval of the licensing authority. Further, any change in shareholding resulting into dilution of promoters share-holding (both Indian and foreign) shall require the prior approval of the licensing authority. Further, any change in shareholding of the company or change in the beneficial interest in the shareholding of the company beyond five percent (5%) shall require the prior approval of the licensing authority.

(11) A licence granted in Form VII shall not be transferable from the licensee to another company, without the written authorization of the licensing authority. When considering an application to transfer a manufacturing licence, the licensing authority would assess the eligibility of the company, to whom the licence is to be transferred. An application for transfer shall be accompanied by complete documents and be subject to the same conditions as applicable at the time of initial grant of licence specified in rule 51.

55. Conditions on licences granted in Form VII –

(1) The validity of a licence granted in Form VII would be subject to the manufacturer's continuous compliance with the conditions contained in these rules and in the licence form.

(2) The licensee having been granted a licence in Form VII shall mark all firearms and ammunition that they manufacture in the manner as specified in rule 57 of these rules.

(3) The licensee company shall adhere to the continuous compliance of the extant FDI policy of the Government of India and FEMA regulations as notified by the Reserve Bank of India in case of foreign direct investment in the said company.

(4) The licensee shall adhere to the continuous compliance of the security guidelines as contained in the extant Security Manual prepared by the Ministry of Defence, department of defence production, for licensed defence industries.

(5) The licensee shall maintain records of all firearms, their parts, components and/or ammunition that they manufacture as specified in rule 64 of these rules in addition to the conditions specified and forming part of licence in Form VII (Part II).

(6) The licensee shall store all firearms, their parts, components and/or ammunition that they manufacture as specified in the conditions forming part of licence in Form VII.

(7) The licensee shall permit, and shall cooperate fully with, inspections carried out by the licensing authority (or such other body as may be designated by it) of the licensee's facilities, particularly in respect to the safe and secure storage of firearms and ammunition.

(8) The licensee shall immediately notify the licensing authority on occurrence of any theft, loss or unintentional destruction of firearms or ammunition stored at their premises.

(9) The licensee shall notify the licensing authority within 3 working days on occurrence of any of the following events:

- a) change of address of its registered office;
- b) change in the directors, in which case the licensee shall provide the licensing authority with the names and addresses of each new director, along with the particulars and documents specified in rule 51 for directors.

(10) The licensee shall ensure that all employees who have access to completed manufactured firearms or ammunition within the manufacturing or proof-testing facility are technically competent to handle the same.

(11) Capacity revision shall be permissible after every five years and considered as a fresh application by the licensee:

Provided where the licensee is placed with a confirmed order and has the manufacturing capacity for the same, the licensing authority may consider the revision of licensed capacity during the period of validity of licence on an application made by the licensee in this regard.

(12) The total of work-in-progress and finished goods inventory at any given time should not exceed 2 times of the total annual turnover in the last financial year or annual licensed capacity, whichever is lower. In case of multi-unit facilities owned by one company, total of the annual licensed capacity or total turnover of the company may be considered for this purpose. The condition applies individually to the types of firearms and ammunitions permitted to be manufactured under the licence.

(13) The licensee shall maintain complete database of inventory and distribution chain down to the dealer/end user for domestic distribution and end users in case of export.

(14) Quality specification of the firearms under manufacturing will be as specified by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) and Director General of Quality Assurance (DGQA – Department of Defence Production – MoD) or any other recognized International Quality Assurance Agency.

(15) The licensee shall carry out only batch production in a manufacturing cycle.

56. Import of Machinery for Manufacturing Arms & Ammunition and other parts –

(1) The licensee having been granted a licence in Part I of Form VII is required to submit an application along with the complete list of machinery to be installed, to be procured locally or imported. The licence for acquisition, possession, import or transport of machinery shall be issued in Form I.

(2) Import of Category-II arms in Schedule I of the rules (machinery) as specified in sub-rule (1) and raw material in the form of metal, alloy, fiber, polymers, wood and other allied items, may be allowed for manufacturing of arms subject to the provisions of the Foreign Trade Policy notified under the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act 1992 from time to time by the DGFT and on the recommendations of the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) taking into account International obligations and commitments.

(3) Such parts of arms and ammunition which are not possible to be manufactured locally in the initial stages may be allowed to be imported by the manufacturers by submitting an application with full technical details. The Ministry of Home Affairs after obtaining the opinion of the department of defence production may grant import authorization for the same as per the import procedures for the items to be imported by the manufacturers under the arms rules.

57. Marking of firearms and ammunition at the time of manufacture –

(1) All firearms shall have applied to them, at the time of their manufacture, unique markings containing the following information:

a) the country of manufacture;

- b) the name of the manufacturer;
- c) a serial number unique to the manufacturer;
- d) year of manufacture;
(this information may be incorporated into the serial number)
- e) weapon type/model;
- f) caliber; and
- g) proof-marks
- h) additional information may be included if the firearm is intended for an Indian domestic state entity viz. military, central armed police forces, police etc.

(2) Markings shall be expressed alphanumerically (i.e. they may consist of both letters and numbers) in the following format –

XX	XXXX	99	99	99999	99
Country of Manufacture (2 digit ISO Country Code) IN for India	Manufacturer's Name or code	Year of manufacture (2 numbers)	Type/ Model/ Code	Serial Number	Caliber

(3) Markings shall be applied to a component of the firearm that is essential to its operation, i.e.

- a) the frame/receiver;
- b) barrel;
- c) slide, cylinder, bolt or breech block; and
- d) any other part or component essential to the operation of the firearm.

(4) Markings shall be applied to an exposed surface of the firearm by using the stamping method at the time of their manufacture and stamped marking shall have a depth of at least 0.20 mm. The applied marking shall be

- a) conspicuous without technical aids or tools;
- b) easily recognizable;
- c) readable;
- d) durable; and
- e) recoverable (as far as is technically possible).

(5) The smallest packaging units of ammunition for firearms should be marked. The following information should be marked on all packaging units of ammunition:

- a) country of manufacture;
- b) name of the manufacturer;
- c) lot or batch number unique to the manufacturer;
- d) year of manufacture;
(this information may be incorporated into the lot or batch number),
- e) caliber;
- f) type.

(6) Individual rounds of ammunition shall also be marked in order to facilitate their tracing when recovered under illicit circumstances. Information to be marked on individual cartridge cases, shall include –

- a) country of manufacture;
- b) name of the manufacturer;
- c) lot or batch number unique to the manufacturer;
- d) caliber; and
- e) type

58. Proof Test of firearms – (1) A manufacturer (category A) may set up a proof test facility for gun barrels or completed firearms. The facility needs to be located separately from its arms manufacturing unit, but within its premises. A separate proposal for the proof-testing facility needs to accompany the application for arms and ammunition manufacturing licence. The proposal shall be examined by the Ministry of Home Affairs in consultation with the Director General of Quality Assurance (DGQA), Ministry of Defence and subject to the same guidelines as laid down for application for manufacturing licence.

(2) The existing arms manufacturers (Category B) under the earlier rules will be permitted to get their barrels or completed firearms proof tested either from the ordnance factories or other manufacturers having been granted proof test facilities under these rules. Manufacturers who will be willing to commercialize proof testing facilities shall be accountable to bear the additional responsibilities of security and disposal of waste (rejected barrels/completed firearms).

(3) The manufacturers holding a licence in Part II of Form VII will be required to maintain the following records and follow the requisite procedure for proof test of gun barrels/completed firearms:

A Proof Test Register shall be maintained to include the following particulars –

Column	Particulars
1	Serial numbers of gun barrels/completed firearms manufactured
2	Date, Month and Year of manufacture
3	Date of despatch of gun barrels/completed firearms to Proof House
4	Number and date of permit under which gun barrels/completed firearms sent for proof test (<i>Transport Licence in Form XIII</i>)
5	Date of receipt of gun barrel/completed firearms after proof test
6	Result of proof test
7	Date of completion of gun if only the gun barrel has been proved
8	Date on which completed firearm transferred to register for sale/transfer
9	Serial number in Rectification Register in case gun barrel/completed firearm was not accepted in proof on initial submission
10	Remarks of Inspecting Officer

In addition to the Proof-test Register, every licensee shall maintain a Register of Rectification in which the serial numbers stamped on barrels/completed firearms, which are not passed by Proof House on first submission, shall be entered with cross reference in Column No.9 in the Proof Test Register against the relevant serial number. The Rectification Register shall include the following particulars:

Column	Particulars
1	Serial number
2	Serial number stamped on gun barrel/completed firearm to be rectified
3	Number and date of Proof House communication indicating rectifications to be made
4	Date on which gun barrel/completed firearm re-submitted for proof test after rectification
5	Date of receipt of gun barrel/completed firearm after proof test and the result of proof test
6	Date of completion of firearm if gun barrel/completed firearm has been proved
7	Date on which completed firearm transferred to Register for sale and transfer
8	Remarks

Fresh entries shall be made in Rectification Register on every subsequent rejection of the same gun barrel/completed firearm.

(4) The Proof-test Register and the Rectification Register shall be inspected by the District Magistrate or Commissioner of Police of the area, or by an officer nominated by him in this behalf, during July and January every year. The Inspecting Officer shall also make at least one surprise inspection of these Registers in a calendar year. It shall be the responsibility of every Inspecting Officer to verify that:

- (a) serial numbers on gun barrels/completed firearms are stamped in the strict order in which they are manufactured;
- (b) entries of sale or transfer are made promptly and tally with record of such transactions;
- (c) the conditions of the licence are strictly complied with.

(5) Transport Licence in Form XIII for gun barrels/completed firearms allowed to be transported to proof houses shall indicate separately total quantity of gun barrels/completed firearms to be despatched for proof test for the first time and rectification of defects, wherein the original copy thereof shall be retained by the proof house concerned. The transport licence may be issued

provided the licence in Part II in Form VII is valid on the date of issue.

(6) The Proof Houses shall endeavor to communicate all defects in gun barrels/completed firearms in one communication. The licensees shall be eligible to submit gun barrels/completed firearms for proof test after rectification of defects without any limit on the number of occasions for such submission. However the licensees shall complete the necessary rectifications within a period of two years from the date of communication of first test results issued by the concerned Proof House.

(7) The gun barrels or completed firearms for proof test which are considered to be beyond rectification, and which are considered to be unfit for use as firearms, shall be mutilated by Proof House. The decision of the Officer-in-charge of Proof House concerned in this regard shall be final. Care shall, however, be taken not to mutilate parts that can be utilized again by the licensee. The mutilated parts shall be returned by Proof House to the licensees.

(8) The gun barrels, after proof test, are required to be completed only by the licensee who was authorized to manufacture them. The sale or transfer of proof tested gun barrels alone i.e. without the completion of guns, shall not be permitted. The gun barrels/completed firearms manufactured during a calendar year shall have to be proof-tested within a period of eighteen (18) months from the date of their manufacturing, failing which, gun barrels/completed firearms proof tested during a calendar year from backlog, shall be considered to have been manufactured during the calendar year of their proof-test.

Provisions applicable to 'Category B' Manufacturers

- 59. Capacity Revision and applicability of new norms to Category B manufacturers –** (1) The existing Category B manufacturers are eligible to apply for grant of a fresh licence in Form VII as per the norms prescribed under the rules for Category A manufacturers along with their experience and track record as arms and ammunition manufacturers.

(2) Further, the existing Category B manufacturers are eligible to apply for enhancement or restoration or revision or re-fixation or grant of backlog quota in the licensed capacities granted to these licensees as on the date of notification of these rules by filing a proposal in this regard with the Government of India in the Ministry of Home Affairs. Such proposal shall be routed through the State Government concerned with its recommendations thereof. The proposal shall be put before consideration of the licensing committee formed for the purpose. The proposal shall be accompanied by the following documents –

- a) a copy of the existing manufacturing licence;
- b) certified copies of the annual accounts of the licensee for the last five years duly certified by a chartered accountant;
- c) details of the plant & machinery and manufacturing facility;
- d) certified copies of the stock records, manufactured items and sales turnover for the last five years duly certified by a chartered accountant;
- e) detailed proposal for enhancement of manufacturing capacity, project outlays, means of finance and justification for economic viability and market demand projections for enhancement in capacity production duly certified by a chartered accountant;
- f) track record and preparedness to comply with the Security Manual prepared by the Ministry of Defence, department of defence production for licensed defence industries;
- g) declaration to comply with the provisions contained in the Arms Rules, 2015 for arms and ammunition manufacturers.

60. Licence to an Individual or a Sole Proprietor – (1) In case of a manufacturing licence having been granted in the name of an individual or a sole-proprietorship concern, the licence shall expire *ipso-facto* on the death of the licensee.

(2) The legal successors may prefer an application for grant of a fresh licence in Form VII to the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs, which shall be considered on case to case basis.

61. Admission of Partners – (1) In case of a manufacturing licence having been granted in the name of a partnership firm, additional partners may be admitted in case of death of a partner wherein legal successor(s) of the deceased partner may be admitted as a partner or partners in the firm subject to the prior approval of the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

(2) An existing partner, during his life time, may induct his legal successor as an additional partner on obtaining written consent of all other existing partners, if any, in the partnership firm subject to the prior approval of the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs.

62. Conversion of partnership firm into a private limited company –(1) The Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs on the recommendations of the concerned State Government may grant the permission to a partnership firm holding a manufacturing licence to convert into private limited company subject to the conditions that only the existing partners or family members shall be on the Board of Directors of the newly incorporated company and the directors shall not transfer shares, assets or profits of the company to any outside person.

(2) The conditions laid down in sub-rule (1) shall be incorporated in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the newly incorporated Company, to be filed at the time of making an application to the Central Government in this regard.

(3) No sale or transfer of the factory premises, inventories, machineries or other assets of the private limited company as referred to in sub-rule (1) shall be permissible without the prior approval of the Central Government.

63. Restoration of licence of a discontinued business – In case of a discontinued business, the successor of the deceased licensee, if he is a major, may make an application for the grant of a fresh licence in Form VII to the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs within twelve months of succeeding to the estate of the deceased licensee and in case the successor is a minor, within twelve months from the date of his attaining majority.

Provisions applicable to both 'Category A' and 'Category B'
Manufacturers

64. Records of transactions to be maintained by licensees holding licence in Form VII-

(1) The manufacturer shall keep a register in the format of a secure electronic database known as the 'Firearms Stock Register', wherein the following particulars must be recorded –

- (a) on the debit side – against a stock number, the date of manufacture, make, caliber, model and manufacturer's serial number; and
- (b) on the credit side, against the stock number referred to in sub rule (a) –
 - i) the date of sale of firearm;
 - ii) the name and address and dealer's licence number of the dealer to whom the firearm is sold;
 - iii) the particulars of the government department to whom the firearm is sold;
 - iv) the particulars and address of the person to whom the firearm was exported together with the particulars of the export licence issued under the rules by the licensing authority.

(2) The manufacturer shall keep a register in the format of a secure electronic database known as 'the Ammunition Stock Register', wherein the following particulars must be recorded –

- (a) on the debit side –
 - i) the caliber, make and quantity of all ammunition manufactured, purchased or acquired;
 - ii) the lot number and the date of manufacture or receipt; and
 - iii) in the case of the ammunition being purchased or acquired –
 - (a) the person from whom it was purchased or acquired; and
 - (b) the reason for the purchase or acquisition.

(b) on the credit side –

- i) the lot number and the date of sale or use by the manufacturer of the ammunition;
- ii) the caliber, make and quantity of ammunition sold or used by the manufacturer;
- iii) the name, address and dealer's licence number of the dealer to whom the ammunition is sold; or
- iv) the particulars of the government department to whom the ammunition is sold; or
- v) the name and address of the person to whom the ammunition was exported together with the particulars of the export licence issued under the rules by the licensing authority;
- vi) the date of collection and the signature of the dealer or relevant government official to whom the ammunition was delivered.

(3) A manufacturer must keep updated stock sheets of all its manufactured firearms and main firearm components. The registers prescribed in terms of sub-rule (1) and (2) shall be kept for a period of 10 years from the date of the last entry therein at the business premises specified in the licence. All particulars of firearms and ammunition must be recorded immediately by the licensee on manufacture, receipt, transfer or use, as the case may be.

(4) As and when NDAL is made operational for the manufacturers, the licensee must establish an online electronic connectivity under his user id allotted to him with the NDAL system and which must provide for a daily electronic online transfer of data regarding firearms and ammunition manufactured, transferred or consumed for the previous business day, as recorded in the prescribed register. If any circumstance occur which prevents a licensee to submit returns online to NDAL by means of electronic network connectivity, the local licensing authority must be informed immediately in order to establish alternative means to submit the daily returns.

65. Enforcement powers relating to inspections and confiscation – (1) In order to deter, detect and disrupt illicit manufacturing of arms or ammunition, the licensing authority would conduct inspections of manufacturing facilities and records in order to verify their compliance with the conditions of

their licence under the Arms Act, 1959. Such inspections would take place on an irregular basis. The inspection may include verification of inventory records, mechanism of marking of firearms, review of security norms, personnel records and any other areas of relevance deemed appropriate by the inspecting team or as per the instructions contained in the audit & inspection programme decided by the licensing authority.

(2) Firearms, their parts, components or ammunition that have been illicitly manufactured shall be permanently confiscated by the enforcement agencies.

(3) Firearms, their parts, components or ammunition that are suspected of having been illicitly manufactured may be seized temporarily in order to conduct an investigation into the suspected illicit nature of the items. Temporary seizure may be warranted if, a manufacturing licence is suspended, revoked or cancelled, or if it expires; the holder of a manufacturing licence is convicted of an offence; the licensing authority has grounds to believe that an offence, has been or is about to be committed and that the items to be seized are either evidence of this or are themselves the subject matter of the offence involved. Seized items that are found to have been illicitly manufactured shall be confiscated and the items that are found not to have been illicitly manufactured shall be promptly returned to their owner.

(4) Firearms, their parts, components or ammunition that have been illicitly manufactured shall be promptly disposed of, preferably through destruction in accordance with the rules. A method of disposal other than destruction may be used, provided that the weapons are first marked and registered, and the method of disposal is recorded.

Arms and Ammunition Dealers

66. Grant of licences to Arms & Ammunition Dealers – (1) The licences to Arms & Ammunition dealers granted in Form VIII of the rules are subject to the following pre-requisites at the time of initial grant and at the time of every subsequent renewal –

- i) a written declaration along with certified copies of drawings stating that the dealer has facilities available of a strong room for the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition;
- ii) a written undertaking in support of the application with specific reference to the steps which have been taken in

connection with the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition including provision for access control, close circuit television system, security guards, fire fighting devices etc.;

- iii) verification forms containing the full names and addresses of every person authorized to trade on behalf of the dealer at the premises, who must possess the requisite training for safe handling of firearms as mentioned in rule 10.

Provided that the Central Government may specify additional conditions on the conduct of business by the dealers having place of business in any area declared as a 'disturbed area' under the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) or under Section 24A or 24 B of the Act, by passing a general or special order in this regard.

(2) An application for renewal of licence in Form VIII must be lodged at least 60 days prior to the expiry of the said licence with the licensing authority along with the documents mentioned in sub-rule (1).

(3) The period of validity of the licence granted in Form VIII shall be for a period of three years and shall specify the types of arms and/or ammunition that may be sold or kept for sale and that may be deposited for safe custody or under Section 21 of the Act.

67. Licence for restricted category of firearms and ammunition to Arms & Ammunition Dealers – The Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs may, by a licence granted by it in Form VIII authorize selected dealers to buy, sell or keep for sale a specified amount of firearms and ammunition of category I(b) or I(c). The said dealer licensee shall not sell or transfer any firearms or ammunition of category I(b) or I(c) to any person, without obtaining a prior confirmation from the licensing authority of the jurisdiction of the holder of the licence that the licensee has been issued the said licence to possess such restricted firearm or ammunition.

68. Records of transactions to be maintained by Arms & Ammunition Dealers – (1) The licensee shall keep a register named as 'the Firearms Stock Register', wherein the following particulars must be recorded –

- (a) on the debit side –

- i) a stock number that must be clearly affixed by means of a temporary marking on the firearm;
 - ii) the make, type, caliber of the firearm, as well as, every manufacturer's serial number or additional identification mark that is reflected on the firearm;
 - iii) the date of receipt of the firearm;
 - iv) in case of trade transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN and physical address of the manufacturer or dealer from whom the firearm was purchased or acquired along with the particulars of the purchase invoice, challan, transport documents and details of the transport licence in form XII, if applicable;
 - v) in case of private transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN, physical address of the licensee, the authorization to sell issued by the concerned licensing authority to the licensee or his legal heirs from whom the firearm was purchased or acquired and the signature of the person from whom the firearm was acquired.
- (b) on the credit side, against the stock number referred to in sub rule (1)(a)(i) –
- i) the date of sale of firearm;
 - ii) in case of trade transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN and physical address of the dealer to whom the firearm was sold or transferred along with the particulars of the sale invoice, challan, transport documents and details of the transport licence in form XII, if applicable;
 - iii) in case of private transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN, physical address of the licensee, details of the authorization to purchase and the purchase period mentioned on licence issued by the concerned licensing authority to the licensee to whom the firearm was sold or transferred along with the particulars of the sale invoice and the signature of the person to whom the firearm was sold;
 - iv) the signature of the person who is responsible for the transfer of the firearm are required to be affixed to the

recorded particulars mentioned in clause (i) to (iii) as applicable.

(2) The licensee shall keep a register named as 'the Ammunition Register', wherein the following particulars must be recorded –

(a) on the debit side –

- i) the date of receipt of the ammunition;
- ii) in case of trade transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN and physical address of the manufacturer or dealer from whom the ammunition was purchased or acquired along with particulars of the purchase invoice, challan, transport documents and details of the transport licence in form XII, if applicable;
- iii) in case of private transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN , physical address of the licensee, and the signature of the person from whom the ammunition was acquired;
- iv) full details of the ammunition containing its caliber, make and quantity are required to be mentioned on all the documents and register;

(b) on the credit side –

- i) the date of sale of ammunition;
- ii) in case of trade transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN and physical address of the dealer to whom the ammunition was sold or transferred along with particulars of the sale invoice, challan, transport documents and details of the transport licence in form XII, if applicable;
- iii) in case of private transfer, the full name, licence number, period of validity of licence, UIN, physical address of the licensee, details of the authorization to purchase and the purchase period mentioned on licence issued by the concerned licensing authority to the licensee to whom the ammunition was sold or transferred along with particulars of the sale invoice and the signature of the person to whom the firearm was sold;

iv) the signature of the person who is responsible for the transfer of the ammunition are required to be affixed to the recorded particulars mentioned in clause (i) to (iii) as applicable;

v) full details of the ammunition containing its caliber, make and quantity are required to be mentioned on all the documents and register.

