



SUPPLEMENT No. 2

TO

THE CYPRUS GAZETTE No. 3846 OF 4TH AUGUST, 1955.
LEGISLATION.

THE STATUTE LAWS OF CYPRUS

No. 30 OF 1955.

A LAW TO AMEND THE FIREARMS LAW.

CAP. 86.

R. P. ARMITAGE,]
Governor.

[*4th August, 1955.*

BE it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as follows :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Firearms (Amendment) Law, Short title. 1955, and shall be read as one with the Firearms Law (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Law”). Cap. 86.

Amendment
of section 2
of the
principal
Law.

2. Section 2 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows :—
(a) by the insertion therein, in its proper alphabetical place, of the following definition :—

“ ‘ Commissioner of Police ’ includes any police officer specially detailed by the Commissioner of Police for the purpose ; ” ;

- (b) by the deletion therefrom of the definition of “ Local Commandant ”.

Amendment
of section 4
of the
principal
Law.

3. Section 4 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows :—
(a) by the substitution for sub-section (1) of the following sub-section :—

“ (1) The Commissioner of Police may, in his discretion, grant a licence to import any firearm other than those specified in section 3 of this Law to any person who, in his opinion, is a fit and proper person to possess a firearm and intends to import such firearm for his own personal use.” ;

- (b) by the substitution in sub-section (3) for the word “ Comptroller ” (line 3) of the words “ Commissioner of Police ”.

Amendment
of section 5
of the
principal
Law.

4. Section 5 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows :—
(a) by the substitution for sub-section (1) of the following sub-section :—

“ (1) The Comptroller or any officer of Customs empowered by him in that behalf may grant to any visitor a special licence to import a shotgun for the personal use of such visitor subject to such terms and conditions as the Comptroller or the officer may think fit to impose.”.

Amendment
of section 6
of the
principal
Law.

5. Section 6 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows :—
(a) by the substitution in paragraph (ii) of the second proviso to sub-section (1) for the figure “ 5 ” (line 1) of the figure “ 6 ” ;

- (b) by the substitution in sub-section (4) for the words “ to imprisonment not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds ” (lines 4 and 5) of the words “ to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds ” ;

- (c) by the deletion of paragraph (d) of sub-section (5) and the substitution of the semi colon at the end of paragraph (c) thereof by a full stop.

Amendment
of section 8
of the
principal
Law.

6. Section 8 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “ Local Commandant ” wherever they occur of the words “ Commissioner of Police ”.

Amendment
of section 9
of the
principal
Law.

7. Section 9 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows :—
(a) by the substitution for the words “ Local Commandant ” wherever they occur of the words “ Commissioner of Police ” ;

(b) by the insertion at the end of sub-section (2) of the following proviso (the full stop at the end thereof being substituted by a colon) :—

“ Provided that before issuing a certificate of registration the Commissioner of Police shall require the applicant to produce the firearm for his inspection and marking if necessary.” ;

(c) by the substitution in sub-section (4) for the words “ to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding ten pounds or to both ” (lines 4 and 5) of the words “ to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding twenty five pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine ”.

8. Section 10 of the principal Law is hereby amended as follows:—

(a) by the substitution in sub-section (1) for the words “ Local Commandant ” (line 3) of the words “ Commissioner of Police ” ;

Amendment of section 10 of the principal Law.

(b) by the insertion immediately after sub-section (1) of the following sub-section (the ensuing sub-section (2) being renumbered as sub-section (3)) :—

“ (2) Before issuing a duplicate certificate the Commissioner of Police shall require the applicant to produce the firearm for his inspection and marking if necessary.”.

9. Section 12 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the substitution for the words “ Local Commandant ” (line 2) of the words “ Commissioner of Police ”.

Amendment of section 12 of the principal Law.

10. Sections 16 and 17 of the principal Law are hereby amended by the substitution for the words “ Local Commandant ” wherever they occur of the words “ Commissioner of Police ”.

Amendment of sections 16 and 17 of the principal Law.

11. Sub-section (1) of section 19 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the words “ of any rank not lower than that of sergeant ” (lines 1 and 2).

Amendment of section 19 of the principal Law.

12. Section 20 of the principal Law is hereby amended by the deletion therefrom of the words “ of any rank not lower than that of sergeant ” (lines 1 and 2).

Amendment of section 20 of the principal Law.

13. The principal Law is hereby amended by the insertion therein immediately after section 22 of the following new sections :

“ Duty to keep a firearm safely.

22A. (1) Any person having in his possession any firearm shall keep the same at all times securely and in safe custody and in a safe condition and shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure that such firearm is not lost or stolen and is not at any time available to any person not lawfully entitled to possess the same.

(2) If any person fails to comply with any of the provisions of sub-section (1) he shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to imprisonment not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds or to both such imprisonment and fine.

Amendment of the principal Law by insertion of new sections 22A and 22B.

Restriction
on posses-
sion of
firearms by
young
persons.

22B. No person under the age of twenty-one years shall have in his possession any firearm or shall be entitled to be registered in respect of any firearm under this Law."

Amendment
of the
Schedule
to the
principal
Law.

14. Forms C, D and E in the Schedule to the principal Law are hereby amended by the substitution for the words "Local Commandant" at the end thereof of the words "Commissioner of Police".

4th August, 1955.

J. W. SYKES,
Acting Colonial Secretary.