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FIREARMS ACT 1989—REGULATION

(Extending the moratorium on the issue of certain licences)

NEW SOUTH WALES



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HIS Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, and in pursuance of the Firearms Act 1989, has been pleased to make the Regulation set forth hereunder.

TED PICKERING
Minister for Police and Emergency Services.

The Firearms Regulation 1990 is amended:

- (a) by omitting from clause 12A the words “for which an application is made before 1 January 1992” and by inserting instead the words “to any person who makes, or has made, an application for such a licence at any time before 30 April 1992”;
 - (b) by omitting from clause 92 (1) (b) the words “or has not been refused on a ground other than that specified in clause 12A” and by inserting instead the words “or has been refused on the ground specified in clause 12A”;
 - (c) by omitting from clause 92 (2) the words “or refusal of the further licence or further approval” and by inserting instead the words “the further licence or further approval or, in the case of a refusal on the ground specified in clause 12A, 30 April 1992”.
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Firearms Regulation 1990 was amended on 4 September 1991 to create a moratorium on the issue of certain firearm licences, for the purpose of enabling a review to be undertaken of the Firearms Act 1989 and the Firearms Regulation. That amendment inserted clause 12A, which made it mandatory for the Commissioner of Police to refuse an application for a shooter licence or for a personal pistol licence (including an application by way of renewal of such a licence) until 1 January 1992.

The object of this Regulation is to extend the moratorium until 30 April 1992. Clause 12A is amended to require the refusal of applications which have been lodged with the Commissioner before the commencement of this Regulation but which have not yet been dealt with (paragraph (a)).

Clause 92 is amended to preserve the authority of an existing licence due to expire before 30 April 1992 if an application for the new licence is made before that date (paragraph (c)) and to clarify clause 92 (1) (b) (paragraph (b)).