(3) In case of trade transfers mentioned in sub-rule (1) and (2), the dealer making such sale or transfer shall satisfy himself prior to entering into such transaction that the quantity of the firearms or ammunition to be sold or transferred falls within the ambit of the licence of the purchasing dealer and does not exceed his total licensed quantity as mentioned on his licence on the date of sale or transfer.

(4) No trade transfers as mentioned in sub-rule (1) and (2) of firearms and ammunition shall be permitted unless accompanied by a sales invoice as per the procedure laid down in the said sub rules.

(5) The registers maintained in terms of sub-rule (1) and (2) shall be kept for a period of 10 years from the date of the last entry therein at the business premises specified on the licence and every page of such register is to be numbered in sequence. Every entry recorded in the register is to be written in ink and any amendment thereof must be effected by means of interlineations or crossing out in ink and not by way of erasure and must be initialed by the person, effecting it.

(6) No person may remove or cause to be removed any page from any register contemplated in this rule and if any page is removed from such register, it will be deemed, in the absence of evidence to the contrary which raised reasonable doubt, to have been removed by or on the authority of the licensee who is obliged to keep such register.

(7) All particulars that must be entered in a register referred to in this rule, must be recorded immediately on the receipt, transfer or sale, as the case may be, of the firearm or ammunition concerned and in addition to the particulars mentioned in sub-rule (1) and (2) must depict the daily balance of stock in hand of firearms and ammunition.

(8) As and when NDAL is made operational for the arms dealers, the licensee must establish an online electronic connectivity

under his user id allotted to him with the NDAL system and which must provide for a daily electronic online transfer of data regarding firearms and ammunition for the previous business day, as recorded in the prescribed register. If any circumstance occur which prevents a licensee to submit returns online to NDAL by means of electronic network connectivity, the local licensing authority must be informed immediately in order to establish alternative means to submit the daily returns.

69. Licence to keep in custody arms and ammunition – (1) The licensee in Form VIII shall not accept for deposit arms or ammunition under the provisions of section 21 of the Act and for safe custody, without satisfying himself that there is no *mala fide* intention on the part of the depositor or any person on whose behalf the deposit is being made and shall keep proper records of the same as per the provisions contained in rule 45 and 46.

(2) The licensee shall keep separate registers for arms and ammunition deposited under section 21 of the Act and for safe custody as per the provisions laid down in rule 45 and 46 respectively.

(3) The registers shall contain the following particulars –

- (i) the date of receipt of firearm;
- (ii) the full name and address of the person from whom the arms or ammunition were acquired;
- (iii) the make, type, caliber of the firearm, as well as, every manufacturer's serial number or additional identification mark that is reflected on the firearm;
- (iv) the number, date of issue, validity period of the licence and UIN of the licensee and signature of the person from whom the firearm was acquired;
- (v) the date of return, transfer or disposal of the arms or ammunition; and
- (vi) the signature of the person to whom the arms or ammunition were returned, transferred or disposed to.

(4) The registers maintained in terms of sub-rule (2) shall be kept for a period of 10 years from the date of the last entry therein at the business premises specified on the licence and every page of such register is to be numbered in sequence.

Every entry recorded in the register is to be written in ink and any amendment thereof must be effected by means of interlineations or crossing out in ink and not by way of erasure and must be initialed by the person effecting it.

(5) No person may remove or cause to be removed any page from any register contemplated in this rule and if any page is removed from such register, it will be deemed, in the absence of evidence to the contrary which raised reasonable doubt, to have been removed by or on the authority of the licensee who is obliged to keep such register.

(6) All particulars that must be entered in a register referred to in this rule, must be recorded immediately on the receipt, return or disposal, as the case may be, of the firearm or ammunition concerned and in addition to the particulars mentioned in sub-rule (3) must depict the daily balance of stock in hand of firearms and ammunition kept under deposit.

(7) As and when NDAL is made operational for the arms dealers, the licensee must establish an online electronic connectivity under his user id allotted to him with the NDAL system and which must provide for a daily electronic online transfer of data regarding stock kept under deposit of firearms and ammunition for the previous business day, as recorded in the prescribed register. If any circumstance occur which prevents a licensee to submit returns online to NDAL by means of electronic network connectivity, the local licensing authority must be informed immediately in order to establish alternative means to submit the daily returns.

70. Restriction on quantity of firearms and ammunition to be kept by the dealers – The maximum limits of the firearms and ammunition which may be kept by the licensees holding a licence in Form VIII at any point of time shall be regulated by the following tables. The licensing authority is to exercise due diligence in fixing the quantity allowable keeping in consideration the past track record and standing of the existing licensees. Any excess stocks of arms and ammunition wherever held are required to be brought down to the limits specified in a phased manner within a period of one year of the applicability of these rules.

Table 1 Maximum limits for sale or keeping for sale of firearms

S. No.	Type of Firearms	Category Schedule I	Maximum Quantity (Nos)
	Restricted Arms		
1	Centrefire rifles of any barrel length (semi-automatic)	I(b)	20
2	Electronic disabling devices having firing range of more than 4.5 meters	I(b)	20
3	Bolt action or semi-automatic rifles of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm bore which can chamber and fire service ammunition of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm caliber;	I(c)	10
4	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) which can chamber .38" or .455" rimmed cartridges or service 9 mm (9x19 or 9 mm parabellum) or .45" rimless cartridges.	I(c)	20
	Permissible Arms		
6	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) including semi-automatic other than those mentioned in restricted category I(c)	III(a)	50
7	Breech loading Centrefire rifles (not semi-automatic)	III(b)	50
8	.22 bore Rimfire rifles (including semi-automatic)	III(c)	100
9	Smooth bore breech loading shotguns	III(d)	100
10	Muzzle-loading guns	III(e)	20
11	Air weapons including Air Rifles and Air Guns having muzzle energy exceeding 20 joules or 15 ft-lbs	III(f)	100
12	Firearm Replicas	III(g)	100
13	Electronic disabling devices having firing range of less than 4.5 meters	III(h)	100
14	Paint ball markers or guns	III(i)	100
15	Blank firing firearms	III(j)	100
16	Accessories for any firearms designed or adapted to diminish the noise or flash caused by the firing thereof.	III(k)	20

Table 2 Maximum limits for sale or keeping for sale of ammunition

S. No.	Type of Firearms	Category Schedule I	Maximum Quantity (Nos/kgs)
	Restricted Arms		
1	Centrefire rifles of any barrel length (semi-automatic);	I(b)	1000
2	Electronic disabling devices having firing range of more than 4.5 meters	I(b)	500
3	Bolt action or semi-automatic rifles of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm bore which can chamber and fire service ammunition of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm caliber;	I(c)	1000
4	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) which can chamber – .38" or .455" rimmed cartridges or service 9 mm (9x19 or 9 mm parabellum) or .45" rimless cartridges	I(c)	2000
	Permissible Arms		
5	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) including semi-automatic other than those mentioned in restricted category I(c)	III(a)	10000
6	Breech loading Centrefire rifles (not semi-automatic)	III(b)	10000
7	.22 bore Rimfire rifles (including semi-automatic)	III(c)	10000
8	Smooth bore breech loading shotguns	III(d)	10000
9	Muzzle-loading guns	III(e)	100 kgs/ 1000 P.caps
10	Air weapons including Air Rifles and Air Guns having muzzle energy exceeding 20 joules or 15 ft-lbs	III(f)	50000 or equivalent weight
11	Electronic disabling devices having firing range of less than 4.5 meters	III(h)	2000
12	Blank firing firearms	III(j)	5000

Table 3 Maximum limits for safe custody of firearms or deposit under section 21

S. No.	Nature of Firearm	Maximum Quantity (Nos)
1	Handguns- Revolver/Pistols	200
2	Shotguns/ML Guns	200
3	Rifles	200
4	Air Weapons	200

Accredited Gun Smiths

71. Licence for carrying out minor repairs – (1) A licence in Form IX-A entitles the licensee gunsmith to carry out minor repairs to firearms as mentioned in clause (oo) of rule 2.

(2) The licensee having been granted a licence in Form IX-A is entitled to accept and store a firearm for the purpose of performing minor repairs.

(3) The licence also entitles the gunsmith to acquire and keep in stock ammunition to test firearms, on which he performs work within the normal scope of the business of a gun-smith, as specified in these rules.

72. Licence for carrying out major repairs, conversion etc. – (1) Where a licence is granted in Form IX for conversion or carrying out major repair, of any category of firearms or ammunition, it entitles the licensee gun-smith to fabricate components or parts, for the purpose of conversion or major repair of such firearms but not to manufacture such components or parts to be utilized for assembling into complete fire-arms or ammunition of any category. However, the licence allows the licensee for deactivation and storage of firearms.

(2) The applicant applying for a licence in Form IX must possess professional technical expertise to act as a gun-smith from a national or international institute or body legally recognized for imparting such training.

(3) Where a licence is granted in Form IX to shorten a firearm, the licence shall specifically state that he is permitted to shorten a firearm. However under no circumstances the licensee shall be permitted to shorten the barrel length of any shotgun or rifle to less than 20 inches.

(4) Where such a licence is granted for conversion of ammunition, it shall not entitle the licensee to convert blank cartridges or any ammunition having no projectile into single/multiple projectile ammunition or to load or re-load any ammunition.

(5) The licensee having been granted a licence in Form IX is entitled to accept and store a firearm and keep in stock any part of a firearm, including a main frame component, for the purpose of performing his work.

(6) The licence also entitles the gunsmith to acquire and keep in stock ammunition to test firearms, on which he performs work within the normal scope of the business of a gun-smith, as specified in these rules.

(7) The licensee is not permitted to alter or to re-engrave or remove the serial number or any other identification mark of a firearm without the prior written permission of the licensing authority. Firearms and ammunition may only be test-fired by the licensee at an accredited shooting range or test bench or cabinet, only in such manner and subject to such conditions, as are specifically mentioned in his licence.

(8) The licensee gun smith who carries out alteration of the mechanism, caliber or barrel length of a firearm, before the conclusion of the work, shall notify the licensing authority in writing of –

- i) the particulars of the firearm, including the type, name, caliber and manufacturer's serial number or additional identification number;
- ii) the name and address of the licensee along with his UIN, number and date of the issue of the licence in respect of the firearm;
- iii) the particulars of the work performed on the firearm.

(9) The licensee holding a licence in Form IX may deactivate a firearm only with the prior permission of the licensing authority.

73. Other Conditions for licences issued in Form IX and IX-A –

(1) Maximum limits for keeping firearms for carrying out minor or major repairs and ammunition for testing of firearms are restricted as per the following table –

S.No.	Nature of Firearm	Maximum Quantity (Nos) of firearms and frames or receivers	Maximum Quantity of Ammunition allowed to be possessed for testing purpose
1	Handguns-Revolver/Pistols	50	500
2	Shotguns	100	500
3	M.L. Guns	50	10 kgs/ 100 P-caps
4	Rifles	100	500

(2) The period of validity of the licence granted in Form IX or IX-A shall be for a period of three years and shall specify the types of arms that may be converted, repaired (major or minor), tested (other than proof test) or to be kept for conversion, shortening, repairing (major or minor) or test (other than proof test) and description of ammunition allowed to be possessed for testing the repaired firearms and description of ammunition allowed to be converted, as per the category of licence granted under this category.

74. Deactivation of firearm – (1) No firearm shall be considered to be of deactivated category unless it is certified by the licensing authority in writing in this regard.

(2) Any licensee who wishes to get his firearm deactivated may apply to the licensing authority for grant of permission, by making an application stating the reasons for getting the firearm deactivated. The licensing authority may grant the permission to the licensee to approach a person holding a licence in Form IX, for carrying out deactivation of the firearm.

(3) A firearm may only be deactivated by a gunsmith in the prescribed manner as laid down in rule 75. On deactivation of the firearm, the holder of a licence in Form IX shall issue a certificate to that effect indicating the manner in which the deactivation was carried out and shall inform the licensing authority about the same within seven days along with a copy of the deactivation certificate.

(4) The licensee who has got the weapon deactivated shall inform the licensing authority within seven days and submit the deactivation certificate granted under sub-rule (2) and shall produce the weapon for inspection thereof to the licensing

authority. The licensing authority shall forward the firearm for ballistic testing wherever required. The licensing authority on being satisfied after having inspected the deactivated firearm and on the basis of the deactivation certificate submitted to him, and on the basis of the ballistic report, wherever sought, shall delete the said firearm from the licence as permitted under section 45 (c) of the Act.

75. Technical procedure for deactivation of firearms –

A firearm shall be deactivated in the following manner:

- (a) Barrel and Chamber: A tight fitting metal plug to be inserted from the rear end and welded in place to prevent chambering of a cartridge or loading of a powder charge.
- (b) Revolver cylinder: A tight fitting metal plug to be inserted from the rear end and welded in place to prevent chambering of a cartridge or loading of a powder charge.
- (c) Firing Pin: To be shortened and the firing pin hole in the breech face to be closed by welding.
- (d) Breech face: 75% or more to be removed at an angle of 45°. *In the case of a revolver “breech face” refers to the area supporting the base of the cartridge in line with the barrel.*
- (e) Slide, Bolt or Breech-block: 75% or more of the locking surfaces to be removed at an angle of 45°.
- (f) Frame or Receiver: 75% or more of the feed-ramp, locking shoulders and supports to be removed and a metal obstruction welded in place to prevent a standard slide, bolt or breech-block from being fitted.
- (g) Any other manner as approved to in writing by the licensing authority based on the technical opinion of the person holding a licence in Form IX.

Firearms deactivated prior to the implementation of these rules will be deemed to have been deactivated according to these rules.

76. Records of transactions to be maintained by Gun Smiths holding a licence in Form IX or IX-A – (1) The licensee shall keep a register known as ‘the Firearms Repair Register’, wherein the following particulars must be recorded –

- (a) In respect of every firearm received for minor or major repair
 - i) a stock number that must be clearly affixed by means of a temporary marking on the firearm;
 - ii) the make, type, caliber of the firearm, as well as, every manufacturer's serial number or additional identification mark that is reflected on the firearm;
 - iii) the date of receipt of the firearm;
 - iv) the name, address and UIN of the licensee from whom the firearm was acquired;
 - v) the number, date and validity period of the arms licence, permit or authorization of the person from whom the firearm was acquired;
 - vi) nature of repair done on the firearm or any other work performed;
 - vii) the date of collection and signature of the holder of the licence, permit or authorization issued in respect of the licence.
 - (b) For licences granted in Form IX, in respect of main firearm components, received in stock –
 - i) the date of receipt of the main firearm components;
 - ii) the purpose of such receipt;
 - iii) the name, address and UIN of the licensee from whom the main firearm components were acquired;
 - iv) the transfer or disposal of the main firearm components including the name, address and UIN of the licensee to whom these were supplied;
 - v) the signature of the person who received it.
- (2) The licensee shall keep a register known as 'the Ammunition Stock Register', wherein the following particulars must be recorded –
- (a) on the debit side –
 - i) the caliber, make and quantity of all ammunition purchased or acquired;
 - ii) the date of receipt;
 - iii) the number, date and UIN of the licence of the person from whom the ammunition was purchased or acquired.

(b) on the credit side –

- i) the caliber, make and quantity of all ammunition used;
- ii) the date and reason of disposal of the ammunition and the signature of the licensee confirming the entries as correct.

(3) The registers maintained in terms of sub-rule (2) shall be kept for a period of 10 years from the date of the last entry therein at the business premises specified on the licence and every page of such register is to be numbered in sequence. Every entry recorded in the register is to be written in ink and any amendment thereof must be effected by means of interlineations or crossing out in ink and not by way of erasure and must be initialed by the person, effecting it.

(4) No person may remove or cause to be removed any page from any register contemplated in this rule and if any page is removed from such register, it will be deemed, in the absence of evidence to the contrary which raised reasonable doubt, to have been removed by or on the authority of the licensee who is obliged to keep such register.

(5) All particulars that must be entered in a register referred to in this rule, must be recorded immediately on the receipt, transfer, use or disposal, as the case may be, of the firearm, main firearm component or ammunition and in addition to the particulars mentioned in sub-rule (1) and (2) must depict the daily balance of stock in hand of firearms, main firearm components and ammunition kept for repair or testing.

(6) As and when NDAL is made operational for the gun-smiths, the licensee must establish an online electronic connectivity under his user id allotted to him with the NDAL system and which must provide for a daily electronic online transfer of data regarding firearms and ammunition for the previous business day, as recorded in the prescribed register. If any circumstance occur which prevents a licensee to submit returns online to NDAL by means of electronic network connectivity, the local licensing authority must be informed immediately in order to establish alternative means to submit the daily returns.

Common Provisions for manufacturers, arms dealers & gun smiths

77. Inspection of premises, stock and record – Every magistrate and any police officer not below the rank of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector, acting within the local limits of his authority, or any officer of the Central Government specially empowered in this behalf may, –

- (a) enter and inspect the premises in which arms or ammunition are manufactured or proof-tested or repaired or in which arms or ammunition are kept by a manufacturer or dealer in or gunsmith of such arms or ammunition; and
- (b) examine the stock and accounts of receipts and disposals of arms and ammunition or any other register or document.

78. Regulatory Powers of Central Government in certain cases –

(1) Where no licence is required for the manufacture, sale, import, export or transport of any category or description of arms or ammunition by or through a manufacturer or dealer, the manufacturer or the dealer, may be asked to register his name and address and place of business in such manner and at such place as the Central Government may prescribe and the manufacturer or the dealer shall maintain such registers and furnish such information to the Central Government as it may require in respect of the arms or ammunition, so manufactured, sold, imported, exported, or transported.

(2) Every manufacturer or dealer referred to in sub-rule (1) may be required to obtain UIN to get himself registered on the NDAL website through the licensing authority of his jurisdiction and allotted a separate user id and password for log in purposes. The manufacturer or dealer may be asked to upload the complete details of his transactions on the NDAL website on daily basis for the previous business day in addition to the registers specified under sub-rule (1).

Import & Export of Arms & Ammunition

79. Licences for Import & Export of Arms & Ammunition –

The grant of arms licences under this category are subject to the provisions of the Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992 and the extant Export & Import Policy (EXIM Policy) of the Government of India. The persons bringing into India the arms and ammunition as a part of their personal baggage shall be governed by the Baggage Rules, 1998 under the Customs Act, 1962:

Provided that a licence shall not be granted for the import or export for re-import of any arms or ammunition through the medium of post office.

80. Import of arms and ammunition – (1) Arms or ammunition shall be deemed to have been brought into India by a person, when such arms or ammunition are imported through an agent and are either consigned to such person direct, or consigned to the said agent, if the agent possesses a certificate from the said person that the arms or ammunition are bonafide his property and the agent only clears the arms or ammunition from the Indian customs and forwards the same.

(2) The dealer or manufacturer, who wants to import a firearm or parts of firearm or ammunition shall file the application for grant of a licence in Form X at least 21 days before the shipment of the firearm or ammunition to India or on good cause shown, such shorter period as the licensing authority within his discretion regard as expedient and shall not arrange for the shipment of the firearm or ammunition prior to the issuance of the import licence. The licensing authority granting the licence shall forthwith send a copy of the licence to the licensing authority having jurisdiction at the port of import who shall be liable for carrying out the inspection as specified in sub-rule (3).

(3) The dealer or manufacturer shall immediately on the arrival of the shipment of firearms or part of firearms or ammunition in India, notify the licensing authority as well as the licensing authority for the port of entry where the shipment has arrived, in writing of the arrival and provide the particulars of the container or consignment and place where it can be inspected. The importer licensee shall not open the container or the consignment of firearms or ammunition before an inspection is conducted by the licensing authority of the port in presence of the Indian customs authority at the port of entry in India.

(4) The dealer or manufacturer shall within 72 hours of the arrival of the firearms or ammunition in India –

- (a) arrange with the licensing authority of the port of entry to physically inspect the firearms or ammunition; and
- (b) on finalization of the physical inspection certify in writing to the licensing authority of issuance of import licence

that the imported firearms or ammunition corresponding with the import licence, have arrived in India.

(5) The obligation of carrying out physical inspection within a period of 72 hours of the arrival of the firearms or ammunition at the port shall be of the licensing authority at the port of entry along with the customs authorities. Any delay in carrying out such an inspection resulting into any additional charges or demurrage shall not be accountable to the importer licensee.

81. Export of Arms and Ammunition – (1) The authority granting a licence in Form X for export of arms or ammunition from any customs port in India to ports in foreign territory shall send a copy of such licence to the agent or master of the vessel or to the air carrier or the railway authority by which the arms or ammunition covered by the licence are intended to be taken out of India. In addition, it shall forthwith send a copy of the licence to the licensing authority of the place, wherefrom the goods are to leave the Indian Territory.

(2) Every application for the grant of a licence for export of category IV arms shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Director-General of Archaeology of the Central Government to the effect that the arms intended to be exported do not fall within the definition of “antiquity” under the Antiquities and Treasures Act, 1972.

(3) The district magistrate having jurisdiction over the area out of which the goods to be exported are to cross the frontier of India may, in his discretion, require the licensee to produce the arms or ammunition for his inspection before allowing them to leave the area.

(4) An export licence in Form X shall be non-transferable and issued in three original copies where-after the exporter must accept the original, first and second copy of the export licence:

- (a) The first copy of the export licence shall be returned to the issuing licensing authority within 10 days of the date of export and which date must be duly certified by the Indian customs authorities;
- (b) The second copy shall be returned to the issuing licensing authority within 90 days after the export date stated on the export licence, which must bear the signature, an official date and name stamp of the end user, to serve as a delivery verification certificate.

