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Firearms Amnesty Extension

The Registrar of Firearms encourages all persons in possession of unwanted, unregistered or illegal firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, fittings, mechanisms and silencers to surrender those items at your nearest police station or participating licensed firearms dealer. To facilitate this, the Registrar of Firearms has declared a General Amnesty from prosecution for persons who are unlawfully in possession of a firearm or other item for the purpose of voluntarily surrendering it.

The Amnesty also permits any person holding a current South Australian firearms licence to surrender a firearm of a class authorised by the person's firearms licence to a participating licensed dealer for the purpose of making application to acquire and register the firearm or selling the firearm to the participating licensed firearms dealer.

The Amnesty will not provide protection to any person using or in possession of an illegal firearm or other item for any reason other than for the purpose of surrendering it to a member of the police force or a participating licensed firearms dealer.

The Amnesty is in the following terms:

FIREARMS ACT 1977: SECTION 37

TAKE NOTICE that with the approval of the Minister and pursuant to section 37 of the *Firearms Act 1977*, I, GRANT STEVENS, Registrar of Firearms do hereby vary my previous declaration of a General Amnesty from those provisions of the *Firearms Act 1977* and *Firearms Regulations 2008* specified in Schedule 1, subject to the conditions specified in Schedule 2.

This Amnesty was previously declared to commence on 1 December 2015 and remain in force until midnight on 31 December 2016. I hereby vary my previous declaration to the effect that this Amnesty will now **remain in force until midnight on 30 September 2017, or until midnight on the date upon which the *Firearms Act 2015* is proclaimed, which ever date is reached sooner.**

SCHEDULE 1

1. This Amnesty relates to the following provisions of the *Firearms Act 1977*: Sections 11(1), 14(1), 15B(13), 21B(2), 23(1), 23(3), 24A(1), 24A(7)(b), 29A(1), 29A(2), 29B(1) and 29B(4).
2. This Amnesty relates to the following provisions of the *Firearms Regulations 2008*: Regulations 41(2) and 41(3).

SCHEDULE 2

1. This Amnesty relates to all firearms, firearm parts, ammunition, fittings, mechanisms, prohibited firearm accessories and silencers.
2. This Amnesty relates only to persons who are in possession of a firearm, firearm part, ammunition, fitting, mechanism, prohibited firearm accessory or silencer for the purpose of surrendering that item to a member of the police force or a participating licensed firearms dealer.
3. For the purpose of this Amnesty a person can surrender a firearm, firearm part, ammunition, fitting, mechanism, prohibited firearm accessory or silencer to a member of the police force or a participating licensed firearms dealer for the purpose of having the item destroyed or de-activated.
4. For the purpose of this Amnesty a person who is the holder of a South Australian firearms licence can surrender a firearm to a participating licensed firearms dealer for the purpose of applying to become the registered owner of the firearm or selling the firearm to the participating licensed firearms dealer.
5. For the purpose of this Amnesty participating licensed dealers must nominate to participate; hold an unrestricted firearm dealers licence; and conduct a self-audit confirming the suitability of his or her business premises and practices to safely and effectively participate.
6. For the purpose of this Amnesty South Australia Police has published a list of participating licensed firearms dealers that can be accessed from the SAPOL internet site at the following web page address: www.police.sa.gov.au/services-and-events/firearms-and-weapons

Dated 7 December 2016

(GRANT STEVENS)
REGISTRAR OF FIREARMS



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