

**POLICE OFFENCES (AGE LIMITATION ON THE  
USE OF FIREARMS) AMENDMENT ACT.**

**Act No. 44, 1951.**

An Act to make further provision relating to the use of firearms; for this purpose to amend the Police Offences Act, 1901-1947; and for purposes connected therewith. [Assented to, 10th December, 1951.]

George VI.  
No. 44, 1951.

**B**E it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of New South Wales in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

**1.** (1) This Act may be cited as the "Police Offences (Age Limitation on the Use of Firearms) Amendment Act, 1951".

Short title  
and  
citation.

(2) The Police Offences Act, 1901, as amended by subsequent Acts and by this Act, may be cited as the Police Offences Act, 1901-1951.

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Amendment  
of Act No.  
5, 1901.

Sec. 41c.

(Penalty on  
using,  
buying,  
selling or  
having a  
firearm or  
air gun.)

**2.** The Police Offences Act, 1901-1947, is amended—

(a) (i) by omitting from subsection one of section 41c the words “a firearm or”;

(ii) by inserting next after the same subsection the following new subsection:—

(1A) No person under the age of sixteen years shall use, discharge, carry, buy, sell, keep or knowingly have in his possession a firearm.

(iii) by omitting from subsection two of the same section the words “firearm or”;

(iv) by inserting next after the same subsection the following new subsection:—

(2A) No person shall sell, let or hire, give or lend any firearm to any person under the age of sixteen years.

(v) by omitting subsection seven of the same section and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsection:—

(7) (a) Subsection one of this section shall not apply to—

(i) any employee of a gunsmith or gun seller; or any other employee under the age of fourteen years who carries or has in his possession any air gun in the ordinary course of his employer's business; or

(ii) the agent or servant of the proprietor or lessee of any shooting gallery while employed therein or any person shooting at a target or figure in such gallery; or

(iii) a person under the age of fourteen years using an air gun under the personal supervision of a responsible adult.

(b)

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(b) Subsection (1A) of this section No. 44, 1951.  
shall not apply to—

- (i) any officer or member of the Commonwealth naval or military cadets using or carrying a firearm in the performance of his duty or when engaged in target practice at an authorised range or travelling thereto or therefrom; or
- (ii) any employee of a gunsmith or gun seller; or any other employee under the age of sixteen years who carries or has in his possession any firearm in the ordinary course of his employer's business.

(b) by omitting subsection one of section 41D and by inserting in lieu thereof the following subsections:— Sec. 41D.  
(When firearm, etc. carried in parts.)

(1) When an air gun is carried in parts by two or more persons, each and every one of such persons who is under the age of sixteen years shall be deemed to carry an air gun.

(1A) When a firearm is carried in parts by two or more persons each and every one of such persons who is under the age of sixteen years shall be deemed to carry a firearm.

(c) by omitting from subsection one of section 41E the word "fourteen" and by inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixteen"; Sec. 41E.  
(Restriction on sale of cartridges.)

(d) by omitting section 41K; Sec. 41K.  
(Proof of age.)

(e) (i) by omitting from section 41L the words "any firearm or air gun" and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "any air gun or if any child under the age of sixteen years uses or has in his possession any firearm and such use or possession was in contravention of this Part"; Sec. 41L.  
(Liability of parent or guardian.)

(ii) by omitting from the same section the words "firearm or" where lastly occurring.

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