Failure to comply with conditions contained in clause (a) and (b) shall result in suspension of all pending and future export transactions of the exporter until the said conditions are duly complied with.

(5) Extension of validity of export licence, for once, for a period not exceeding three months, may be granted by the licensing authority if for any genuine reasons stated in the application, the export transaction could not be carried out within the stipulated time of the validity of the export licence.

(6) The holder of the export licence shall immediately return all the three copies of the export licence to the issuing licensing authority wherein either an export transaction stands cancelled or the validity of the licence has expired and the exporter has not applied for extension as specified in sub-rule (5) along with the reasons for non-compliance of transaction in writing.

(7) The exporter shall retain the original export licence, the relevant bill of lading or airway bill, packing lists and export invoice pertaining to the firearms or ammunition stated on the export licence for a period of 3 years and produce the documents whenever required to do so by the issuing licensing authority.

82. Export and re-import of arms and ammunition – (1) A licence in Form X may be granted for export of arms or ammunition from one place in India and its re-import into another place in India by the Central Government or any other officer, specially empowered by it, if the arms or ammunition are taken across intervening territory not forming part of India.

(2) A copy of every licence granted under sub-rule (1) shall forthwith be sent by the Central Government both to the licensing authority of the place of despatch and place of destination of the articles in India.

(3) Arms and ammunition that are exported from India for the purpose of exhibitions, evaluations and demonstrations shall be returned to India within a period of six months after the date of export reflected on the export licence issued in Form X.

83. In-transit licence of arms and ammunition – (1) No person shall, import, transport and re-export any arms or ammunition unless he holds in this behalf an In-transit licence in Form X issued by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home

Affairs. The applicant must submit a proof of authority to export the arms and ammunition from the country of origin and a documentary proof of authority of import from the country of final destination that the arms or ammunition may lawfully be imported into the said country.

(2) The applicant must submit in his application the particulars of the intended transport route and mode of transport and the proposed port of entry and exit and likely date of the entry and exit along with a certified copy of the licence, permit, authorization or any proof acceptable to the licensing authority, confirming the lawful possession of the firearm and ammunition in transit through the Indian territory and shall not arrange for the forwarding of the arms or ammunition to India prior to the issuance of the In-transit licence.

(3) The applicant shall submit complete lists of the firearms and ammunition indicating the quantity, type of action, manufacturer's serial number, model and caliber of the firearms and quantity, type and caliber of ammunition forming part of consignment along with a consignment note to be carried in-transit through Indian Territory.

(4) The licensee shall immediately on the arrival of the arms or ammunition in India, in writing notify the issuing licensing authority referred to sub-rule (1) as well as the licensing authority for the area where the shipment has arrived and provide the particulars of the container or consignment and place where it can be inspected and shall further ensure that the consignment is stored in a bonded warehouse under the jurisdiction of Indian customs authority and shall not open the container or consignment unless an inspection has been conducted by the licensing authority for the area and the customs authorities.

(5) The licensing authority may for security reasons lay down conditions for transportation and route thereof, of the said container or consignment through the Indian Territory. All incidental expenses related with the stipulated security measures from the port of import to the port of re-export through Indian Territory shall be borne by the licensee.

(6) Wherein the licensee needs to store the arms or ammunition for any period of time not exceeding one month in India, such storage permission may be granted by the licensing authority in exceptional circumstances with prior consent of the local police

authorities and subject to such conditions of safe storage which it may prescribe before grant of such permission and shall be under the direct supervision of the licensee and the local authorities.

(7) Arms or ammunition which are possessed under an In-transit licence, shall not, for whatever reasons, be sold, transferred or used in India.

(8) Where under the authority of an In-transit licence for import, transport and re-export of arms or ammunition granted in Form X, the arms or ammunition are to be transported across Indian territory and re-exported by land or river, a copy of the licence shall forthwith be sent by the authority granting it to the district magistrate having jurisdiction over the area out of which the consignment is to cross the frontier of India.

84. Vessels entering the territorial waters of India – Arms or ammunition carried by a vessel entering the territorial waters of India or leaving such waters, shall be deemed to be imported or exported, as the case may be, irrespective of whether the vessel carrying, the arms or ammunition does or does not berth.

85. Arms or ammunition to be delivered to Indian Customs in certain cases – Where a vessel or aircraft bound for a port other than a port in India calls at any port in India in the course of its voyage, and remains there for a period exceeding forty-eight hours, any arms or ammunition in the possession of any passenger not exempted from liability to take out a licence in respect of such possession shall be delivered by him to the Indian Customs, to be detained until the departure by sea or air, as the case may be, of such passenger, and it shall not be necessary for such passenger to take out any licence in respect of the arms or ammunition so delivered and detained.

86. Scrutiny by authorities of consignments containing arms and ammunition – (1) Original licence issued under these rules shall be produced to all the authorities involved in the import or export transactions which include Indian customs authorities, licensing authority of the port under the Arms act, railway authorities, shipping agent, master of the vessel, air-carrier, transporter and any other authority directly or indirectly related with such transactions. The said authorities shall execute their required role only after getting themselves satisfied that the consignment containing arms or ammunition correspond with

the details contained in the original licence and copies sent to them by the issuing licensing authority, if any.

(2) Where in any case referred to in sub-rule (1), the original licence is not produced by the importer or the exporter or the consignee or the agent, or the original or attested copy of the licence does not accompany the consignment, as the case may be, or the licence is not identical in substance with the copy sent to the authority, or the arms or ammunition do not correspond with the description given in such licence, the authority shall not receive the consignment for despatch or allow it to proceed further or deliver the consignment, as the case may be, and shall, in case he is not a district magistrate, forthwith inform the nearest magistrate.

Transport of Arms & Ammunition

87. Prohibition of transport of arms and ammunition – (1) Save as herein otherwise provided, no person shall transport over India or any part thereof any arms or ammunition or any arms of Category V, except under, and in accordance with the conditions of, a licence in Form XII granted under these rules.

(2) Nothing in sub-rule (1) or in section 12 shall be deemed to apply to arms or ammunition –

- (a) transported personally or as personal luggage, in reasonable quantities for his own use, by a person lawfully entitled to possess or carry such arms or ammunition;
- (b) transported by a person licensed to manufacture such articles, for proof-testing, in a case or package legibly addressed to a Government establishment or an establishment approved in this behalf by the Central Government, or re-transported by such establishment to such person;
- (c) of category V, transported through an area where the Central Government has, by notification in the Official Gazette, applied section 4, or from such area to an area where section 4 does not apply, provided that the arms are properly packed and labeled, showing clearly the description of these articles and the name and address of the consignee;

- (d) transported by a licensed manufacturer or dealer for export or after import, in accordance with a licence for their export or import, -
 - (i) from the place of despatch to the port or other place of export, or
 - (ii) from the port or other place of import to the place of destination, or
 - (iii) by trans-shipment in the port of import for re-export;
- (e) transported –
 - (i) by a person lawfully entitled to possess such articles, in reasonable quantities for his own use from the premises of a licensed manufacturer or dealer, or for purposes of examination or repair or test to or from any such premises, or to the address of any other person lawfully entitled to possess such articles; or
 - (ii) by a licensed manufacturer or dealer, in a case or package legibly addressed to a person lawfully entitled to possess such articles, in compliance with an order given by such person for the supply of such articles, in reasonable quantities, for his own use or after carrying out necessary repairs thereto;
- (f) being chlorates, transported for *bona fide* industrial, agricultural or medicinal purposes:

Provided that-

- (i) transport of arms or ammunition under clause (d), clause (e) or clause (f) shall be subject to obtaining a certificate of no objection from the licensing authority at the destination of the articles as provided for in rule 92;
- (ii) transport of arms or ammunition personally for any of the purposes stated in sub-clause (i) of clause (e) without using them through any area outside the area of validity of his possession licence, shall be subject to his obtaining a licence in Form XII from the licensing authority at the starting place of transport; and
- (iii) prior intimation of the transport of arms of category V under clause (c) or of chlorates under clause (f) shall be given to the officer-in-charge of the nearest police station or a magistrate having jurisdiction over the place of despatch.

(3) The officer or magistrate receiving prior intimation under clause (iii) of the proviso to sub-rule (2) shall immediately inform the district magistrate, and if the articles are transported by rail, the Superintendent of railway police having jurisdiction,-

- (i) over the place of destination, in the case of transport of chlorates, and
- (ii) over the place of entry into the area where section 4 applies, in the case of transport of arms of Category V.

Explanation – For the purposes of this rule ‘transport’ includes movement of arms or ammunition across any part of the country, but does not include movement of arms or ammunition by a licensed manufacturer or dealer from a warehouse, godown or any other similar place to his factory, shop or other place of business within the same village, town or city.

88. Transport of arms or ammunition – (1) A copy of licence granted in Form XII for transport of arms or ammunition beyond the local limits of the jurisdiction of the authority granting it shall forthwith be sent to the district magistrate having jurisdiction over the area where the place to which the articles are consigned is situated.

(2) A copy of every such licence granted by a district magistrate for transport within the limits of his jurisdiction shall forthwith be sent to the subordinate magistrate (if any) having jurisdiction over the place to which the arms or ammunition are consigned.

(3) Where arms or ammunition are transported by rail, a copy of such licence or a copy of the no objection certificate referred to in rule 92, shall be attached to the way-bill or invoice, as the case may be, and advice of every such consignment shall be sent by the railway authorities from the forwarding to the receiving station.

(4) Where arms or ammunition are transported by road by a licensed transporter holding a licence in Form XIV, the provisions specified in rules 90(3) and 91 shall be strictly adhered to.

(5) A licence for the transport of arms or ammunition shall not, save for special reasons to be recorded by the authority granting it, be granted for a period longer than twice the time likely to be occupied in the journey to the place of destination by the route indicated in the licence:

Provided that a licence for a longer period, not exceeding a quarter of a year at one time, may be granted in connection with industrial purposes for transporting ingredients of ammunition in instalments from the godown to the factory of the licensee situated within the same district but not in the same locality. A licensee transporting any ingredients of ammunition under such licence shall give prior intimation to the nearest magistrate/officer-in-charge of the police station; and he shall make necessary entries promptly in the stock registers maintained for the purpose at both the godown and the factory.

89. Packaging of arms and ammunition during transportation –

The licensee holding a licence in Form XII, during transportation of firearms and ammunition shall ensure that –

- (a) firearms must be packed separately from ammunition, and all ammunition must be removed from firearms in a safe manner, before transportation;
- (b) firearms and ammunition must be transported in an appropriately locked metal container, and must be packed to ensure maximum safety and minimum exposure; and
- (c) direct continuous supervision and control of arms and ammunition being transported is strictly maintained.

Transporter's Licence

90. Licence for transporter – (1) A person applying for a transporter's licence in Form XIV may be an individual or a company. In addition to the requirements laid down in rule 11, the applicant under this category shall submit –

- (a) proof that a proper functioning two way secure communication system between the vehicle transporting the arms or ammunition and the applicant is in operation;
- (b) a detailed description of the safety measures fitted to the vehicle that will be used including GPS navigation system; and
- (c) a detailed description of security precautions that will be adhered to during transportation

(2) The licensee in Form XIV may only lawfully possess and transport arms and ammunition, if such transporter has

obtained the prior written consent of the holder of licence in Form XII in respect of arms and ammunition to be transported.

(3) The licensee transporter making use of road transport must provide to the person in charge of every transportation, a typed list or computer printout on his letterhead of personnel employed by transporter who will be directly involved in the transportation of the consignment of the arms and ammunition, which will contain the full names and identity numbers of the employees concerned. The list must be attached to a certified copy of the licence in Form XIV and this documentation must during the transportation be in possession of the person directly in charge of the transportation and will serve as an authority to the personnel of the transporter named in the list to receive, transport, store and deliver the specified consignment of arms and ammunition. The licensee is required to get the police verification of the antecedents of the employees before assigning them any duties related to transportation of arms or ammunition.

(4) The licensing authority shall take into consideration the arrangements for the receipt, carriage and delivery of the arms and ammunition, the safe and efficient transportation thereof, the mode of transport by which the transportation is to take place, including the type and construction of the vehicle to be used, as well as the containers, personnel to be involved and communication facilities available with the transporter etc. before using its discretion to grant of licence under this category to ensure safe and secure transport and storage of the arms and ammunition.

(5) The period of validity of the licence granted in Form XIV shall be for a period of three years and shall specify the categories of arms and/or ammunition, maximum quantity during a calendar year, maximum quantity in a single consignment and maximum quantity in multiple consignments under a single shipment, that may be allowed to be transported under the licence granted.

91. Procedural requirements for transporter's licence – (1) An arms or ammunition transporter holding a licence in Form XIV must during the time of such transport be in possession of –

- (i) a consignment note on which the following particulars must appear:

- (a) the full name, address, licence and UIN of the transporter;
 - (b) the name, address, licence number and UIN of the consignor and of the consignee in respect of arms and ammunition to be transported;
 - (c) the quantity, type of action, manufacturer's serial number, make and caliber of the firearms and quantity, make and caliber of ammunition; and
 - (d) the physical address where from the firearms and ammunition were collected and the physical address of their final destination;
- (ii) the licence in Form XII authorizing the transportation of such firearms and ammunition;
 - (iii) any other document which may under these rules or any other law be required.
- (2) Wherein the licensee holding a licence in Form XIV is obliged to store the firearms or ammunition for any period of time after receipt and before delivery, such storage must comply with the requirements for safe custody and storage as laid down under rule 10.
- (3) The licensee must ensure direct supervision by him or through his personnel of an en-route consignment of arms or ammunition.
- (4) The transporter holding a licence in Form XIV shall obtain from the consignee a written confirmation of the taking of possession of the consignment of arms and ammunition and the confirmation must contain the following information –
- (i) the name and surname of the recipient;
 - (ii) the recipient's address;
 - (iii) the telephone number, mobile number and email address of the recipient;
 - (iv) the date and time of delivery;
 - (v) the description of the arms and ammunition received; and
 - (vi) the signature of the recipient which serves as confirmation of the correct deliverance.

A copy of the written confirmation obtained above must be delivered by the transporter to the licensing authority issuing transport licence in Form XII.

(5) The licensee holding a licence in Form XIV shall immediately notify in writing the police and licensing authority in the event of non-delivery, loss or theft of the arms or ammunition.

(6) In the event of the consignment under transportation being misused by, or stolen or lost due to the gross negligence of the transporter holding a licence in Form XIV or by any of its employees entrusted with such transportation, the licence of the transporter shall be liable to be revoked and the transporter shall be liable to be prosecuted under the provisions of the Arms Act and other applicable penal provisions.

92. Previous consent in certain cases –

(1) A licence having effect beyond the local limits of the authority of the officer granting it shall not be granted for the transport or export or re-import of any arms or ammunition to a place, without ascertaining that there is no objection to the grant of such licence on the part of the district magistrate having jurisdiction over the area in which such place is situated.

(2) For the purposes of sub-rule (1), either –

- (i) a certificate of “no objection” may be obtained by the applicant for the licence; or
- (ii) an enquiry may be made by the authority to whom application for grant of such licence is made.

Disposal of confiscated, captured, seized, recovered or surrendered firearms and ammunition

93. Confiscation, capture or seizure of firearms and ammunition

(1) The law enforcement authorities under the Central or the State Governments shall get themselves registered under the rules by making an application with the Central Government for maintaining inventory for different categories of confiscated, captured, seized, recovered or surrendered arms and ammunition. The Firearms Bureaus shall be granted UINs on registration with the Central Government and allotted separate User Ids and passwords under the NDAL system.

(2) The arms and ammunition confiscated, captured, seized, recovered or surrendered shall be taken on charge of memo of seizures to be signed by the person(s) involved in confiscation or capture or seizure or recovery or surrender, in addition to the registration of a First Information Report at the nearest police station and handed over to the empowered officer of the Central or the State Government to be deposited in the Central or the State Firearms Bureau. A history sheet of each firearm containing details of the make, type, manufacturer's serial number, caliber and nature of the firearm shall be sent along with the firearm to the Central or the State Firearms Bureau. The said Firearms Bureau shall make an entry in the receipt column of its stock register.

(3) The Central or the State Firearms Bureau shall get examined the firearms and ammunition received in its stock from an accredited gun smith holding a licence in Form IX or an Electrical & Mechanical Assistant Engineer (Small Arms) [EMAE-(SA)] under the EMAE Regulations of Indian Army working in the central military or Central Armed Police Forces or State police departments. On certification by any of the two experts, the weapon may be declared as serviceable or unserviceable or beyond economical repair (BER). All such serviceable firearms may be entered into the active firearm stock register and the details shall be uploaded on NDAL system against the UIN allotted to the Firearm Bureau.

(4) The serviceable firearms may be allotted to the eligible applicants as prescribed by the Government of India against a valid arms licence in Form III for the particular category of firearm subject to the fulfillment of the conditions laid down, against a sale voucher or invoice to be issued by the Central or State Firearm Bureau. The details of such sale or transfer are to be recorded in the register maintained on the lines as mentioned in rule 68 and uploaded on the NDAL system in the prescribed manner.

94. Destruction of firearms and ammunition – (1) Every confiscated, captured, seized, recovered or surrendered firearm that does not bear the manufacturer's serial number or additional identification mark that is reflected on the firearm shall be marked forthwith in accordance with the procedure laid down in rule 33 and rule 57 and those particulars must be recorded in a separate register and uploaded on the NDAL system under a distinct category.

(2) The local licensing authority shall be informed that the relevant firearm is to be destroyed, accompanied by the particulars regarding the make, type, caliber of the firearm as well as, every manufacturer's serial number or additional identification mark that is reflected on the firearm.

(3) The licensing authority shall get conducted an audit by a designated officer before the destruction of the firearm and ammunition to verify the particulars recorded in the list supplied to it by the Central or State Firearm Bureau.

(4) No person shall destroy a firearm without the prior written permission of the licensing authority. A firearm or ammunition shall be destroyed only in the presence of a designated officer deputed by the local licensing authority.

(5) A list of firearms or ammunition destroyed with the particulars of such firearms contemplated in sub-rule (2) shall be submitted to the licensing authority within 14 days of such destruction.

(6) The firearms under this rule may be destroyed under this rule, only by melting, pressing or in any other manner determined by the licensing authority so as to ensure that the original intent, design and purpose of the firearm or any part thereof is permanently or irrevocably destroyed.

Appeals under the Arms Act

95. Appellate authorities – (1) For the purposes of the Act and these rules the appellate authority to whom an appeal shall lie against an order of the licensing or other authority specified in column (1) of the Table below, shall be that specified in the corresponding entry in column (2) thereof :

TABLE		
Authority		Appellate Authority
(1)		(2)
(a)	District Magistrate	Commissioner of the Division or in any State in which there is no post of Commissioner of a Division, the State Government

(b)	Commissioner of Police	State Government
(c)	Officer empowered by the Central Government in a Union Territory	Administrator/Lt. Governor of the U.T.
(d)	Head of Indian Mission	Central Government

(2) For the purpose of sub-section (6) of section 17 of the Act, the licensing authority shall be deemed to be subordinate to the appellate authority.

(3) All licensing authorities shall work under the direction and control of their respective appellate authorities.

96. Reasons to be communicated to the appellate authority in certain cases – Where a licensing authority is of opinion that it will not be in the public interest to furnish reasons for the refusal, renewal, variation of conditions, revocation or suspension, of a licence, to the applicant, the recorded reasons therefor and the facts of the case shall be communicated by him to the appellate authority.

97. Appeal against the order of licensing authority or an authority suspending or revoking the licence under section 17(6) – In any case, in which an authority issues an order-

- (a) refusing to grant or renew a licence or to give a "no objection certificate" for such grant or renewal; or
- (b) varying any condition of a licence or suspending or revoking a licence under sub-section (1), or sub-section (3) or sub-section (6) of Section 17,

the person aggrieved by such order may, within thirty days from the date of issue of the order, and subject to the proviso to sub-section (2) of section 18 prefer an appeal against that order, to the concerned appellate authority.

98. Procedure to be followed by the appellate authority – On receipt of an appeal, the appellate authority may call for the records of the case from the authority who passed the order appealed against and after giving the appellant a reasonable opportunity of being heard pass final orders.

99. Fee payable on a petition for appeal made under section 18(1) – Every petition for appeal under section 18(1) shall be accompanied by a fee of Rs.1000.

Provisions relating to Republic of Nepal

100. Import, transport and export of arms and ammunition for the Government of Nepal –

(1) Where arms or ammunition are imported into India for despatch to the Government of Nepal, the customs authorities at the port of disembarkation, or the licensing authority in other places, shall check the consignment against the list of arms or ammunition received from the Central Government; the packages shall be sealed thereafter in the presence of a Customs Examiner or any other authority appointed for the purpose by the Central Government.

- (2) (a) Where arms or ammunition imported into, or acquired in, India are to be despatched to Republic of Nepal for the Government of Nepal, they shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Indian Customs or the licensing authority of the area concerned to that effect; the certificate shall also contain a description of the marks on each package or case sufficient to enable it to be readily identified and a general statement of the contents of such package or case;
- (b) on receipt of requisition from the clearing agents or the firm concerned, as the case may be, the district magistrate shall arrange for necessary escort up to the railway station;
- (c) the railway authorities shall, not receive for despatch any package or case containing, arms or ammunition unless accompanied by a certificate as required under clause (a).

(3) Where in any case –

- (i) the list referred to in sub-rule (1), is not received from the Central Government, or
- (ii) the arms or ammunition imported into, or intended to be despatched from India do not correspond with the description given in such list,

the authorities concerned shall not allow the consignment to be despatched to Republic of Nepal and shall forthwith inform the Central Government.

101. Transport of arms from any place in Nepal to any other place in Nepal through Indian Territory –

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 6 and rule 79 the Ambassador of India in Nepal, on an application made by the Government of Nepal, and subject to confirmation by the Central Government, may grant a licence in Form XV for the import into, possession in, transport across, or export out of, India from any place in the territory of Nepal to any other place in that territory across the frontiers of India, of arms or ammunition of categories I and II or any other category, by Nepal Government's troops or police, as the case may be.

