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**The Firearms and Weapons (Specially Dangerous Air
Weapons) (Guernsey) Regulations, 2017**

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THE COMMITTEE FOR HOME AFFAIRS, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 55A and 58(1) of the Firearms and Weapons (Guernsey) Law, 1998^a and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:-

Air weapons prescribed as specially dangerous.

1. The following air weapons are prescribed as being specially dangerous for the purposes of section 58(1) of the Law –

- (a) any air weapon that is disguised as another object, and

^a Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXVIII, p. 324; as amended by Vol. XL, p. 24; Order in Council No. IV of 2016; Ordinance No. XXXIII of 2003, No. III of 2012 and No. IX of 2016. See also the Firearms and Weapons (Guernsey) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No. * of 2017).

- (b) any air weapon (not being a weapon designed for use only when submerged in water) capable of discharging a missile so that the missile has, on being discharged from the muzzle of the weapon, kinetic energy in excess –
- (i) in the case of an air pistol, of 6 foot pounds (8.14 joules), or
 - (ii) in the case of any air weapon other than an air pistol, of 12 foot pounds (16.27 joules).

Interpretation.

2. (1) In these Regulations, unless the context requires otherwise –

"**enactment**" includes a Law, an Ordinance and any subordinate legislation and includes any provision or portion of a Law, an Ordinance or any subordinate legislation,

"**the Law**" means the Firearms and Weapons (Guernsey) Law, 1998,

"**subordinate legislation**" means any regulation, rule, order, rule of court, resolution, scheme, byelaw or other instrument made under any statutory, customary or inherent power and having legislative effect, but does not include an Ordinance, and

other expressions have the same meanings as in the Law.

(2) The Interpretation (Guernsey) Law, 1948^b applies to the interpretation of these Regulations.

(3) Any reference in these Regulations to an enactment is a reference thereto as from time to time amended, re-enacted (with or without modification), extended or applied.

Citation.

3. These Regulations may be cited as the Firearms and Weapons (Specially Dangerous Air Weapons) (Guernsey) Regulations, 2017.

Commencement.

4. These Regulations come into force on the 1st November, 2017.

Dated this 12th day of September, 2017



Deputy Mary Lowe

President of the Committee for Home Affairs

For and on behalf of the Committee

^b Ordres en Conseil Vol. XIII, p. 355.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe certain types of air weapons as specially dangerous and thus, to be regarded as firearms under the Firearms and Weapons (Guernsey) Law, 1998 ("**the Law**").

Regulation 1 prescribes air weapons disguised as other objects, air pistols with 6 foot pounds kinetic energy or more, and other air weapons with 12 foot pounds kinetic energy or more as specially dangerous air weapons for the purposes of section 58(1) of the Law.

Regulations 2, 3 and 4 are the interpretation, citation and commencement provisions respectively.

These Regulations come into force on the 1st November, 2017.