(2) Where under the authority of a licence granted under sub-rule (1), arms or ammunition are to pass across Indian territory-

(a) if entirely by rail, a copy of the licence shall forthwith be sent by the Ambassador to the district magistrates having jurisdiction over the areas through which the arms or ammunition shall pass across the frontiers of India and also to the railway authorities of the place in the Indian Territory through which the consignment shall pass;

(b) if by road or river, a copy of the licence shall forthwith be sent to the district magistrates having jurisdiction over the areas through which the arms or ammunition shall pass to Nepal across the frontiers of India.

(3) The Central Government, or the Ambassador with the approval of the Central Government, may make any order regulating the safe transit to Nepal across the frontiers of India of the arms or ammunition mentioned in this rule.

Miscellaneous

102. Common conditions applicable to all types of licences –

1. The licensee shall –

(a) not possess Government arms and ammunition as defined in clause (u) of rule 2:

Provided that the above condition may be cancelled by the authority granting the licence empowered to do so by the Central Government, and an endorsement added showing the Government arms or ammunition which the licensee is authorized to possess.

- (b) on demand by an authorized officer produce the firearms possessed under his licence;
 - (c) not sell or transfer any firearms or ammunition or any part thereof covered by this licence to any person not lawfully entitled to possess them;
 - (d) forthwith give information at the nearest police station of the loss or theft of any arms or ammunition covered by his licence;
2. The authority granting or renewing the licence has the right to enquire at any time during the currency of the licence, whether the weapon for which it has been granted, is still in the possession of the licensee, and may require the production of the weapon for the purpose of such an enquiry.
 3. Save where he is specially authorized in this behalf by the district magistrate concerned, the licensee shall not carry any arms covered by the licence within the campus or precincts of any educational institution.

103. Security and precautionary conditions for storage of ingredients of ammunition (category VI) –

- (a) Chlorates shall be kept in a building constructed of unflammable materials only and separated from any dwelling house, other building, highway, street, public thoroughfare or public place by a distance of not less than 10 feet:

Provided that, where the total quantity stored does not exceed 100 kgs., chlorates may be kept exclusively in a closed and secured receptacle placed in a building used for the keeping of other articles not being of an explosive or highly inflammable nature.

- (b) Sulphur shall not be kept in the same room with saltpetre in the premises specified in the licence:

Provided that when the quantity of each does not exceed 100 kgs., sulphur and saltpetre may be kept in separate closed receptacles in the same room.

- (c) No person shall smoke and no open fires shall be allowed at any time in the premises specified in the licence or in the vicinity of the receptacles mentioned in provisos to condition (a) and (b).

- (d) Where any building used for storage of such materials is fitted with electric lighting or power, the licensee shall get these installations tested at least once a year or once during the currency of the licence, by an Electrical Inspector appointed under the Electricity Act, 2003.
- (e) Any accident, fire or explosion occurring within the premises specified in the licence which is attended with loss of human life or serious injury to person or property shall be reported at once by the licensee to the officer-in-charge of the nearest police station having jurisdiction over the place of his business or factory as well as to the Inspector of Explosives of the circle concerned.
- (f) The conversion into explosives of sulphur in admixture with chlorates shall be permitted for the following purposes only (and for no other purposes) -
 - (i) in small quantities for scientific purposes; or
 - (ii) for the purposes of manufacturing heads of matches; or
 - (iii) for use in toy amorces (paper caps for toy pistols).

104. Power to remove difficulties – In order to give effect to any of the provisions of the Act and these rules, the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs, may at anytime issue such orders as may be necessary or deemed appropriate by it.

105. Savings – (1) The Arms Rules, 1962, are hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken (including any exemption, exclusion or withdrawal made, fee imposed, levied, remitted or reduced or power conferred) or deemed to have been done or taken under the said rules, shall, so far as it is consistent with these rules, be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

SCHEDULE I (See rule 3)			
Part A			
Category		Arms	Ammunition
1		2	3
I	(a)	Prohibited Arms Prohibited arms as defined in section 2(1)(i) of the Arms Act and such other arms as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify to be prohibited arms and include small arms, light weapons and items configured for military use, other than those defined in category I(b), I(c) and III,	Prohibited Ammunition Prohibited ammunition as defined in Section 2 (1)(h) and such other articles as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, specify to be prohibited ammunition and includes ammunition for small arms light weapons and items configured for military use, other than those defined in category I(b), I(c) and III
	(b)	Restricted Arms <u>Classification on the basis of nature of firearms</u> Semi-automatic firearms which cannot be converted into fully automatic firearms and other than those defined in category III(a) and III(c); Smooth bore guns having barrel of less than 20" in length; Centrefire rifles of any barrel length (semi-automatic); Electronic disabling devices having firing range of more than 4.5 meters	Restricted Ammunition Ammunition for arms of category I (b).
	(c)	Restricted Arms <u>Classification on the basis of ammunition used in firearms</u> Bolt action or semi-automatic rifles of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm bore which can chamber and fire service ammunition of .303" or 7.62 mm or 5.56 mm caliber;	Restricted Ammunition Ammunition for firearms of category I (c).

		Handguns (revolvers and pistols) which can chamber – .38" or .455" rimmed cartridges or service 9 mm (9x19 or 9 mm parabellum) or .45" rimless cartridges.	
II		Machinery for manufacture or proof testing of firearms	Machinery for manufacturing ammunition.
III		Permissible Arms Fire-arms other than those in categories I, II and IV, namely:	Permissible Ammunition Ammunition for firearms other than those in categories I, II and IV, namely:
	(a)	Handguns (revolvers and pistols) including semi-automatic other than those mentioned in restricted category I(c)	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (a)
	(b)	Breech loading Centrefire rifles (not semi-automatic)	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (b)
	(c)	.22 bore Rimfire rifles (including semi-automatic)	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (c)
	(d)	Smooth bore breech loading shotguns	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (d)
	(e)	Muzzle-loading guns	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (e)
	(f)	Air weapons including Air Rifles and Air Guns having muzzle energy exceeding 20 joules or 15 ft-lbs	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (f)
	(g)	Firearm Replicas	Nil
	(h)	Electronic disabling devices having firing range of less than 4.5 meters	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (h)
	(i)	Paintball markers or paintball guns	Nil
	(j)	Blank-firing firearms	Ammunition for fire-arms of category III (j)
	(k)	accessories for any firearms designed or adapted to diminish the noise or flash caused by the firing thereof.	Nil
IV		Curios and historical weapons, other than those excluded under section 45(c)	Curios and historical ammunition.

V		Arms other than firearms: Sharp-edged and deadly weapons, namely: Swords (including sword-sticks), daggers, bayonets, spears (including; lances and javelins), battle-axes, knives (including Kirpans and Khukries) and other such weapons with blades longer than 9" or wider than 2" other than those designed for domestic, agricultural, scientific or industrial purposes, steel baton, "Zipo" and other such weapons called 'life preservers', machinery for making arms, other than category II, and any other arms which the Central Government may notify under Section 4.		Nil
Part B				
Ingredients of Ammunition and other items				
Category		Items		
VI	(a)	Articles containing explosives or fulminating material: fuses and friction tubes other than blank fire cartridges		
	(b)	Ingredients as defined in section 2(1)(b)(vii) including – (i) lead, sulphur, saltpetre and sodium azide; (ii) chlorates and per chlorates; (iii) fissionable material; and (iv) asphyxiating, poisonous, irritant or other gases and analogous liquid, materials or devices which are not used in any bonafide industrial process in India		

SCHEDULE II

(See Rule 4)

LICENSING AUTHORITIES ETC.

Item No.	Purpose	Categories of arms/ammunition as defined in Schedule I	Place/Class of persons	Licensing Authority	Area for which Licence can be granted	Renewing Authority	Form No.	Conditions
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Acquisition/ Possession/ Import and Transport	I (a), II	Whole of India	Central Govt. in the Ministry of Home Affairs	Whole of India or any specified area	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	I	-
2	Acquisition/ possession and use	III (b), III (c), III (d), III (e), V, VI	District or any specified area	District Magistrate	Throughout the district or his area of jurisdiction or any specified part of his jurisdiction	District Magistrate	II	-
3	Acquisition/ possession/ carrying and use for protection/ sport/target practice/ display	(i) I (b), I (c)	Whole of India	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs.	Whole of India or any specified part thereof	District Magistrate	III	-
		(ii) III, V, VI	(i) District	District Magistrate	Throughout the district or his area of jurisdiction or any specified part of his jurisdiction	District Magistrate	III/V	
		III, V, VI	(ii) State	District Magistrate	Whole of the State or any specified part thereof	District Magistrate	III/V	

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		III, V, VI	(iii) Whole of India	State Government	Whole of India or any specified part thereof	District Magistrate	III/V	
		(iii) I (b), I (c)	In case of retainers of exemptees	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs.	India or any specified part thereof	State Govt. or any officer specially empowered by the State Government in this behalf.	III-A	-
		(iv) III, V, VI	In case of retainers of exemptees					
			(i) District	District Magistrate	Throughout the District or his area of jurisdiction or any specified part of his jurisdiction	District Magistrate	III-A	-
			(ii) State	District Magistrate	Whole of the State or any specified part thereof.	District Magistrate	III-A	-
			(iii) Whole of India	State Government	Whole of India or any specified part thereof	District Magistrate	III-A	-
4.	Acquisition/possession / carrying and use for destruction of wild animals, which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops	III (b), III (c), III (d), III (e), V.	District or any specified area.	District Magistrate or any officer specially empowered by the State Government in this behalf.	Throughout the district or area of his jurisdiction or any specified part of his jurisdiction	Same as licensing Authority.	IV	

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
5(a)	Import into, possession and carrying of arms or ammunition by the International sports persons visiting India for participation in tournament/ event or series of tournaments/ events	III	Whole of India	Head of the Indian High Commission or Indian Embassy of the country to which the sports person belongs, or the District Magistrate at the port of entry/arrival in India or any other officer specially empowered by the Central Government	India or any specified part thereof	No renewal	VI	The licence shall be valid for a maximum period of six months or validity of visa whichever is earlier and granted only for the purpose of shooting sport.
5(b)	Acquiring, possessing during the course of his stay in (but not use) and carrying in, and export out of India by a tourist	III, IV, V (Made in India only)	-	District Magistrate or any officer specially empowered by the State Government	-	No renewal	VI	The licence shall be valid for a maximum period of six months or validity of visa, whichever is earlier and granted for weapons Made in India only.
5(c)	Other temporary categories of Import/ Export licences	III	Whole of India	Head of the Indian High Commission or Indian Embassy of the country to which the person defined in rule 43(1) belongs, or the District Magistrate at the port of entry/arrival in India or any other officer specially empowered by the Central Government	India or any specified part thereof			The licence shall be valid for a maximum period of six months or validity of visa whichever is earlier and granted only for the defined purpose as mentioned in rule 44(1)

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
6.	Manufacture or Proof Test or both, transfer, sale, keeping for sale, or transfer	All	Through-out India	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	VII (Part I) VII (Part II)	-
7.	Manufacture transfer, sale, keeping for sale, or transfer	V	State	District Magistrate	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	District Magistrate	VII-A	-
8(a)	Sale, Transfer or test (other than proof-test), and keeping for sale, transfer or test.	I (b) I (c)	State	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	VIII	-
		III V VI	State	State Government	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	District Magistrate	VIII	-
8(b)	Keeping for safe custody	For the categories of arms and ammunition in the licence issued under S.No. 8(a)						
		I (b) I (c)	State	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	VIII	
		I (d) III V VI	State	State Government	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	District Magistrate	VIII	-

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
9(a)	Licence to gunsmiths to convert, shorten, repair (major) or test (other than proof-test) or keeping for conversion, repair (major) or test (other than proof test) of firearms	I(b), I(c), III, VI(b)	State	State Government	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	District Magistrate	IX	Other than that of category I(a), II -
9(b)	Licence to gunsmiths to repair (minor) or test (other than proof-test) or keeping for repair (minor) or test (other than proof test) of firearms	I(b), I(c), III	State	District Magistrate	Within the premises to be specified in the licence.	District Magistrate	IX-A	Other than that of category I(a), II -
10 (a)	Import of arms and ammunition into India	(i) I (b), I (c)	(i) At any customs port in India.	(a) Central Govt. in the Ministry of Home Affairs	-	No renewal	I	-
		(ii) III	(ii) At any customs port in India.	(b) Central Govt. in the Ministry of Home Affairs.	-	No renewal	X	-
		(iii) IV, V, VI	(iii) At any customs port in India.	(c) District Magistrate of the place at which Importer is located or in whose jurisdiction the port of import lies	-	No renewal	X	-

Item No.	Purpose	Categories of arms/ammunition as defined in Schedule I	Place/Class of persons	Licensing Authority	Area for which Licence can be granted	Renewing Authority	Form No.	Conditions
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		(iv) Sulphur	(iv) At ports of Kakinada, Tuticorin & Cochin.	(c) State Government in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu or Kerala.	-	No renewal	X	In reasonable quantities for medicinal, agricultural or industrial purpose.
10 (b)	Export to a foreign territory	(i) All	(i) From any customs port in India to a port in a Foreign Territory.	(i) Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs or any officer specially empowered by the Central Govt. in the Ministry of Home Affairs	-	No renewal	X	-
		(ii) IV, V, VI	(ii) From any customs port in India to a port in a Foreign Territory.	(ii) Government of the State in which the exporter is located	-	No renewal	X	-
10 (c)	In-transit licence and licence for export and re-import	(i) All	(a) Between one port of India to another	(a) Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs or an officer specially empowered for the purpose by the Central Government in the Ministry of Home Affairs	-	No renewal	X	-
		(ii) III, IV, V, VI	(b) From any place in Nepal	(b) Ambassador of India in Nepal	-	No renewal	X	-

Item No.	Purpose	Categories of arms/ammunition as defined in Schedule I	Place/Class of persons	Licensing Authority	Area for which Licence can be granted	Renewing Authority	Form No.	Conditions
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	Carrying on journey in or through any port in India	All	Through-out India	District Magistrate	India or any specified part thereof.	No renewal.	XI	-
			In case of persons residing in Nepal.	Ambassador of India in Nepal.	India or any specified part thereof	No renewal.	XI	-
12	Transport	I (b), I (c), III, IV, V, VI.	Through-out India	District Magistrate	-	No renewal	XII	-
13	Transport Licence for dispatch of gun barrels/ completed firearms for Proof-test	III	Through-out India	District Magistrate	-	No renewal	XIII	-
14	Licence to Transporter	I(b), I(c), III IV, V, VI	Through-out India	State Government	India or any specified part thereof	District Magistrate	XIV	-
15	Import into, possession and transport out of India by Nepal Govt's forces and Police.	All	Nepal	Ambassador of India in Nepal	-	No renewal	XV	Subject to the confirmation by Central Govt. in the Ministry of Home Affairs

SCHEDULE III

FORM - I

Licence for –

(A) Acquisition / Possession / Import and Transport of firearms or ammunition of categories I (a) and II; and

(B) Import of Fire-arms and Ammunition of Categories I(b), I(c)

U.I.N _____

Name, description and residence of licensee and (agent if any)	Number of packages	Description with specification of calibre of artillery or other articles	Number of articles	COLUMNS TO BE FILLED IN CASE OF IMPORT OR TRANSPORT			Period for which the licence is valid	Use to which the articles are to be put
				Place of despatch and route	Place of destination	Name, description and residence of consignee		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Date on which a copy is sent vide rule (7) to –

The District Magistrate ofdistrict

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(Signature)

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Secretary / Joint Secretary
to the Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
or

Signature and designation of the
officer specially empowered to sign
the licence under Rule 5

FORM OF RENEWAL OF THE LICENCE

Date and year of renewal	Date on which renewed licence expires	Signature & designation of renewing authority	SEAL

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 of these rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the arms and ammunition specified in columns 2, 3 and 4 and for the purposes shown in column 9.
3. In case of import or transport –
 - (a) an account of the contents of each package shall be legibly written thereon;
 - (b) bulk shall not be broken before the articles reach the place of destination;
 - (c) the articles shall be delivered only to a person lawfully entitled to receive them.
4. The licensee shall give prior intimation to the licensing authority concerned of his intention to break up or dispose of any fire-arms or ammunition or any part thereof; failing which proof of the articles having been broken up or disposed of, will have to be furnished to the satisfaction of the licensing authority.

FORM II

Licence for acquisition, possession and use of arms or ammunition of categories III (b), III (c), III (d), III (e), V or VI

U.I.N _____

Name, description and residence of licensee and agent (if any)	Number and description of arms	Ammunition		Place (with description) where articles are to be kept	Period for which the licence is valid
		Description	Quantity		
1	2	3	4	5	6

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Licensing Authority

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Form of Renewal of the Licence			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of renewing authority	SEAL

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 and specific safety conditions related to ingredients of ammunition contained in rule 103, of these rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the arms or ammunition specified in columns 2, 3 and 4, so long as they are kept in the place described in column 5, but does not authorize the licensee-
 - (i) to carry arms;
 - (ii) to keep Government arms or ammunition.
3. Where a licence in this form is granted for the possession of Potassium Chlorate by an educational institution, the following further conditions shall apply:
 - (a) The quantity of chlorate stored should be the minimum required for laboratory purposes as certified by the Head of the Institution to the licensing authority.
 - (b) The stock of chlorate possessed should be kept in a well-made cupboard or almirah under lock and key under the control and supervision of a responsible member of the staff and the place where the chemicals are kept should be adequately secured.
 - (c) Accounts of issues and balances of chlorate possessed should be kept and checked with the actual stock at frequent intervals by a responsible member of the staff. The account book should be available for inspection on demand by any Magistrate or any Police Officer of a rank not below that of Inspector.

FORM III

Licence for the acquisition, possession, carrying and use of arms or ammunition for sport/target practice/protection/display of categories I(b), I(c), III, V, VI

U.I.N	Serial No. of licence	Name, date of birth and residence of licensee	Arms and Ammunition that the licensee is entitled to possess		
			Brief description of each weapon with details e.g. identification marks, manufacturer's serial number etc.	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition	
				to be possessed at any one time	purchasable during the year
1	2	3	4	5	6
Area within which the licence is valid		Date on which the licence expires	Date on which the licence or the arms or both shall be produced for inspection before licensing authority under rule 17		
7		8	9		

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Name (in capital)/Signature of the Licensing Authority

Designation

Place

Or

Signature of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under Rule 5

Designation

Place.....

Form of Renewal of Licence				
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Name (in capital) / Signature and designation of the renewing authority	Signature and designation of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under rule 5	SEAL

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 of these rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

- (1) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
- (2) It covers only the person named, and the arms or ammunition described therein.
- (3) The licensee shall acquire and produce the arms together with the licence, within the time limit granted or extended as specified in column 9, before the licensing authority. If within the period so specified or extended the licensee fails to acquire the arms and to produce the licence or the arms or both, as the case may be, the licence shall cease to be in force.
- (4) The licensee, at the time of purchasing any arms or ammunition shall cause the following particulars to be endorsed upon his licence under the vendor's signature, namely –
 - (a) the name, description and residence of the person who takes delivery of the articles purchased;
 - (b) the nature and quantity of the articles purchased; and
 - (c) the date of purchase,

and if the arms or ammunition are purchased from any person other than a licensed dealer, shall also cause the particulars specified in clauses (b) and (c) to be furnished in writing to the authority who granted this licence within such period as may be prescribed for this purpose by such authority.

- (5) The licensee shall not purchase ammunition of any kind in excess of the maximum prescribed both for the amount purchasable in a year and for the amount that may be possessed at any one time as laid down in rule 22. If, however, a licensee exhausts the total quantity of ammunition purchasable in a year earlier than the close of the year, he may for good and sufficient reasons be given a temporary increase in the total quantity purchasable at the discretion of the licensing authority.
- (6) Without prejudice to the voidance of this licence for breach of any of the foregoing conditions, it shall be void if-
- (a) the licensee dies, or
 - (b) any weapon-covered thereby-
 - (i) is sold, or transferred; or
 - (ii) is attached in execution of a decree;

Provided that where a weapon is sold or transferred, the licensing authority may permit the holder of the licence to acquire a fresh weapon of the same description within such period as may be specified by him in this behalf and subject to fulfillment of condition 3 mentioned above.

- (7) The licensee shall not carry a firearm in a public place unless the firearm is carried –
- (a) in the case of a handgun –
 - i) in a holster or similar holder designed, manufactured or adapted for the carrying of a handgun and attached to his person; or
 - ii) in a rucksack or similar holder; or
 - (b) in the case of another firearm, in a holder designed, manufactured or adapted for the carrying of a firearm.

Further the firearm must be completely covered and the person carrying the firearm must be able to exercise effective control over such firearm.

- (8) The licensee shall not resort to brandishing of firearms in public place nor shall he carry or discharge a firearm in a built up area or any public place on the occasion of marriage, public assembly, fair or procession or any public event.
- (9) The licensee shall not point out any firearm, whether or not it is loaded or capable of being discharged, at any other person, without a good reason to do so.

- (10) The licensee shall ensure to keep his firearm in his possession at a secured place under lock and key when such firearm is not carried on his person or not under his direct control, however, he shall not deposit any firearm or ammunition in any bank locker.
- (11) The licensee shall in the event of any loss, theft or destruction of the arms licence or firearm shall report about such an event to the nearest police station within 24 hours after having become aware of the loss, theft or destruction of the licence or firearm.
- (12) The licensee shall submit the application for renewal of licence minimum thirty days prior to expiry of the validity period of his licence with the concerned licensing authority along with the payment of fees as applicable under Schedule IV.
- (13) Permission to possess Government arms or ammunition may be given by the licensing authority if empowered to do so by the Central Government by making an endorsement on the licence showing the Government arms or ammunition, which the licensee is authorized to possess.

Conditions for Additional Licences under Rule 19

- (14) Additonal Licensee at the time of making an application for grant of Additoanl Licence should not hold any Individual Licence in his name. Further the Additional Licensee is not eligible to apply for an individual licence during the period he is an additional licensee.
- (15) The additional licensee is prohibited to purchase any arms and ammunition on the additional licence. Only the arms and ammunition endorsed on the parent licence may be got endorsed on the Additional Licence.
- (16) The period of validity and the area validity of the additional licence shall rank *pari-passu* with that of the parent licence. The validity of additional licence shall lapse with the parent licence and if in any eventuality the parent licence is suspended, revoked or cancelled, the additional licence shall also be subject to the same legal consequence.
- (17) The additional licensee is not permitted to sell or transfer the arms or ammunition endorsed on his licence.
- (18) In case the holder of additional licence shifts temporarily or permanently from the premises of the parent licensee, such additional licence will automatically lapse and such additional licence shall have to be immediately surrendered to the licensing authority.

FORM III-A

Licence for possession and carrying by a retainer of an Exemptee of arms or ammunition for the purpose of sport/protection/display

U.I.N	Serial No. of licence	Name, description and residence of the person exempted under Section 41, who has nominated the licensee	Name and residence of the licensee	Name and residence of parent of the licensee	Arms or ammunition that licensee is entitled to possess and carry		Area of validity of licence, i.e. through out India, State or District	Date on which licence expires, or the date on which the person specified in column 3 ceases to be exempted under section 41, (whichever is earlier)
					Brief description of each weapon with details, e.g. identification marks, manufacturer's serial No. etc.	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Name (in capital)/Signature of the Licensing Authority
Designation
Place

SEAL

Or

Signature of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under Rule 5

Designation
Place

Form of Renewal of Licence				
Date and year of renewal	Date on which renewed licence expired	Name (in capital) / signature and designation of renewing authority	Signature and designation of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under rule 5	SEAL
1	2	3	4	5

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 of these Rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the person named in column 4 of this licence and the arms or ammunition described in columns 6 and 7.
3. This licence shall only be granted to a person nominated in that behalf and certified to be his own retainer by a person exempted under section 41 of the Act, and it shall only be granted in respect of the arms or ammunition specified in this behalf by, and being the property of, such exempted person.
4. The grant/renewal of this licence is subject to the condition that it shall expire on the date on which the person specified in column 3 of this licence ceases to be exempted under section 41 of the Act where such date is earlier than the date on which it would otherwise expire in the normal course.
5. The licensee shall not carry any arms covered by this licence otherwise than in good faith for the purpose of sport/protection/display.

Passport size
photograph of
the Retainer to
be attested by
the Company

FORM III (B)
Permit
to Retainers of Companies

Licensee Particulars		
1.	Name of the company	
2.	Address as appearing on the licence	
3.	Licence Number and U.I.N.	
4.	Validity of the Licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
5.	Area Validity of the Licence	
6.	Name of the responsible person with designation	
<i>The person whose particulars are detailed below is hereby appointed to be an armed retainer of the company entitling him to possess, carry and use, for all lawful orders issued by me, as a responsible person of the company, the arms or ammunition mentioned in column 10 and 11, covered by the licence of the company as mentioned in column 3.</i>		
Retainer Particulars		
7.	Name of the Retainer	
8.	Father's Name	
9.	Address of the Retainer and Nearest Police Station	
10.	Details of the weapon entrusted to the Retainer	
	Type	
	Caliber/Bore	
	Weapon Number	
11.	Quantity of Ammunition entrusted to the Retainer	
12.	Validity of the Permit up to	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
13.	Signatures of the Retainer	
<i>The Retainer mentioned in column 7 must carry this permit with him when carrying the arms or ammunition and shall not carry the arms or ammunition to an area not covered by the licence</i>		

Stamp and Seal of the
Licensing Authority

*Signature with stamp of the responsible person
signing on behalf of the company*

FORM IV

Composite Licence for Acquisition/ Possession/ Carrying & Use of arms or ammunition for destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops

U.I.N.	Licence Number	Name, description and residence of the licensee	<u>Arms and ammunition</u>			Place or area within which the licence is valid	Period for which the licence is valid	Date on which the licence or the arms or both shall be produced for inspection before the licensing authority under rule 17
			Brief description of each weapon with details e.g., manufacturer's serial no. and identification marks, if any	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition				
				Maximum to be possessed at any one time	Maximum purchasable during the year			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
In case of destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle				In case of protection against damage to crops				
Specification of the wild beasts which are permitted to be destroyed under this licence as per the permit granted under the Wild life (Protection) Act, 1972 to the licensee				Title and residence of Magistrate to whom the licence and the weapon(s) must be shown between the 15 th November and 31 st December of each year				
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Place

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which renewed licence expired	Signature and designation of renewing authority	SEAL

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 of these rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

1. This licence is granted subject to –
 - (a) all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, and of the Arms Rules, 2015;
 - (b) the provisions of Sections 11 and 39 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972, or other relevant sections, as the case may be, in respect of the State and Union Territory where the said Act is applicable.
2. The licensee shall not carry any arms covered by this licence otherwise than in good faith for destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops beyond the place or area entered in column 7.
3. The licensee shall not purchase or possess ammunition of any kind in excess of the maximum allowed under columns 5 and 6 of the licence subject to the maximum limits laid down in rule 22.
4. At the time of purchasing any arms or ammunition the licensee shall cause the following particulars to be endorsed upon his licence under the vendor's signature namely:
 - (a) the name, description and residence of the person who takes delivery of the articles purchased;
 - (b) the nature and quantity of the articles purchased; and
 - (c) the date of purchase;

and if the arms are purchased from any person other than a licensed dealer, he shall also cause the particulars specified in clauses (b) and (c) to be furnished, in writing, to the authority who granted this licence within such period as may be prescribed for this purpose by such authority.

5. The licensee shall acquire and produce the arms together with the licence, within the time limit granted or extended as specified in column 9, before the licensing authority. If within the period so specified or extended the licensee fails to acquire the arms and to produce the licence or the arms or both, as the case may be, the licence shall cease to be in force.
6. For licence granted for destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops, the licensee shall produce this licence and every weapon covered thereby before the magistrate referred to in column 11, once every year, between the 15th November and the 31st December.
7. Further,
 - (a) The licensee shall not lend any arms or ammunition covered by this licence to any person.
 - (b) Where, after the end of any harvest season, the State Government considers it expedient that for the protection of wild life in any area, any firearm or ammunition licensed in this form should be deposited in a police station or with a licensed dealer, it may, by order, require any licensee to so deposit such firearm or ammunition for such period as the arms are not required for protection of crops and as may be specified therein, and thereupon the licensee shall be bound to comply with such order.
8. Without prejudice to the voidance of this licence for breach of any of the foregoing conditions, it shall be void if-
 - (a) the licensee dies; or
 - (b) any weapon-covered thereby-
 - (i) is sold or transferred, or
 - (ii) is attached in execution of a decree:

Provided that where a weapon is sold or transferred, the licensing authority may permit the holder of the licence to acquire a fresh weapon of the same description within such period as may be specified by him in this behalf.

FORM V

Licence for acquisition, possession and use, for the purpose of sport/target practice, of firearms or ammunition

UIN	Serial Number of the licence	Name description & location of the mess, club or association or firing range	Arms and ammunition that the licensee is entitled to possess		Place within which the licence is valid	Date on which the licence expires	Date on which the licence or the arms or both shall be produced for inspection before the licensing authority under rule 17
			Maximum to be possessed at any one time	Maximum purchasable during the year			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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Name (in capital)/Signature of the Licensing Authority

Designation

Place

SEAL

Or

Signature of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under Rule 5

Designation

Place

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE				
Date and year of renewal	Date on which renewed licence expired	Name (in capital) / signature and designation of renewing authority	Signature and designation of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under Rule 5	SEAL

CONDITIONS

In addition to the common conditions contained in rule 102 of these rules, this licence shall be subject to the following additional conditions –

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the mess, club, association or firing range named and the arms and ammunition described therein.
3. The licensee shall acquire and produce the arms together with the licence, within the time limit granted or extended as specified in column 8, before the licensing authority. If within the period so specified or extended the licensee fails to acquire the arms and to produce the licence or the arms or both, as the case may be, the licence shall cease to be in force.
4. The licensee shall, at the time of purchasing any arms or ammunition, cause the following particulars to be endorsed upon its licence under the vendor's signature, namely:
 - (a) the name, description and residence of the person who takes delivery of the articles purchased on behalf of the mess, club or association;
 - (b) the nature and quantity of the articles purchased; and
 - (c) the date of purchase;

and if the arms or ammunition are purchased from any person other than a licensed dealer, shall also cause the particulars specified in clauses (b) and (c) to be furnished in writing to the authority who granted this licence within such period as may be prescribed by that authority for this purpose.

4. No purchase of ammunition shall, however, be permitted except on a written certificate from the licensee certifying that with the amount proposed to be purchased, the total quantity of ammunition in his possession will not exceed the maximum which he is entitled to possess at any one time, or his total allowance for the year.
5. The mess, club, association or firing range shall not purchase or possess ammunition in excess of the quantities allowed under columns 4 and 5 of the licence or the maximum, which may, from time to time, be fixed by the Central Government for the amount purchasable in a year and for the amount that may be possessed at any one time. Proper inventory of ammunition acquired and consumed shall be maintained to include ammunition consumed for its own use and consumed by the registered members of such mess, club, association or firing range.

FORM V (A)

WRITTEN AUTHORISATION <i>[to be issued by the lender under rule 35(4)]</i>		
Particulars of the Lender		
1.	Name of the lender dedicated sports person	
2.	U.I.N.	
3.	Licence Number	
4.	Period of validity of licence	
5.	Address as mentioned in the licence	
6.	Telephone/Mobile Number	
Particulars of the Borrower		
1.	Name of the borrower dedicated sports person	
2.	Parent Spouse Name	
3.	Membership Number <i>(in case borrower is a registered member of rifle club or association)</i>	
4.	Residence Address	
5.	Telephone/Mobile Number	
6.	Purpose of grant of Authorization (Training/Target-practice/ Sporting Event)	
7.	Period for which the Authorization is being issued <i>(maximum period: 15 days)</i>	
8.	Area within which the Authorization is valid	
9.	Name and address of the shooting range where the firearms and ammunition are to be carried	

Details of Arms & Ammunition which the Borrower is entitled to carry and use for training/target practice			
Particulars	Weapon 1	Weapon 2	Weapon 3
<u>Details of Firearms</u>			
Weapon Type			
Weapon Bore			
Weapon Number			
<u>Ammunition</u>			
Number of cartridges			
<u>Accessories</u>			

(Name and Signature of the Lender)

Note –

Written-Authorization issued having effect beyond the jurisdiction of the state where the lender is registered, requires to be authenticated by the concerned District Magistrate as per rule 35(5).

FORM V (B)

PASS TO MEMBER(S) OF RIFLE CLUB/ASSOCIATION <i>(to be issued on the printed letter head of club/association)</i>		
Licensee Particulars		
1.	Name of the Rifle Club/ Association	
2.	U.I.N.	
3.	Licence Number	
4.	Name of the Responsible Person	
5.	Registered Address	
6.	Telephone/Mobile Number	
Particulars of the Member to whom the Pass is being issued		
1.	Name of the Member	
2.	Parent Spouse Name	
3.	Membership Number	
4.	Residence Address	
5.	Telephone/Mobile Number	
6.	Purpose of grant of Pass (Repair/Training / Target Practice/Sporting Event)	
7.	Period for which the Pass is being issued	
8.	Area within which the Pass is valid	
9.	Name and address of the Gun smith or the shooting range where the firearms and ammunition are to be carried	

Details of Arms & Ammunition which the Pass holder is entitled to carry for repair/training/target practice			
Particulars	Weapon 1	Weapon 2	Weapon 3
<u>Details of Firearms</u>			
Weapon Type			
Weapon Bore			
Weapon Number			
<u>Ammunition</u>			
Number of cartridges			
<u>Accessories</u>			

To be signed/stamped by the Responsible Person
on behalf of the Shooting Club/Association

Note –

For the Pass issued having effect beyond the jurisdiction of the state where the rifle club/association is registered, the pass to be authenticated by the concerned District Magistrate as per rule 36 (5).

FORM VI

TEMPORARY IMPORT/EXPORT LICENCE

U.I.N. _____ **Licence Number** _____

*Category of Licensee as applicable	Name and description of licensee, nationality and passport number of the licensee or group leader or manager of the sporting team/group	Arms or ammunition that the licensee of category mentioned in column (1) is entitled to possess and carry		Place of arrival in India	Place of departure from India	Period for which the licence is valid
		Brief description of each weapon	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition			
1	2	3	5	6	7	8

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Licensing Authority
Designation
Place

*Categories of licensees as per column 1 above

Category	Type of licence	Category of arms as per Schedule I
a)	that sports person (s) is/are entitled to import into, possession, use (for shooting sport events), journey in, transport across and export out of India for the duration of the shooting sport event or till the validity of visa, whichever is earlier	III
b)	that tourist is entitled to acquire/ possess (but not use) during the course of his stay in / carrying in / export out of India	III, IV, V (Made in India)
c)	that a foreign visitor is entitled to import into, possession, display at a trade or sport show and export out of India	III
d)	that an official of a foreign government or a distinguished foreign visitor or a foreign law enforcement officer with the prior approval of MEA is entitled to import into, possess, carry and export out of India	III
e)	that a legitimate person with the prior approval of Central Government is entitled to import into, possess, carry and export out of India	III

CONDITIONS

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the persons named, and the arms or ammunition described therein.
3. On arrival at any Indian Port, the licence together with the passport/visa, shall be presented to the licensing authority of the port of arrival, along with an undertaking from the licensee that the arms or ammunition endorsed on the licence shall not be sold or transferred to any person during his stay in India, wherein an entry to this effect shall also be made by the licensing authority in the passport/visa giving full particulars of the arms and ammunition for which the licence has been granted.
4. The licensee shall not, unless specially empowered in this behalf by the authority granting the licence, carry arms or ammunition to a fair, religious procession or other public assemblage or within the campus or precincts of any educational institution while and during his stay in India.
5. The licensee shall –
 - (a) on demand by any magistrate, police officer or any authorized officer produce the weapons covered by this licence;
 - (b) forthwith give information at the nearest police station of the loss or theft of any arms or ammunition covered by the licence.
6. The licensee, while in India, is prohibited to sell or transfer any arms or ammunition or part thereof covered by this licence, to any person.
7. The licensee shall produce the weapon at the time of leaving India and return his licence to the passport-checking authority or other officer empowered by the district magistrate in this behalf at the port or other place of departure from India.
8. Export of category IV arms shall be allowed only if the application is accompanied by a certificate from the Director-General of Archaeology of the Central Government to the effect that the arms intended to be exported do not fall within the definition of “antiquity” under the Antiquities and Treasures Act, 1972.

FORM VII (Part-I)

Licence for setting up Industrial Unit for

Manufacture ☐
Proof Test ☐
Manufacture & Proof Test ☐

of

Firearms/Ammunition

U.I.N. _____ **Licence Number** _____

Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of Fire Arms allowed to be manufactured after grant of licence in Part II of Form VII		Description of Ammunition allowed to be manufactured after grant of licence in Part II of Form VII		Categories of Arms allowed to be proof-tested during trial run	Name of Range or other place where allowed to test during trial run	Date on which the licence expires
	Category	Annual production (Number)	Category	Annual production (Number or Weight in Kgs.)			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

The.....of.....20.....

Date on which a copy is sent vide rule 7(2) to –

The District Magistrate ofdistrict

The State Government of

The.....of.....20.....

(Signature)

Secretary / Joint Secretary

to the Government of India

Ministry of Home Affairs

or

Signature and designation of the officer specially empowered to sign the licence under Rule 5

(SEAL)

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

Conditions

1. (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
(b) This licence entitles the licensee to set-up the industrial unit for manufacture or proof-test of firearms or ammunition as specified in column 3 and 5 respectively.
2. The licensee shall be required to construct the factory premises, set-up plant & machinery within the validity period of the licence.
3. The licensee is permitted to conduct trial runs and develop proto-types within the validity period of licence.
4. The licensee should preferably be self sufficient in areas of product design and development and should have maintenance and life cycle support facility of the product to be manufactured or proof-tested.
5. The standards and testing procedures for firearms and ammunition to be produced under licence from foreign collaborators or from indigenous research & development shall be provided by the licensee to the Government nominated Quality Assurance Agency, which will inspect the finished product in the trial run and conduct surveillance and audit of the Quality Assurance Procedures before the licensee applies for licence for commencement of commercial production.
6. The licensee shall fully comply with the security conditions contained in the extant Security Manual prepared by the department of defence production, Ministry of Defence before applying for a licence for commencement of commercial production for manufacture of firearms and ammunition.

FORM VII (Part-II)

Licence for Commencement of Commercial Production for

Manufacture ☐ Proof Test ☐ Manufacture & Proof Test ☐

of

Firearms/Ammunition

U.I.N. _____ **Licence Number** _____

Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of Fire Arms allowed to be manufactured, to be sold or kept for sale		Description of Ammunition allowed to be manufactured, to be sold or kept for sale		Categories of Arms allowed to be proof- tested	Name of Range or other place where allowed to test	Date on which the licence expires
	Category	Annual production (Number)	Category	Annual production (Number or Weight in Kgs.)			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

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Ministry of Home Affairs

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Signature and designation of the

officer specially empowered to

sign the licence under Rule 5

(SEAL)

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE

Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of the renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

Conditions

7.
 - (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
 - (c) This licence entitles the licensee to take any arms or ammunition for testing to an accredited shooting range with prior permission of the licensing authority.
 - (d) This licence is valid only so long as the licensee carries on the manufacture and/or proof-test in the premises shown in column 1 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
 - (e) The licensee shall not enter into any partnership connected with this licence without the approval of the licensing authority.
2. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms manufactured or proof-tested, of all ammunition manufactured, or transferred, of all stock in hand, and of all sales, showing the particulars in such forms as prescribed in the rules. Further, the licensee shall carry on the work of proof testing and stamp proof-marks on the firearms, which are proved, in accordance with the arms rules.
3. The licensee shall make available for inspection his stock and his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
4. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business and factory a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English / Hindi and in the language of the district his name and the words "Licensed to manufacture and/or proof test Fire Arms and Ammunition".
5. The licensee shall not manufacture firearms and ammunition of any category or description other than those allowed to be manufactured under column 2 and 4; nor expand his business, except with the prior permission of the Central Government and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by the Central Government.
6. The licensee shall not sell to anyone any firearm manufactured by him unless such firearm -
 - (a) is duly proof-tested at a Government establishment or an establishment approved in this behalf by the Central Government or in case of a composite licence proof-tested in house;

- (b) bears proof-mark; and
 - (c) bears identification marks required by rule 57.
7. The licensee shall not sell fire-arms or ammunition elsewhere than at the place of business or factory specified in column 1.
8. The licensee shall at the time of sale or transfer of a firearm enter in his register the manufacturer's serial number and other identification marks, if any, stamped on the fire-arm at the time of manufacture or otherwise.
9. The licensee shall give information of all sales or transfers of arms and ammunition, to such persons and in such manner as the Central Government may direct.
10. The licensee shall not sell or transfer any quantity of ammunition to any person licensed to possess or carry arms or ammunition without his first obtaining a written certificate from such person to the effect that, with the quantity of ammunition proposed to be purchased by him, the total quantity in his possession will not exceed the maximum quantity which he is entitled to possess at any one time or his total allowance for the year:
- Provided that he shall not, in any case, sell or transfer to any person any quantity of ammunition in excess of the maximum which may be fixed by the Central Government for such person or which is endorsed on such person's licence.
11. The licensee shall, at the time of sale or transfer of any arms or ammunition to a person holding a licence in Form III, Form IV or Form V endorse on the licence -
- (a) the name, description and residence of the person who takes delivery of the articles sold or transferred,
 - (b) the nature and quantity of the articles sold or transferred, and
 - (c) the date of sale or transfer;
- and shall sign the endorsement (and affix his seal).
12. The licensee shall not sell firearms and ammunition to an officer, non-commissioned officer or soldier of the armed forces of the Union, unless such person produces a written pass or permit signed by his Commanding Officer, and then only to the extent and on the conditions specified in such pass or permit.

Conditions related to Inventory Management System as per rule 54(5)

1.1 Separation of powers

Checks and balances should be put in place to ensure that personnel involved in the management of manufacturing of arms and ammunition facility do not simultaneously hold responsibilities that would make it easier for them to steal or otherwise divert weapons while hiding their malfeasance from view.

For example, -

- a) the same personnel should not be responsible simultaneously for conducting storekeeping, accounting and auditing functions;
- b) personnel responsible for physically verifying the transfer of weapons should not be responsible for compiling the physical records of the weapon transfers;
- c) Personnel responsible for weapons accounting should not participate in stock checks without the direct supervision of storage personnel;
- d) Regular external audits of weapons stocks should be carried out by independent bodies.

1.2 Weapons Account

An account shall be maintained at each manufacturing facility that records the following information for each weapon in storage:

- a) make;
- b) model;
- c) caliber;
- d) serial number;
- g) date entered into finished stock;
- h) date transferred/Sold/Exported;
- i) record of modifications and/or repairs; and
- j) overall quantity of weapons, disaggregated by type.

The weapons account should be in electronic form and shall be 'backed up'. Backups should be in both electronic and hard copy, but may be only in hard copy. In addition daily uploading of data on NDAL for the previous day transactions is mandatory. Whatever form the backups take, they shall be stored separately from the original and from each other in order to prevent the loss of all data in the event of theft, fire, etc. at the weapons accounting office. Weapons accounts should be kept indefinitely but shall be kept for a minimum of 10 years following sale, transfer, destruction or demilitarization of weapons.

1.3 Issue of weapons

Only authorized officials shall remove firearms and ammunition from manufacturing unit's storage areas. A system to positively identify and authenticate persons authorized to remove weapons from storage areas shall be developed and implemented.

Such a system should include a register or log, which can be easily cross-referenced with the weapons account that records at least the following information:

- a) name and signature of individual removing weapon(s);
- b) date and time of issue and return of weapon(s);
- c) make, model and serial number of weapon(s) removed and returned; and
- d) purpose of removal of weapon(s).

1.4 Stock checks

The contents of weapons stocks shall be verified on a regular basis against the weapons account, specifically, -

- a) a physical stock check by quantity and type of weapons should be conducted –
 - every day in the case of smaller volume manufacturing unit;
 - every week in the case of larger volume manufacturing unit.
- b) a physical stock check by serial number should be conducted on at least 10% of the weapons in stock –
 - every week in the case of smaller volume manufacturing unit, and
 - every month in the case of larger volume manufacturing unit
- c) a 100% physical stock check by quantity, type and serial number should be conducted –
 - every 6 months, regardless of the quantity of weapons in storage, and
 - whenever the custody of keys is permanently transferred between an in-coming and outgoing key custodian.

1.5 Reporting of losses and investigations

Any suspected loss or theft of a weapon shall immediately be reported to the appropriate authority, which should immediately instigate an independent investigation by an individual or organization unconnected with the weapons management system.

An investigation report should be compiled, including the following information:

- a) identity of the weapon, including its
 - 1) make,
 - 2) model,
 - 3) caliber,
 - 4) serial number
- b) date, location and unit involved;
- c) summary of circumstances of loss;
- d) explanation of loss (e.g. negligence, theft, etc.);
- e) disciplinary and/or criminal action taken;
- f) recommendations to prevent a reoccurrence;
- g) date and location of recovery of the weapon(s) (if applicable);
- h) summary of circumstances of recovery (if applicable)

The identity of lost or stolen weapons, as set out in (a) above, shall be recorded and retained for at least 20 years in NDAL in order to facilitate their timely identification upon recovery.

When processing inventory adjustments, no weapon loss shall be attributed to an accounting or inventory discrepancy unless an investigation has determined that the loss was not a result of theft.

1.6 Determination of surplus stocks

It is the prerogative of the manufacturing units to review the types and numbers of firearms with a view to determining the types and numbers of weapons that have become surplus to national/international requirements.

Surplus stocks are understood as functioning firearms (including their parts, components and ammunition) that are no longer required by the armed services of the State in order to ensure internal and external security nor could be exported to legitimate buyers. Weapons determined to be surplus should be -

- a) officially declared as surplus;
- b) recorded as surplus in the weapons account;
- c) taken out of service;
- d) stored separately; and
- e) destroyed in accordance with the guidelines

FORM VII (A)

Licence to manufacture, sale, transfer, keeping for sale, transfer Arms & Ammunition of Category V

U.I.N.	Licence Number	Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of Arms allowed to be manufactured (category V only)		Date on which the licence expires
			Category of Arms	Annual production (Number)	
1	2	3	4	5	6

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____ or
Specially empowered officer to
sign the licence under rule (5)

Designation _____

Place _____

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of the renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

CONDITIONS

1.
 - (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
 - (b) This licence is valid only so long as the licensee carries on the trade or business in the premises shown in column 3 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
 - (c) The licensee shall not enter into any partnership connected with this licence without the approval of the licensing authority.
2. The licensee shall not sell or transfer any arms of category V to a person residing in an area to which section 4 applies, unless the said person produces a licence, or is exempted from the obligation to take out a licence, to acquire, possess or carry such arms in that area.
3. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms and ammunition manufactured, or transferred, of all stock in hand, and of all sales, showing the particulars in such forms as may be prescribed for the purpose by the Central Government under rule 78.
4. The licensee shall make available for inspection his stock and his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
5. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business, factory or shop a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English / Hindi and in the language of the district his name and the words "Licensed to manufacture /transfer / sell arms or ammunition of Category V".
6. The licensee shall not manufacture arms of any category or description other than those allowed to be manufactured under column 4.

Form VIII

Composite Licence Form for Arms & Ammunition Dealers

Dealer Licence

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Deposit of Arms

☐

Serial No. of Licence _____ **U.I.N.** _____

Date and year on which the licence expires ____/____/____

Name, description and business address of the licensee	Description and number of arms		Description and quantity of ammunition		Name of the accredited shooting range where allowed to test
	To be sold or kept for sale etc.	To be deposited for safe custody or under section 21	To be sold or kept for sale etc.	To be deposited for safe custody or under section 21	
1	3	4	5	6	7

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____ or

Specially empowered officer to sign the licence under rule (5)

Designation _____

Place _____

FORM FOR RENEWAL OF THE LICENCE

Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature, designation of the renewing authority or specially empowered officer	SEAL

CONDITIONS

1. (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015;
- (b) This licence entitles the dealer to take any arms or ammunition for testing or firing for demonstration to an accredited shooting range only after obtaining prior permission of the licensing authority;
- (c) This licence is valid only so long as he carries on the trade or business at the premises shown in column 1 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
2. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms and ammunition in stock and deposit; and of all sales showing the particulars in such manner and forms as laid down in the rule 68.
3. The licensee shall make available for inspection his stock and his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
4. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business or shop, a signboard, on which shall be painted in large letters in English/Hindi and in the local language his name and the words "Licensed to repair/test (other than proof-test)/sell/transfer arms and ammunition as per the category of the licence granted".
5. The licensee shall not sell the arms or ammunition covered by the licence, elsewhere than at the place of business specified in column 1.
6. The licensee shall at the time of sale or transfer of any arms or ammunition to a person holding a licence in Form II, Form III, Form IV and Form V endorse on the licence-
 - (a) the name, description and residence of the person who takes delivery of the articles sold or transferred;
 - (b) the nature and quantity of the articles sold or transferred; and
 - (c) the date of sale or transfer; andshall sign the endorsement and affix his seal.
7. The licensee shall at the time of sale or transfer of a weapon enter in his register, the manufacturer's serial number and other identification marks, if any, stamped on the weapon at the time of manufacture or otherwise.

8. The licensee shall give information of all sales or transfers of arms and ammunition, to such person and in such manner as the Central Government may direct.
9. The licensee shall not sell or transfer ammunition to any person, licensed to possess or carry arms, without his first obtaining a written certificate from such person to the effect that, with the quantity of ammunition proposed to be acquired by him, the total quantity of ammunition in his possession shall not exceed the maximum quantity which he is entitled to possess at any one time or his total allowance for the year:

Provided that he shall not in any case sell or transfer to any person any quantity of ammunition in excess of the maximum which may be fixed by the Central Government for such person or which is endorsed on such person's licence.
10. Subject to the other conditions contained herein, no licensee shall, without reasonable cause, refuse to sell arms or ammunition to any person who is entitled to purchase or acquire such arms or ammunition under the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 or the Arms Rules, 2015.
11. During any period when the licensed premises are closed for business purposes, all firearms and ammunition, which are on the premises, must be locked in a strong room or safe, for safe custody of firearms.
12. During any period when the licensed premises are open for business or any other purpose, firearms and ammunition which are not displayed must be locked in a strong room or safe for safe custody of firearms.
13. The licensee may display firearms or ammunition during the business hours, however displayed firearms must be unloaded and in the case of handguns, locked in a display counter or cabinet that prevents the unauthorized access to the handguns displayed therein and in the case of other firearms excluding handguns, must be rendered inoperable by means of a secure locking device or securely attached with a metal attachment to a non-portable structure in such a manner that it cannot readily be removed. Further the firearm shall not be displayed with ammunition that can be discharged from it.
14. The dealer may not at any time display or exhibit any firearms, and ammunition in any showcase or show-window which directly goes out on or overlooks any public street, road, thoroughway or public place where to the general public has access, or permit it to be displayed or exhibited or cause it to be so displayed or exhibited.
15. The dealer and all persons employed by the dealer must be conversant with the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and the Arms Rules, 2015 and shall undergo the prescribed training for weapon

handling and safe storage as mentioned in rule 10 and will ensure that –

- i) during business hours proper control is, at all times, exercised over all the firearms and ammunition;
- ii) the prescribed registers are properly maintained;
- iii) every reasonable precaution is taken against the loss or theft of the firearms and ammunition.

Conditions applicable on arms and ammunition kept for safe custody and under section 21

- 16. It covers only arms or ammunition of the description given in column 4 and 6 so long as they are kept in place described in column 1, but does not authorize the licensee to carry arms.
- 17. The licensee shall maintain separate registers of all arms or ammunition deposited with him under this licence –
 - (i) under Section 21(1), and
 - (ii) for safe custody otherwise than under Section 21(1),showing particulars in such forms and manner as laid down in the rules.
- 20. The licensee shall not receive for deposit arms or ammunition without verifying-
 - (a) that they are not being deposited with any *mala fide* intention; and
 - (b) in case they are being deposited otherwise than under Section 21(1), that they are covered by a valid licence issued under these rules.
- 21. On the expiry of the period prescribed for forfeiture of the arms or ammunition deposited, the licensee shall deposit them in the malkhana of the district or such other place as may be specified by the State Government for the purpose.

Form IX

Licence to Gun Smiths to Convert, Shorten, Repair (major) or Test (other than proof-test) or keeping for Conversion, Repair (major) or Test (other than proof test) of firearms

U.I.N. _____ Licence Number _____

Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of firearms allowed to be converted, shortened, repaired (major), tested (other than proof-test) or to be kept for conversion, shortening, repair (major) or test (other than proof-test)		Description of Ammunition allowed to be possessed for testing the firearms repaired And Description of Ammunition allowed to be converted		Date on which the licence expires
	Category	Quantity (Number)	Category	Quantity (Number or Weight in Kgs.)	
1	2	3	4	5	6

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____ or
Specially empowered officer to
sign the licence under rule (5)

Designation _____

Place _____

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of the renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

CONDITIONS

1.
 - (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
 - (b) This licence is valid only so long as the licensee carries on the trade or business in the premises shown in column 1 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
 - (c) The licensee shall not enter into any partnership connected with this licence without the approval of the licensing authority.
2. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms and ammunition converted or shortened or repaired (major) showing the particulars in such forms as prescribed under the Arms Rules.
3. The licensee shall make available for inspection his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
4. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business, factory or shop a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English / Hindi and in the language of the district his name and the words "Licensed to convert/shorten and repair (major) arms and ammunition".
5. The licensee shall not convert, shorten or repair (major) arms and/or ammunition of any category or description other than those allowed under column 2 & 4.
6. The licensee shall not convert/shorten/repair (major) arms or ammunition elsewhere than at the place of business or factory specified in column 1.
7. This licence entitles the licensee to fabricate components and parts of firearms for the purpose of repair of firearms of the categories shown in column 2, but does not entitle him to manufacture such components or parts for the purpose of or utilized for assembling into complete arms or ammunition. Conversion of arms of restricted category [Category I(b) and I(c)] and of obsolete caliber weapons, which have gone out of production or for which no ammunition is readily available, into permissible category arms is allowed under this licence subject to the prior permission of the licensing authority. Replacement of barrels of weapons falling under major repair is also permissible subject to condition 8.

8. The licensee shall not shorten the barrel of any firearm to less than 20" in any case.
9. This licence does not entitle the licensee to convert blank cartridges or any ammunition having no projectile into single/multiple projectile ammunition or to load or re-load any ammunition.
10. During any period when the licensed premises are closed for business purposes, all firearms and ammunition, which are on the premises, must be locked in a strong room or safe for safe custody of firearms.
11. During any period when the licensed premises are open for business or any other purpose, firearms and ammunition which are not displayed must be locked in a strong room or safe for safe custody of firearms.
12. The licensee may display firearms on which he has performed work in accordance with the provisions of arms rules, in order to promote his craftsmanship, however displayed firearms must be unloaded and in the case of handguns, locked in a display counter or cabinet that prevents the unauthorized access to the handguns displayed therein.
13. The licensee may only deactivate a firearm with the prior consent of the licensing authority.
14. The licensee is allowed to employ a person as an apprentice if such person is registered for such an apprenticeship under the labour laws applicable in India and must exercise personal control or supervision over such apprentice who performs any work on a firearm.
15. The licensee shall ensure the establishment of the approved safe or strong-room before commencement of business under the licence granted to him.

Form IX-A

Licence to Gun Smiths to repair (minor) or test (other than proof-test) or keeping for repair (minor) or test (other than proof test) of firearms

U.I.N. _____ Licence Number _____

Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of firearms allowed to be repaired (minor) or to test (other than proof test) or keeping for repair (minor) or test (other than proof test)		Description of Ammunition allowed to be possessed for testing the firearms repaired (minor)		Date on which the licence expires
	Category	Quantity (Number)	Category	Quantity (Number or Weight in Kgs.)	
1	2	3	4	5	8

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____ or
Specially empowered officer to
sign the licence under rule (5)

Designation _____

Place _____

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of the renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

CONDITIONS

1.
 - (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
 - (b) This licence is valid only so long as the licensee carries on the trade or business in the premises shown in column 1 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
 - (c) The licensee shall not enter into any partnership connected with this licence without the approval of the licensing authority.
2. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms and ammunition repaired (minor) showing the particulars in such forms as prescribed under the Arms Rules.
3. The licensee shall make available for inspection his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
4. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business, factory or shop a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English / Hindi and in the language of the district his name and the words "Licensed to convert/shorten and repair (minor) arms and ammunition".
5. The licensee shall not shorten the barrel of any firearm to less than 20" in any case.
6. During any period when the licensed premises are closed for business purposes, all firearms and ammunition, which are on the premises, must be locked in a strong room or safe for safe custody of firearms.
7. During any period when the licensed premises are open for business or any other purpose, firearms and ammunition which are not displayed must be locked in a strong room or safe for safe custody of firearms.
8. The licensee may display firearms on which he has performed work in accordance with the provisions of arms rules, in order to promote his craftsmanship, however displayed firearms must be unloaded and in the case of handguns, locked in a display counter or cabinet that prevents the unauthorized access to the handguns displayed therein.

9. The licensee is allowed to employ a person as an apprentice if such person is registered for such an apprenticeship under the labour laws applicable in India and must exercise personal control or supervision over such apprentice who performs any work on a firearm.
10. The licensee shall ensure the establishment of the approved safe or strong-room before commencement of business under the licence granted to him.

Form X

COMPOSITE IMPORT/EXPORT LICENCE FOR ARMS & AMMUNITION

Import ☐ Export ☐ Export for Re-Import ☐ In Transit ☐

<i>Category of Item as per Schedule I - III, IV, V, VI (please specify) _____</i>			
Licence No.		U.I.N.	
Port of Import		Port of Export	

1.	Name, description and address of the licensee	
2.	Name, description & address of Agent (if any) authorized for the purpose of this consignment	
3.	Number of Packages	
4.	ARMS	
	Description	
	Quantity	
5.	AMMUNITION	
	Description	
	Weight (in Kgs) or Number	
6.	Purpose for which required	
7.	In case of Import, place where articles imported are to be stored or deposited	
8.	Place of despatch and route	
9	Place of destination	
10.	Name, description & address of the consignee	
11.	Period of validity of Licence	

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____

Designation _____

Place _____

CONDITIONS

1. The licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. An Account of the contents of each package shall be legibly written thereon and where the articles are conveyed by rail, each package shall be marked with the word “Arms” or “Ammunition”, as the case may be, so as to be readily recognizable by the railway authorities.
3. The articles shall not be conveyed by any route other than that specified in column 8 and bulk shall not be broken nor shall the consignment be stopped, before the articles reach the place of destination.
4. In case of Import, the articles shall be either –
 - (a) deposited subject to the general or special sanction of the Central Government under section 34 of the Arms Act, 1959, in a warehouse licensed under section 58 of the Customs Act, 1962, or
 - (b) forthwith dispatched to their place of destination.
5. The articles shall be delivered only to a person lawfully entitled to receive them.

Form XI

Journey Licence

(to be issued if weapons are already endorsed on the licence)

U.I.N. _____ **Licence No.** _____

1.	Name of the licensee	
2.	Residential Address of the licensee as endorsed on his arms licence	
3.	Arms and Ammunition that the licensee is entitled to carry	
4.	Brief description of each weapon with details, e.g. Manufacturer's Serial Number and other identification marks	
5.	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition	
6.	Place of departure	
7.	Route of the Journey	
8.	Place of destination	
9.	Period which the journey is likely to occupy	
10.	Period for which the Journey Licence is valid	

The of the

SEAL

(Signature)

Licensing Authority

Designation

Place

CONDITIONS

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. The licensee shall-
 - (a) on demand by any authorized officer, produce the weapons covered by this licence;
 - (b) forthwith give information at the nearest police station of the loss or theft of any arms or ammunition covered by the licence;
and
 - (c) shall follow the route of journey as mentioned in column 7 of the licence.
- 3 It covers only the person named in column 1 and the arms or ammunition mentioned in column 3.

Form XII

Transport Licence

*(to be issued when weapons are not endorsed on the licence
or for transport by manufacturers or dealers)*

U.I.N. _____ **Licence No.** _____

1.	Name, description and residence address of licensee and agent (if any) authorized for the purpose of this consignment	
2.	Licensee's place of business (if any)	
3.	Arms and Ammunition to be transported	
	Number of Packages	
	Brief description of arms and number	
	Brief description of ammunition and weight in kilograms or number	
4.	Place of dispatch	
5.	Route of transport	
6.	Mode of transport	
7.	Place of destination	
8.	Name, description and address of consignee	
9.	Period for which the Licence is valid	

The of the

SEAL

(Signature)

Licensing Authority

Designation

Place

Endorsement 1

Date on which certificate of 'No Objection' (NOC) is obtained vide Rule 92 from		
Authority	Place	Date
Commissioner of Police		
Government of the State		
District Magistrate		

Endorsement 2

Date on which a copy of Transport Licence is sent vide Rule 88(1) to		
Authority	Place	Date
Commissioner of Police		
Government of the State		
District Magistrate		

CONDITIONS

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. The licensee shall-
 - (a) on demand by any authorized officer, produce the weapons covered by this licence; and
 - (b) forthwith give information at the nearest police station of the loss or theft of any arms or ammunition covered by the licence.
3. The articles shall not be conveyed by any route other than that specified in column 5; and bulk shall not be broken, nor shall the consignment be stopped before the articles reach the place of destination:

Provided that where the consignment is ready but could not be despatched in one bulk, for reasons beyond the control of the licensee, the articles may be sent in lots provided proper intimation is sent to the licensing authority who may extend the time-limit, if necessary.

4. An account of the contents of each package shall be legibly written thereon; and where the articles are conveyed by rail, each package shall be marked with the word “Arms” or “Ammunition”, as the case may be, so as to be readily recognizable by the railway authorities.
5. The articles shall be delivered only to a person lawfully entitled to receive them as mentioned in column 8.
6. Where a licence granted for industrial purposes has been made valid for a period longer than the normal period of twice the time taken in journey from godown to factory, necessary entries shall promptly be made in the stock-registers maintained by the manufacturer or the dealer for the purpose at the places, (viz., godown and factory).

Form XIII
Transport Licence for despatch of Gun Barrels/Completed
Firearms for Proof Test

U.I.N. _____ **Licence No.** _____

1.	Name of the Licensee Manufacturer			
2.	Address of the Licensee Manufacturer			
3.	Name and designation of the responsible person			
4.	Manufacturer's Licence No. in Form VII			
5.	Validity Period of Licence in Form VII			
6.	Number of Weapons allowed to be manufactured per annum			
7.	Total number of gun barrels/completed firearms which have been despatched already to proof house for proof test for the first time			
8.	Total quantity of gun barrels/completed firearms to be allowed to be despatched			
Sr. No.	Type	Manufactured during the current year	Rectified	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
a)				
b)				
c)				
Total				
9.	Total quantity of gun barrels/manufactured firearms to be despatched after rectification (Column 3 of item 8)			
Sr. No.	Year of Manufacture	Number and date of communication of proof house advising rectification	Rectified	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

1. Certified that on the date of issue of this licence, the licensee has not been restrained from operation of any of the authorizations in his Form VII licence, by the Licensing Authority or the Renewing Authority or the District Magistrate/Commissioner of Police.
2. The licensee is hereby permitted to transport gun barrels/completed firearms vide item 8 to the establishment indicated in Col. 7 of his Form VII licence. He is also permitted to bring back from that establishment the gun barrels/completed firearms covered by this licence after proof test in one or more installments.

(Seal and Signature)
(District Magistrate/Commissioner of Police)

Place:

Date:

Note- The total of figures in item 5 and Col. 2 in item 8 should not exceed the quota vide item 6.

Form XIV

Transporter's Licence for transport of arms and ammunition

U.I.N. _____ **Licence No.** _____

Name, description and business address of licensee	Description of Arms and Ammunition allowed to be transported				Date on which the licence expires
	Category of Arms and Ammunition	Maximum quantity during a calendar year	Maximum quantity in a single consignment	Maximum quantity in multiple consignments under a single shipment	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)

The of..... 20 (SEAL)

(Signature)

Licensing Authority _____ or
Specially empowered officer to
sign the licence under rule (5)

Designation _____

Place _____

FORM OF RENEWAL OF LICENCE			
Date and year of renewal	Date on which the renewed licence expires	Signature and designation of the renewing authority	SEAL
1	2	3	4

CONDITIONS

1.
 - (a) This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
 - (b) This licence is valid only so long as the licensee carries on the trade or business in the premises shown in column 1 thereof, and will *ipso facto* lapse if the business is discontinued for a continuous period exceeding six months.
 - (c) The licensee shall not enter into any partnership connected with this licence without the approval of the licensing authority.
2. The licensee shall maintain registers of all arms and ammunition received for transportation, of all stock in hand, and of all transportations made showing the particulars in such forms as may be prescribed for the purpose by the Central Government.
3. The licensee shall make available for inspection his stock and his registers on the demand of any magistrate or any police officer of a rank not below that of Inspector, or, if the Central Government so directs, of Sub-Inspector.
4. The licensee shall affix on a conspicuous part of his place of business, factory or shop a signboard on which shall be painted in large letters in English/Hindi and in the language of the district his name and the words "Licensed to transport arms or ammunition".
6. The licensee shall not transport arms and/or ammunition of any category or description other than those allowed to be transported under column 2.
7. The licensee shall not keep arms or ammunition elsewhere than at the place of business specified in column 1 or at the branch offices and representative offices of the transporter declared at the time of making application for a licence in Form XIV.
8. He shall not transport any quantity of arms and ammunition without first obtaining a copy of the transport licence in Form XII from the consignor and ascertaining the purpose for such transportation on the basis of a written declaration and shall not handover the consignment to any consignee without first obtaining copy of arms licence from him and proof of his bonafides to receive the consignment under the Arms Act 1959 and Arms Rules, 2015.
9. The transporter shall submit the following documents to the licensing authority –

- (a) proof that a proper functioning two way communication system between the vehicle transporting the arms or ammunition and the applicant is in operation;
 - (b) a detailed description of the safety measures fitted to the vehicle that will be used; and
 - (c) a detailed description of security precautions that will be in place during transportation
10. The licensee transporter making use of road transport must provide to the person in charge of every transportation, a typed list or computer printout on his letterhead of personnel employed by the transporter who will be directly involved in the transportation of the consignment of the arms and ammunition, which will contain the full names and identity numbers of the employees concerned. The list must be attached to a certified copy of the licence in Form XIV and this documentation must during the transportation be in possession of the person directly in charge of the transportation and will serve as an authority to the personnel of the transporter named in the list to receive, transport, store and deliver the specified consignment of arms and ammunition.
11. An arms or ammunition transporter holding a licence in Form XIV must during the time of such transport be in possession of –
a consignment note on which the following particulars must appear:
- (i) (a) the full name, address, licence and UIN of the transporter;
 - (b) the names, addresses and UINs of the consignor and the consignee in respect of arms and ammunition to be transported;
 - (c) the quantity, type of action, manufacturer's serial number, make and caliber of the firearms and quantity, make and caliber of ammunition; and
 - (d) the physical address where from the firearms and ammunition were collected and the physical address of their final destination;
 - (ii) the licence in Form XII authorizing the transportation of such firearms and ammunition;
 - (iii) any other document which may under these rules or any other law be required.
12. Wherein the licensee holding a licence in Form XIV is obliged to store the firearms or ammunition for any period of time after receipt and before delivery, such storage must comply with the requirements for safe custody and storage as laid down under rule 10.

- 13 The licensee must ensure direct supervision by him or through his personnel of an en route consignment of arms or ammunition which shall be accompanied by at least two able bodied guards.
- 14 The firearm transporter must obtain from the consignee a written confirmation of the taking of possession of the consignment of arms and ammunition and the confirmation must contain the following information –
- (i) the name and surname of the recipient;
 - (ii) the recipient's address;
 - (iii) the date and time of delivery;
 - (iv) the description of the arms and ammunition received; and
 - (v) the signature of the recipient which serves as confirmation of the correct deliverance.
- A copy of the written confirmation obtained above must be delivered by the transporter to the licensing authority issuing transport licence in Form XII.
- 15 The licensee holding a licence in Form XIV shall immediately notify in writing the police and licensing authority in the event of non-delivery, loss or theft of the arms or ammunition.
- 16 The vehicle carrying arms and ammunition shall not stop for a longer period than is reasonably required and shall avoid stops at places where public safety is likely to be in danger. Further the vehicle carrying arms and ammunition shall be adequately secured and provided with fire extinguishers at the expense of the licensee holding a licence in Form XIV.

FORM XV

Licence for the import into, possession for the duration of the journey in, transport across, and export out of India of arms or ammunition carried by Nepal Government troops or police, from one place in Nepal to another place in Nepal through Indian Territory

U.I.N. _____ Licence Number _____

Description of licensee/ agent(s)	Number of retainers	Arms and ammunition that licensee is entitled to import/possess / transport/export		Place of entry in India	District (s) through which the arms or ammunition shall pass	Place of departure from India	Period for which the licence is valid
		Brief description of the arms	Quantity and description of each kind of ammunition				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

From the

To the

The.....of.....20

Date on which copy is sent to the District Magistrate
ofDistrict [vide Rule 101(2)]

The.....of.....20

(SEAL)

(Signature)

Ambassador of India in Nepal

CONDITIONS

1. This licence is granted subject to all the provisions of the Arms Act, 1959 and of the Arms Rules, 2015.
2. It covers only the person named, and the arms or ammunition described therein.
3. The licensee shall not, while in India, sell or transfer any arms or ammunition covered by this licence.

SCHEDULE-III**FORM A -1
For Individuals**

Passport size
photograph of the
applicant

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form II, III and IV
(See Rule 11)

IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT			
1	Name		
2	Parent/Spouse Name		
3	Sex	Male <input type="checkbox"/>	Female <input type="checkbox"/>
4	Place of birth (Nativity)	Country	State District
5	Date of birth in Christian era	<i>Must be 21 years of Age on the date of application</i>	
	in figures	DD/MM/YYYY	
	in words		
6	Permanent Account No. (PAN)		
7	Aadhar Card Number		
8	Present Address		
		District	State
(a)	Since when residing at the present address	DD/MM/YYYY	
(b)	Telephone Number	Office	Residence
(c)	Mobile Number		
(d)	*Nearest Police Station		
9	Permanent Address		
		District	State
(a)	*Nearest Police Station		
10	Occupation		
11	Office/Business Address		
12	Additional particulars if the licence is required for crop protection under rule 34	Location (village)	
		Area of land under cultivation	

*Note – Nearest Police Station means the police station under whose jurisdiction the place given in the address comes

OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT				
13	Whether the applicant has been –			
(a)	convicted	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Offence Sentence Date of sentence DD/MM/YYYY
(b)	ordered to execute a bond under Chapter VIII of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) for keeping the peace or for good behavior	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Date DD/MM/YYYY Period for which bound
(c)	prohibited under the Arms Act, 1959, or any other law from having the arms or ammunition	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Date DD/MM/YYYY Period for which prohibited
14	Whether -			
(a)	the applicant applied for a licence before - if so, when, to whom and with what result	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Date applied for DD/MM/YYYY Name of the licensing authority Result (pl. specify) Approved//Rejected/Pending
(b)	the applicant's licence was ever suspended or cancelled/revoked -	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Name of the licensing authority Reasons
(c)	any other member of the applicant's family is in possession of any arms licence, if so, particulars thereof	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Name Licence No. Weapons endorsed 1. 2. 3.
(d)	the applicant has a safe place to keep the arms and ammunition and has undergone prescribed training as specified under rule 10	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u>

(e)	the family members of the applicant are aware of his application for an arms licence and have expressed their consent for the same	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i>
Particulars of Licence being applied for				
15	Need for licence (<i>see note 1 below</i>)			
16 (a)	Description of Arms for which licence is being sought (<i>Tick any one of the options</i>)	Category - Restricted/Permissible Rifle <input type="checkbox"/> Shot Gun (BL/ML) <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Gun (Revolver/Pistol) <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____ <input type="checkbox"/>		
(b)	Description of ammunition or ingredients of ammunition for which licence is being sought			
17	Area within which applicant wishes to carry arms (<i>Tick any one of the options</i>)	District <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Throughout India <input type="checkbox"/>		
18	Claims for special consideration for obtaining the licence, if any (<i>attach documentary evidence</i>)			
Additional Information				
19	Details for an application for licence in Form IV			
(a)	Place or area for which the licence is sought			
(b)	Specification of the wild beasts which are permitted to be destroyed as per the permit granted under the Wild life (Protection) Act, 1972 to the applicant			

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Place _____

Date _____

Signature /Thumb - impression of applicant

Notes:

1. Against column 15, the applicant should clearly mention the purpose(s) for which the licence is required – such as use, acquisition, possession, carrying, sport, display, destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops etc. as per the category of licence applied (Form II, III or IV).
2. The following documents as per rule 11 (e) are to be submitted along with the application –
 - a) four passport size copies of the latest photograph of the applicant;
 - b) proof of date of birth;
 - c) identification proof – Aadhar Card;
 - d) residence proof (*Passport, Aadhar Card or Election Card or Electricity Bill or Landline Telephone Bill or Rent Deed or Lease Deed or Property documents or any other document to the satisfaction of the licensing authority*);
 - e) safe use and storage of firearms certificate as mentioned in rule 10;
 - f) self attested copies of the educational and professional qualification certificates, if applicable;
 - g) references in writing of two persons of good social standing recommending the applicant for grant of licence;
 - h) medical certificates about mental health and physical fitness in the format appended hereto;
 - i) incase of protection for destruction of wild animals which do injury to human beings or cattle and damage to crops, the particulars contained in clause c (i) and permit from the authority empowered under the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972 ;
3. Strike off the entries not relevant.

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Appendix:**Format of Medical Certificate**

(On the letter head of the medical practitioner)

This is to certify that I have carefully examined the person whose particulars are furnished below –

1	Name of the person examined	
2	Father's Name/Spouse Name	
3	Residential Address	
4	Age and Date of Birth	
5	Height	
6	Weight (in Kgs)	
7	Blood Pressure (please specify)	
8	Deformity, if any (particularly in upper limbs)	
9	Any other observation	

On the basis of examination, it is certified that the person examined as mentioned in column 1 above –

1. is in good physical health and is free from any physical deformity.
2. has been found to be of stable mental condition and is not inclined to violence.
3. has been found not dependent on any substance which has an intoxicating or narcotic effect.

Signature of the person examined *named in column (1)* _____

Signature of the medical practitioner _____

Registration Number _____

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FORM A -2

For Companies

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form II, III and V

(See Rule 11)

IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT		
1.	Name of the Applicant Company	
2.	Name of the Applicant branch or representative office of the company <i>(if the application is being filed by such branch or representative office)</i>	
3.	Constitution of the Applicant Company <i>(see Note 1 below)</i>	
4.	Designation of the 'responsible person' who will sign on behalf of the applicant company <i>(duly authorized in writing or by way of a resolution wherein required)</i>	
	Name of the 'responsible person' signing the application	
5.	Registered Office Address of the company	
	Telephone No. (Office)	
	Mobile Number of the responsible person	
	E-mail	
	*Nearest Police Station	
6.	Address of the branch or representative office by which the application is being filed	
	Telephone (Office/Residence)	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
	*Nearest Police Station	

*Note - Nearest Police Station means the police station under whose jurisdiction the place given in the address comes

OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT				
7.	Whether the applicant or its office bearers or directors has/have ever been –			
(a)	convicted <i>(attach details in a separate sheet, if the answer is in affirmative)</i>	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> Offence Sentence Date of sentence DD/MM/YYYY
(c)	prohibited under the Arms Act, 1959, or any other law from having the arms or ammunition	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> Date DD/MM/YYYY Period for which prohibited
8.	Whether -			
(a)	the applicant applied for a licence before - if so, when, to whom and with what result	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> Date applied for DD/MM/YYYY Name of the licensing authority Result (pl. specify) Approved//Rejected/Pending
(b)	the applicant's licence was ever suspended or cancelled or revoked -	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> Name of the licensing authority Reasons
(c)	any other arms licence already held by the company or where the applicant is a branch or representative office of such company, held by such branch or representative office	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> Name Licence No. Weapons endorsed 1. 2. 3.
(d)	the applicant has a safe place to keep the arms and ammunition and has undergone prescribed training as specified in rule 10	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i>

Particulars of Licence being applied for		
9.	Need for licence (see Note 2 below)	
10. (a)	Description of Arms for which licence is being sought (Tick any one of the options)	Category - Restricted/Permissible Rifle <input type="checkbox"/> Shot Gun (BL/ML) <input type="checkbox"/> Hand Gun (Revolver/Pistol) <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/>
(b)	Description of Ammunition or Ingredients of Ammunition for which licence is being sought	
11.	Number of firearms which applicant wishes to apply for	
12.	Area within which applicant wishes to carry arms (Tick any one of the options)	District <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Throughout India <input type="checkbox"/>
13.	Claims for special consideration for obtaining the licence, if any (attach documentary evidence)	

Declaration:

I, _____, the responsible person, _____
(designation as mentioned in column 3) of _____
(name of the company), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I, personally, and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature with stamp of the responsible person
signing on behalf of the company

Note:

1. Constitution of the company be mentioned –

Private Limited Company; Limited Company; Government Undertaking; Society; Co-operative Society; Institute; University; Partnership Firm; Association of Persons (AOPs) or any other body under any special act or otherwise etc.

2. Against column 8, the applicant should clearly mention the purpose(s) for which the licence is required - such as use, acquisition, possession, carrying, protection, display, target practice or shooting, etc.
3. The applicant is required to submit the following documents along with the application –
 - a) written undertaking on the letter head of the company applicant duly signed by the responsible person appointed vide clause (pp) of rule 2 for filing an application under the arms rules;
 - b) original copy of the resolution passed or an authority letter confirming the appointment of responsible person referred to in clause (a) above;
 - c) certified copies of the founding documents of the Company including Memorandum and Articles of Association;
 - d) safe use and storage of firearms certificate as mentioned in rule 10;

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant company or legal entity and the responsible person liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

FORM A -3
For Individuals

Recent
passport size
photograph of
the licensee

**Form of Application for Renewal of Arms Licence(s) granted in
Form II, III, IV**

(See rule 11)

IDENTITY OF THE LICENSEE				
1.	U.I.N. (16 digit)			
2.	Name			
3.	Parent/Spouse Name			
4.	Date of birth in Christian era			
(a)	in figures	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>		
(b)	in words			
5.	Present Address			
(a)	Telephone (Office/Residence)			
(b)	Mobile No.			
(c)	E-mail			
(d)	Nearest Police Station			
6.	Occupation			
7.	Office/Business Address			
Licence Particulars & Weapon Endorsements				
8.	Licence Number			
9.	Date of expiry	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>		
10.	Area Validity			
11.	Weapons Endorsed	Weapon 1	Weapon 2	Weapon 3
(a)	Type (Rifle/Shotgun Handgun (Rev/Pistol)			
(b)	Bore/Caliber			
(c)	Weapon Number			
12.	Ammunition allowed	Cartridges Gun Powder/ Percussion Caps		

OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT				
13.	Whether the applicant since last renewal or issuance of licence has been –			
(a)	convicted	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Offence Sentence Date of sentence DD/MM/YYYY
(b)	ordered to execute a bond under Chapter VIII of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) for keeping the peace or for good behavior	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Date DD/MM/YYYY Period for which bound
(c)	prohibited under the Arms Act, 1959, or any other law from having the arms or ammunition	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Date DD/MM/YYYY Period for which prohibited
14.	Whether -			
(a)	the applicant's licence since last renewal or issuance of licence was ever suspended or cancelled/revoked	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Name of the licensing authority Reasons
(b)	any other member of the applicant's family is in possession of any arms licence, if so, particulars thereof	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u> Name Licence No. Weapons endorsed 1. 2. 3.
(c)	the applicant has a safe place to keep the arms and ammunition	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u>
(d)	the applicant has undergone prescribed training as specified under rule 10 (attach documentary evidence)	Y	N	<u>If yes, details thereof –</u>

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature /Thumb-impression of applicant

Place

Date

Note

The exemptee sports persons shall attach a list of the arms and ammunition held by them in a separate sheet against columns 11 and 12.

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

FORM A - 4**For Companies****Form of Application for renewal of licence(s) granted in
Form II, III and V***(See rule 11)*

IDENTITY OF THE LICENSEE				
1.	U.I.N. (16 digit)			
2.	Name of the licensee company (see Note 1)			
3.	Constitution of the licensee company			
4.	Name of the responsible person			
5.	Address of the licensee company			
	Telephone No. (Office)			
	Mobile Number of the responsible person			
	E-mail			
	*Nearest Police Station			
Licence particulars & weapon endorsements				
6.	Licence Number			
7.	Date of expiry	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>		
8.	Area Validity			
9.	Total Number of Weapons Endorsed			
10.	Details of Weapons	1	2	3
(a)	Type <i>(Rifle/Shot gun/Handgun)</i>			
(b)	Bore			
(c)	Weapon Number			
		<i>Separate list be attached for more than three weapons</i>		
11	Ammunition allowed	Cartridges		
.		Gun Powder/ Percussion Caps		

OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE APPLICANT				
12	Whether the applicant or its office bearers or directors or responsible person since the issuance/last renewal have ever been –			
(a)	convicted <i>(attach details in a separate sheet, if the answer is in affirmative)</i>	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> <i>Offence</i> <i>Sentence</i> <i>Date of sentence DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(c)	prohibited under the Arms Act, 1959, or any other law from having the arms or ammunition	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> <i>Date DD/MM/YYYY</i> <i>Period for which prohibited</i>
13	Whether -			
(a)	the applicant's licence since the issuance or last renewal was ever suspended or cancelled or revoked	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i> <i>Name of the licensing authority</i> <i>Reasons</i>
(b)	the licensee has a safe place to keep the arms and ammunition	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i>
(c)	the retainers appointed by the company have undergone prescribed training requirements as specified in rule 10	Y	N	<i>If yes, details thereof –</i>

Declaration:

I, _____, the responsible person (named in column 4) of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I and the entity are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature with stamp of the responsible person
signing on behalf of the company

Note:

1. Constitution of the company be mentioned –

Private Limited Company; Limited Company; Government undertaking; Society; Co-operative Society; Institute; University; Partnership Firm; Association of Persons (AOPs) or any other body under any special act or otherwise etc.

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant company or legal entity and the responsible person liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

FORM A -5

For Individuals/Teams or Groups

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form VI for Temporary Import & Export of Arms and Ammunition

PART A (see rule 43, 44)		
Application by Individuals – bringing weapons of category III into India		
1.	Name	
2.	Parent/Spouse Name	
3.	Nationality	
4.	Passport Number	
5.	VISA particulars for India	
6.	Date of birth in Christian era	DD/MM/YYYY
7.	Original Arms Licence Number of the native country with validity	DD/MM/YYYY
8.	Present Address (as per Passport)	
	Telephone (Office/Residence)	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
9.	Purpose of bringing weapon into India	
10.	Period of stay in India for which the licence is sought	
11.	Estimated date of Arrival in India and port of entry	DD/MM/YYYY
12.	Estimated date of departure from India and port of exit	DD/MM/YYYY
13.	Weapons for which the licence is being sought	
	Type	
	Bore	
	Weapon Number	
14.	Details of sponsors/ organisers in India for the sporting event/ tournament	

Additional Information in case of sports teams/groups		
1.	Name of the Manager or Group leader	
2.	Parent/Spouse Name	
3.	Nationality	
4.	Passport Number	
5.	VISA particulars for India	
6.	Place of birth	
7.	Date of birth in Christian era	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
8.	Present Address (as per Passport)	
	Telephone (Office/Residence)	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
9.	Number of team members	
10.	Event/Tournament Details	
	Venue	
	Date	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
11.	Period for which the licence is sought	
12.	Organisers/Sponsors in India	

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015 and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force in the Republic of India .

Signature of applicant/ Group or Team Leader

Place

Date

Notes

1. The application may be filed by the Group/Team leader of sporting team visiting India giving details of individual team members as specified in Part A along with the additional details given above.
2. The application may be made in advance to Indian consulates/High Commissions for obtaining a licence on the basis of an approval letter from the Indian organizers/sponsors duly authenticated by Ministry of Sports and Youth Affairs for sporting events/tournaments to be held in India.

PART B <i>(see rule 42)</i>		
<u>Applicable for tourists visiting India –</u> Acquisition and possession (but not use) during the course of his stay in/carrying/ export out of India of category III, IV, V (Made in India weapons only)		
1.	Name	
2.	Parent/Spouse Name	
3.	Nationality	
4.	Passport Number	
5.	VISA details	
6.	Date of birth in Christian era	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
7.	Present Address (as per Passport)	
	Telephone (Office/Residence)	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
8.	Date of Arrival in India and port of entry	
9.	Estimated date of departure from India and port of exit	
10.	Weapons for which the licence is being sought	
	Category (III, IV or V)	
	Type	
	Bore	
11.	Details of seller/transferee from whom these weapons are to be procured	
	Name	
	Address	
	U.I.N.	
	Licence Number	

Note -

1. Weapon(s) on acquisition are to be produced before the licensing authority for necessary endorsement on the licence along with the original invoice/bill/transfer letter.

2. Every application for the grant of a licence for export of category IV arms shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Director-General of Archaeology of the Central Government to the effect that the arms intended to be exported do not fall within the definition of “antiquity” under the Antiquities and Treasures Act, 1972.

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 1962 and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force in the Republic of India .

Signature of applicant

Place

Date

FORM A - 6

(Part –A)

For Companies

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form VII (Part-I) for Manufacture and Proof Test

(see rule 51)

1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	Constitution of the applicant Company	
3.	Company Identification No. (CIN)	
4.	Registered Office Address	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
5.	Name of the responsible person with designation	
6.	Address of the factory for manufacture and proof-testing	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
7.	Description of Firearms to be manufactured/proof tested	
	Category	
	Proposed Annual Capacity (Number)	
8.	Description of Ammunition to be manufactured/proof tested	
	Category	
	Proposed Annual Capacity (Number or Weight in kgs)	
9.	In case the manufacturer does not want in-house proof-testing, name of the range or other place for proof-testing being applied for	

Declaration:

I, _____, the responsible person (named in column 5) of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I, personally and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature & stamp of the responsible officer
signing on behalf of the company

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Documents to be enclosed in case of fresh application as per rule 51

A company applying for a licence in Form VII under these rules will be required to provide –

- a) original or certified copies of the company's founding documents including Memorandum and Articles of Association, Certification of Registration of the Company under the Companies Act, 2013, CIN (Corporate Identification Number), proof of address of its registered office, PAN card and certified lists of directors and shareholders as on the date of application;
- b) copy of Director Identification Numbers (DIN) of all the directors;

- c) identification proof (Passport or PAN card or Voter's identification card) along with 2 recent photographs of all the directors and the responsible person as defined clause *(pp)* of rule 2;
- d) copy of Aadhar Card of all the directors and responsible person;
- e) residence proof (Passport or Voter's identification card or electricity bill or landline telephone bill or rent deed or lease deed or any other document to the satisfaction of the licensing authority of all the directors and responsible person);
- f) copy of the latest balance sheet of the company and audited copy of Net-worth Certificate duly certified by a Chartered Accountant;
- g) estimated project outlay and means of finance for funding the project duly certified by a Chartered Accountant;
- h) certified copy of the board resolution for filing the application under the arms rules along with full particulars of the responsible person authorized to sign the same;
- i) details of foreign control and/or ownership in the applicant company, as applicable, duly certified by a Chartered Accountant.

FORM A - 6

(Part – B)

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form VII (Part II) for Commencement of Commercial Production

(see rule 53)

1.	Name of the licensee	
2.	Licence Number with period of validity	
3.	U.I.N.	
4.	Constitution of the applicant Company	
5.	Company Registration No.	
6.	Registered Office Address	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
7.	Name of the responsible person with designation	
8.	Address of the factory for manufacture and proof-testing	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
9.	Description of Firearms allowed to be manufactured/proof tested in the licence in Form VII (Part I)	
	Category	
	Annual Capacity as per licence (Number)	
10.	Description of Ammunition allowed to be manufactured/ proof tested in the licence in Form VII (Part I)	
	Category	
	Annual Capacity as per licence (Number or Weight in kgs)	

Declaration:

I, _____, the responsible person (named in column 7) of _____ (company), hereby declare that –

- a) we have installed the plant & machinery and successfully carried out the trial run and are ready for commencement of commercial production of the items licensed for manufacture or proof-test as contained in Part A of Licence in Form VII;
- b) we have installed and applied the requisite quality control system for manufacture or proof test of firearms or ammunition;
- c) we have fully complied with the security guidelines as contained in the extant Security Manual prepared by Ministry of Defence, department of defence production, for licensed defence industries and are ready for security and appraisal audit.
- d) a certified list of particulars of the key technical personnel employed by us for carrying out manufacture or proof-test facility along with the proof of their professional expertise & training undergone and identification documents as specified in the arms rules is enclosed with this application;

I, hereby further declare that the above given particulars are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I, personally and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature of the responsible officer with stamp
signing on behalf of the company

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

FORM A -7

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form VII-A for manufacture of Arms Category V

(see rule 53)

1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	Nomenclature Company /Individual	
3.	Business Address	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
4.	Name of the responsible person	
5.	Address of the factory for manufacture of category V arms	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
6.	Description of arms to be manufactured	
	Category	
	Proposed Annual Capacity (Number)	

Declaration:

I, _____, (*Individual or the responsible person named in column 5*) of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I personally and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 1962, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature of the Individual applicant
or
Signature & stamp of the responsible person
signing on behalf of the applicant company

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Documents to be enclosed in case of fresh application

(a) Firm and its Partners

A firm and its partners applying for a licence in Form VII A under these rules will be required to provide –

- a) proof of the identity of the partners and of all persons the applicant firm proposes to employ in the business, including names, physical and recent photographs.
- b) a full set of fingerprints of all the partners;
- c) medical certificate;
- d) information on the arms of category V to be manufactured, including types and quantities;
- e) proof that the firm meets the standards for protection of proprietary and classified information, as applicable;

(b) Company

A legal entity (e.g. a company) applying for a licence in Form VII-A under these rules will be required to provide –

- a) original or certified copies of the company's founding documents, articles of incorporation or other proof of licensed business;
- b) information on the arms of category V to be manufactured, including types and quantities;
- c) proof that the company meets the standards for protection of proprietary and classified information, as applicable; and

- d) information on foreign control and/or ownership in the applicant company, as applicable.

The company is also required to provide –

- e) the identity of the company's officers;
- f) the identity of the person who will be responsible for the day to day management of the manufacturing facility (responsible person);
- g) proof of the identity of the responsible person, including name, physical address and recent photograph.
- h) a full set of the responsible person's fingerprints; and

FORM A -8

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form VIII for Arms and Ammunition Dealers

(see rule 66)

1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	Nomenclature Company/Individual	
3.	Business Address (Shop)	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
4.	Name of the responsible person	
5.	Category of Licence applied for –	Dealer Licence <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit of Arms <input type="checkbox"/>
6.	Description of firearms to be sold or kept for sale	
7.	Description of ammunition to be sold or kept for sale	
8.	Description of arms and ammunition to be deposited under section 21 or for safe custody	

Declaration:

I, _____, the Prop./Partner/Director/Responsible Person of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Place _____

Date _____

Signature of the applicant

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

List of documents to be submitted at the time of application and subsequent renewal thereof –

- 1) A written declaration along with certified copies of drawings stating that the applicant has facilities available of a strong room for the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition;
- 2) A written undertaking in support of the application with specific reference to the steps which are contemplated in connection with the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition including provision for entry access control, close circuit television system, security guard, fire fighting devices etc.;
- 3) Verification forms containing the full names and addresses of every person authorized to trade on behalf the dealer applicant at the premises, who must possess the requisite training for safe handling of firearms as mentioned in rule 10.

FORM A -9

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form IX or IX-A for Accredited Gun Smiths

(see rules 71 and 72)

1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	Nomenclature Company/ Individual	
3.	Business Address (Shop/Factory)	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
4.	Name of the responsible person	
5.	Professional qualification of the Individual applying to act as a Gun Smith or of the employees of the company applying for a gun smith licence (applicable for a licence in Form IX only)	
6.	Description of firearms to be converted, shortened or repaired <i>(major repair under Licence in Form IX)</i>	
7.	Description of firearms to be repaired <i>(minor repair under Licence in Form IX-A)</i>	
7.	Description of firearms or parts of firearms to be stored	
8.	Description of ammunition to be stored for testing	

Declaration:

I, _____, the Prop./ Partner/ Director/ Responsible Person of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Place _____

Date _____

Signature of the applicant

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

List of documents to be submitted at the time of application and subsequent renewal thereof –

- 1) A written declaration along with certified copies of drawings stating that the applicant has facilities available of a strong room for the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition;
- 2) A written undertaking in support of the application with specific reference to the steps which are contemplated in connection with the safe custody of the firearms and ammunition including provision for entry access control, close circuit television system, security guard, fire fighting devices etc.;
- 3) Verification forms containing the full names and addresses of every person authorized to carry out conversion, shortening or repair (major) on behalf the gun smith at the premises, who must possess the requisite qualifications as per rule 72(2).

FORM A - 10

**Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form X for
Import, Export, Export for Re-Import or
Import, Transport and Re-export**

(see rules 79,80,81,82,83)

IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT		
1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	U.I.N.	
3.	Description of arms licence already held and number thereof	
4.	Nomenclature Individual/Company	
5.	Business Address	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
6.	Name of the responsible person	
7.	Category of Licence applied for –	Import <input type="checkbox"/> Export <input type="checkbox"/> Export for Re-import <input type="checkbox"/> Import, transport and Re-export <input type="checkbox"/>
8.	Category of arms or ammunition as per Schedule I for which the licence is sought- I(b), I(c), II, III, IV, V, VI (Sulphur/Chlorate)	
9.	Number of Packages	
10.	Description and quantity of Arms forming part of the consignment for which the licence is sought	
11.	Description and quantity or weight of Ammunition forming part of the consignment for which the licence is sought	
12.	Port of Import	

13.	Port of Export	
14.	Port of Export and Re-Import	
15.	Port of Import and Re-Export (with route of transport)	
16.	In case of Import by sea or air, place where articles imported are to be deposited	
17.	Place of dispatch and route of consignment to be exported	
18.	Place of destination and route of consignment to be imported	
19.	Estimated time likely to be taken for the shipment/journey	
20.	Name, description and address of consignee for import/export	

Declaration:

I, _____, the Prop./Partner/Director/Responsible Person of _____ (the company), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I personally and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature of the applicant

Place _____

Date _____

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

FORM A -11**Form of Application for Journey Licence in Form XI for carrying
of Arms and Ammunition**

Application for Journey Licence		
1.	Name	
2.	Parent/Spouse Name	
3.	U.I.N.	
4.	Address as per licence	
	Mobile No.	
5.	Licence No.	
6.	Validity of the licence up to	DD/MM/YYYY
7.	Area validity as per licence	
8.	Mode of Journey (Road/Rail/Air)	
9.	Names of States likely to be visited during the journey	
10.	Period which the journey is likely to occupy	
11.	Description of Arms endorsed on licence which the applicant wishes to carry during journey	Weapon Type – Weapon Number –
12.	Description of Ammunition endorsed on licence which the applicant wishes to carry during journey	

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 1962, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature /Thumb - impression of applicant

Place

Date

FORM A -12**Form of Application for Transport Licence in Form XII***(see rule 88)*

Application for Transport Licence		
1.	Consignor details (Manufacturer/Dealer etc.)	
	U.I.N.	
	Address as per licence	
	Licence No.	
	Validity of the licence up to	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
2.	Consignee details	
	U.I.N.	
	Address as per licence	
	Licence No.	
	Validity of the licence up to	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
3.	Place of dispatch	
4.	Place of destination	
5.	Mode of Transport (Road/Rail/Air)	
6.	Names of States likely to be covered during transportation	
7.	Probable period of transportation	
8.	Description of Arms to be transported	Weapon Type – Weapon Number –
9.	Description of Ammunition to be transported	
10.	Details of the previous sanction of the concerned authority required under Rule 92	

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature /Thumb - impression of the applicant

Place

Date

FORM A -13

Form of Application for an Arms Licence in Form XIV for Transporter's Licence

(see rule 90, 91)

1.	Name of the applicant	
2.	Nomenclature Individual/Company	
3.	Date of inception of transportation business	
4.	Registered Office Address	
	Telephone	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
5.	Name of the responsible person	
6.	Description of firearms to be transported	
7.	Description of ammunition to be transported	
8.	Number of branch offices or representative offices in India	
9.	Number of employees engaged in transportation business	
10.	Particulars of the fleet maintained by the transporter	

Declaration:

I, _____, the Prop. / Partner/ Director/ Responsible Person of _____ (company name), hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I personally and the company are liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Place _____

Date _____

Signature of the applicant

SUPPLEMENTARY FORMS

Form B-1

Application for Registration with an outside licensing authority

(see rule 16)

Part A

IDENTITY OF THE APPLICANT		
1.	U.I.N.	
2.	Name	
3.	Parent/Spouse Name	
4.	Place of birth (Nativity)	
5.	Date of birth in Christian era	
	in figures DD/MM/YYYY	
	In words	
6.	Present Address	
	Telephone (Office/Residence)	
	Mobile No.	
	E-mail	
	Nearest Police Station	
7.	Address as appearing on the licence	
	Nearest Police Station	
8.	Occupation	
9.	Period of stay in the local jurisdiction	

Part B

Existing Licence Particulars & Weapon Endorsements		
10.	Licence Number	
11.	Issuing Authority	
12.	Last Renewing Authority	
13.	Date of expiry	

14.	Area Validity			
15.	Weapons Endorsed	Weapon 1	Weapon 2	Weapon 3
	Type [Rifle/Shot Gun/Hand Gun (Rev/Pistol)]			
	Bore			
	Weapon Number			
16.	Ammunition allowed	Cartridges Gun Powder/ Percussion Caps		
17.	Mention restriction on sale of weapon, if any			
18.	Details of Additional Licensees under rule 19, if any			
	<u>Additional Licensee No.1</u>			
	Name			
	Father's/Spouse Name			
	Licence No.			
	<u>Additional Licensee No.1</u>			
	Name			
	Father's /Spouse Name			
	Licence No.			

Part C

OTHER PARTICULARS OF THE LICENSEE	
19.	Whether the licensee, since the last renewal/issuance of licence has been –
(a)	convicted – if so, the offence (s), the sentence and date of sentence
(b)	ordered to execute a bond under Chapter VIII of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 (2 of 1974) for keeping the peace or for good behavior - if so, – when and for what period
(c)	prohibited under the Arms Act, 1959, or any other law from having the arms/ammunition

20.	Whether -	
(a)	the applicant's licence since last renewal/issuance was ever suspended or cancelled / revoked - if so, when and by whom and on what account	
(b)	any other member of the applicant's family is in possession of any arms licence, if so, particulars thereof	
(c)	the applicant has a safe place to keep the arms	

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature /Thumb - impression of applicant

Place

Date

Warning:

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Form B-2

Application for allied services related to licences issued in Form II, III and IV

Part A

IDENTITY OF THE LICENSEE			
1.	Name of the licensee		
2.	Parent/Spouse Name		
3.	Present Address		
		<i>District</i>	<i>State</i>
	Telephone Number	<i>Office</i>	<i>Residence</i>
	Mobile Number		
	Nearest Police Station		
4.	U.I.N.		
5.	Licence Number Date of Expiry	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>	
6.	Area validity of the licence		
7.	Firearms endorsed on the licence	Weapon 1	Weapon 2
	Type <i>(Rifle/Shot Gun/Hand Gun)</i>		
	Bore/Caliber		
	Weapon Number		

Part B

Acquisition of a Firearm	
1.	Type of firearm to be acquired <i>(Rifle/Shot Gun/Hand Gun/Others)</i>
2.	Reason for acquisition of firearm
3.	Claims for special consideration for acquisition of additional firearm

Part C

Endorsement of Fire Arms on the licence <i>(see rule 16)</i>		
A	Acquisition of Fire Arm	
(a)	Validity of permission to acquire	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(b)	Date of acquisition of firearm	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
B	Acquisition from manufacturer or Arms Dealer	
(a)	Name of the Vendor	
(b)	U.I.N. of the Vendor	
(c)	Invoice Number	
(d)	Invoice Date	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
C	Acquisition from another licensee	
(a)	Name of the transferor licensee	
(b)	Parent/Spouse Name	
9	U.I.N.	
10	Licence Number	
11	Validity period of licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
12	Details of permission to sell obtained by transferor	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
	Name of the Licensing Authority	
	Reference No.	
	Date	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
	Expiry Date (if any)	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
D	Details to be furnished in case acquisition of firearm is made from any place not covered under the area validity of the licence of the applicant	
13	Reference No. of NOC issued by the licensing authority under rule 92	
	Date of NOC	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
	Validity of NOC	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>

14	Transport Licence Number Issued in Form XII	
	Name of the issuing authority of Transport Licence	
	Date of Transport Licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
	Validity Period of Transport Licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
E	Details of Firearms to be endorsed	
15	Type of Firearm <i>(Hand Gun/ Shot Gun/ Rifle)</i>	
	Make of Firearm	
	Caliber/Bore	
	Serial Number of Firearm	
List of documents to be enclosed		
1	Original Invoice (refer Para B)	
2	Sale confirmation from the transferor licensee (refer Para C)	
3	No objection certificate and Transport Licence (refer Para D)	
4	Coloured photograph of the firearm acquired showing the serial number of the firearm (refer Para E)	
<u>Note:</u> The licensing authority may require the licensee to get the physical inspection of the firearm before endorsement of the same on the licence.		

Part D

Permission to sell or transfer firearm or ammunition under section 5 of the Arms Act, 1959		
1.	Details of firearm to be sold or transferred	
	Type of firearm <i>(Rifle/ Shot Gun/ Hand Gun)</i>	
	Bore/Caliber	
	Weapon Number	
2.	Details of ammunition to be sold or transferred	
	Bore/caliber of ammunition	
	Quantity of ammunition	

3.	Reason for sale or transfer of firearm or ammunition <i>(defective condition of the firearm/ economic reason /any other reason)</i>	
4.	Particulars of the purchaser or transferee to whom the firearm or ammunition is to be sold or transferred	
	If to be sold or transferred to another licensee	
(a)	Name of the prospective buyer or transferee	
(b)	Address of the prospective buyer or transferee	
(c)	U.I.N.	
(d)	Licence Number	
(e)	Validity of Licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(f)	Validity of Purchase Period	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
	If to be sold to an Authorised Arms & Ammunition Dealer	
(a)	Name of the dealer	
(b)	Address of the dealer	
(c)	U.I.N.	
<i>This may be treated as the mandatory notice of 45 days under clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Arms Act, 1959</i>		

Part E

Deletion of Firearms or Ammunition from the licence		
1.	Detail of firearm sold or transferred	
	Type of firearm <i>(Rifle/Shot Gun/Hand Gun)</i>	
	Bore/Caliber	
	Weapon Number	
2.	Details of ammunition sold or transferred	

	Bore/caliber of ammunition	
	Quantity of ammunition	
3.	Details of permission to sell granted	
	Reference Number	
	Date	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
4.	Particulars of the purchase or transferee	
(a)	In case sold to an Arms Dealer	
	Name and Address of the Arms & Ammunition Dealer	
	U.I.N.	
	Serial No. of certificate of Acquisition	
	Date of the certificate of Acquisition	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(b)	In case sold to another licensee	
5.	Name of the purchaser or transferee	
	U.I.N.	
	Licence Number	
	Validity of Licence	
	Validity of permission to acquire possessed by the transferee	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
List of documents to be enclosed		
1. Acquisition Certificate of the Arms Dealer; or		
2. Written Confirmation from the purchaser or transferee along with the signed copy of his licence		

Part F

Extension of time limit for acquisition of firearm (see rule 17)		
1	Date of grant of permission to acquire firearm	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
2	Date of expiry of permission to acquire firearm	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
3	Period of validity of the licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>

4	Reasons for not been able to acquire the firearm within the stipulated period	
5	Details of the firearm to be acquired for which extension is being sought	
6.	Any other claims for special consideration	

Declaration:

I hereby declare that the above particulars given in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that in the event of any information being found false or incorrect at any stage, I am liable to be proceeded against and action taken under the relevant provisions of the Arms Act, 1959, the Arms Rules, 2015, and other central enactments or the law for the time being in force.

Signature /Thumb - impression of applicant

Place

Date

Warning:

Suppression of any factual information or furnishing of any false or wrong information in the Application Form in violation of arms rules will render the applicant liable for punishment under Section 30 of the Arms Act, 1959.

Form B-3

Application for addition/deletion of Retainer(s)

(see rule 20)

For Companies		
<i>To be filled in separately for every addition or deletion</i>		
1.	Name of the licensee Company	
2.	U.I.N.	
3.	Licence Number	
4.	Validity of the licence	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
5.	Details of Weapons endorsed on the licence	1. 2. 3.
6.	Retainer Details	
(a)	Name of the Retainer	
(b)	Parent/Spouse Name	
(c)	Date of birth	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(d)	Date from which employed with the Organization	<i>DD/MM/YYYY</i>
(e)	Present Address	
(f)	Nearest Police Station	
(g)	Tele/Mobile Number(s)	
(h)	Permanent Address	
(i)	Nearest Police Station	

Date_____

(Signature the licensee)

(Signature the Retainer)

SCHEDULE IV

(see rule 26)

Table A

Fees payable for licences

Sr. No.	Licence Form No.		Licence Fee at the time of grant of licence (in Rs.)	Renewal fee (in Rs.)
1	2		3	4
1.	I		3000	3000
2.	II		1000	1000
3.	III, IV, V			
	(a)	Handguns – Revolvers/Pistols (both restricted or permissible)	2000	2000
	(b)	Centre Fire Rifles (semi-automatic) and any other Restricted Firearm of category I(b) or I(c)	2000	2000
	(c)	Breach Loading Centrefire Rifles (not semi-automatic)	1000	1000
	(d)	.22 bore rim-fire Rifles (including semi-automatic)	1000	1000
	(e)	Smooth bore breech loading shotguns	1000	1000
	(f)	Air Weapons including Air Rifles and Air Guns having muzzle energy exceeding 20 joules or 15 ft-lbs Fire Arm Replicas Electronic disabling devices having firing range of less than 4.5 meters Paint ball markers or guns Blank firing firearms Muzzle Loading (ML) Guns Accessories for any firearms designed or adapted to diminish the noise or flash caused by the firing thereof	500	500
	(g)	Sword, bayonet, dagger and spear lance.	500	500

Sr. No.	Form No.		Licence Fee at the time of grant of licence (in Rs.)	Renewal fee (in Rs.)
1	2		3	4
	(h)	Weapons of Category V other than those mentioned in (g)	500	500
4.	III-B	Permits to retainers of Companies (per entry of addition/deletion)	1000	-
5.	V-B	Permits to members of rifle associations/clubs	-	-
6.	VI	Tourists/Sports Persons / others <i>For each weapon</i>	1000	-
7.	VII Part I and Part II	Manufacture and Proof Test <i>(As per the licensed capacity)</i>	Rs. 500 per weapon	Rs. 500 per weapon
8.	VII-A	Manufacture of Category V arms <i>(As per the licensed capacity)</i>	Rs. 200 per arm	Rs. 200 per arm
9.	VIII	Arms & Ammunition Dealers	5000	5000
10.	IX	Gun Smiths (for conversion and Major repairs)	10000	10000
11.	IX-A	Gun Smiths (for carrying out minor repairs)	5000	5000
12.	X	Composite Import/Export Licence for Arms & Ammunition <i>(For each weapon)</i>	1000	-
13.	XI	Journey Licence (for each weapon)	300	-
14.	XII	Transport Licence -		
		<u>Arms and ammunition (for individuals)</u> <i>For each weapon</i>	1000	-
		<u>Arms and ammunition (for dealers and manufacturers)</u> <i>For each consignment</i>	5000	-
15.	XIII	Transport Licence for proof testing <i>For each consignment</i>	10000	

Sr. No.	Form No.		Licence Fee at the time of grant of licence (in Rs.)	Renewal fee (in Rs.)
1		2	3	4
16.	XIV	Transporter Licence	10000	10000
17.	XV	For Import and Transportation for Govt. of Nepal		
		<i>For each weapon</i>	500	-

Table B
Fee for Allied Services

S.No.	Licence Form	Particulars of service	Fee Amount (Rs.)
1.	III	Registration with outside licensing authority under rule 16(1)	500
2.	III	Addition/Deletion of Retainer under rule 20/21	500
3.	All	Change of address within the existing licensing authority under rule 16(3)	500
4.	II, III, IV	Endorsement of weapon under rule 17 (per weapon)	500
5.	II, III, IV	Addition/Deletion of weapon (per weapon)	500
6.	II, III, IV	Transfer of weapon(s) to legal heir under rule 24 (per weapon)	1000
7.	II, III, V	Change of particulars of 'responsible person' under rule 20(3) by companies	1000
8.	All	Correction of Information in licence under rule 32	500
9.	All	Grant of NOC under rule 92	500
10.	II, III, IV, V	Licence Book	100
11.	All	Any other service not mentioned above	500