



**GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
HOME DEPARTMENT**

Karachi, dated March, 2022

NOTIFICATION

NO. SO(A&S)HD-FAB(03)/99:- In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 39 (j), of the Sindh Arms Act 2013. The Government of Sindh is pleased to make the following rules namely:-

- (i) These Rules may be called the Sindh Disposal of Firearms and other Weapons Rules-2021
- (ii) They shall come into force at once

2. (1) In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires the following expressions shall have the meaning hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:

- a) "Act" means the Sindh Arms Act-2013;
- b) "Bureau" means the Fire Arms Bureau established under these Rules.
- c) "Deputy Commissioner" means the Deputy Commissioner of the District.
- d) "Form" means the form appended to these Rules;
- e) "Government" means the Government of Sindh;
- f) "Office-in-Charge of Bureau" means an officer not below the rank of Superintendent of Police or above, who shall be the officer-in-Charge of the Bureau;
- g) "Senior Superintendent of Police" means the Senior Superintendent of Police of the District.
- h) "Weapon" includes Fire Arms, swords, daggers and knives and any object used in Crime and so confiscated, recovered or forfeited on the Court order or these Rules.

- (2) The words and phrases used in the rules shall have same meaning as defined in the Act.

3. (1) There shall be established a Bureau at Karachi for storing and disposal of the illicit weapons recovered, confiscated or forfeited on Court orders or under the Act at any place in the Province and for maintaining a Government reserve of firearms for use:

- a) in an emergency;
- b) by various Government Departments;
- c) by general public

(2) The Bureau shall be under the charge of the officer-in-charge who shall be responsible to maintain the Bureau in accordance with these rules:

(3) The officer-in-charge shall be assisted by a Deputy Superintendent of Police and Police Armourer.

(4) (a) The Deputy Superintendent of Police shall:-

- (i) classify arms and ammunition received by the Bureau;
- (ii) maintain cleanliness and ensure safe custody of the firearms and ammunitions stored in the Bureau;
- (iii) such other functions as may be assigned to him by the officer-in-charge;

(b) The Armourer shall be responsible for:

- (i) cleaning and periodical lubrication of the firearms and accessories in his charge;
- (ii) repairs where possible and replacement of components;
- (iii) providing assistance to the Deputy Superintendent of Police in the classification of firearms ammunition, received in the Bureau;

4. (1) The weapons shall be categorized as follows:-

- (i) historical weapons which are more than fifty years old;
- (ii) prohibited bore weapons so declared by the Government of Pakistan;
- (iii) non-prohibited bore weapons;

(2) The weapons mentioned in clauses (ii) and (iii) of sub-rule (1) shall be categorized as follows:-

- a) **Reserve Stock of Weapons:** The reliable and serviceable weapons that can be of effective use to Government shall be placed in reserve stock
- b) **Serviceable Weapons:** The weapons which do not require any repair to set them in order shall be placed under this category
- c) **Repairable weapons:** The weapons that can be rendered serviceable after local repair shall be included in this category.
- d) **Unserviceable Weapons:** The weapons which are dysfunctional including muzzle loading weapons, swords, daggers and knives or otherwise irreparable shall be categorized as "unserviceable".

(3) The classification and categorization of weapons shall be carried-out in accordance with the direction and approval of the officer-in-charge.

5. (1) Each Senior Superintendent of Police shall maintain a District Malkhana for centralized storing of illicit weapons confiscated or forfeited on court orders or otherwise in the district.

(2) The SHO incharge of a Police Station shall maintain record of such weapons recovered in his jurisdiction in a register in Form-A

- (3) The SHO shall deposit such weapons in the District Malkhana if no case in respect thereof is pending in a Court within fifteen days of its confiscation or forfeiture.
- (4) The Senior Superintendent of Police shall maintain record of the weapons deposited in the District Malkhana in a register in Form-B.

6. The record of the bureau shall consist of the following registers which shall be kept permanently.

- (i) **Receipt Register:** All confiscated weapons, arms, ammunition and received in the Bureau shall be entered in a register in Form-C.
- (ii) The Form shall be made out by computer process induplicate one copy to be given to the depositor and the duplicate to be kept on record duly attested by the Deputy Superintendent of Police.
- (iii) Categorization of serviceable, repairable and unserviceable arms shall be done according to the procedure for confiscated arms and the necessary entries be made in the Remarks column of the register.
- (iv) **Stock Register of Firearms kept in reserve:**
The Stock register in form-C shall contain separate sets of pages for each class of weapons which shall be balanced after each entry made in it which shall be attested by the officer-in-charge
- (v) **Stock Register of Firearms categorized as Serviceable:** The Firearms rendered fully serviceable after repair shall be transferred to the Stock Register of Serviceable Firearms after giving cross-reference in the relevant column of the register of repairable arms which shall be balanced on the first day of every month and each entry of receipt shall be attested by the Deputy Superintendent of Police.
- (vi) **Stock Register for Repairable Firearms:** All Firearms categorized as repairable shall be entered in the Stock Register of Repairable Firearms.
- (vii) **Stock Register of Unserviceable Firearms and Ammunition:** The stock register shall be in two parts as follow:-

PAR-I	:	Dealing with Firearms
PART-II	:	Dealing with Ammunition
- (viii) **Stock Register of Component Parts:** All component parts removed from unserviceable weapons or purchased from the market for the repairing of arms shall be entered in the stock register which shall contain separate pages allotted to each class of component parts.
- (ix) **Stock Register of Miscellaneous Stores:** The stock register shall contain details of all tools, accessories, furniture and any other material, e.g. flannelette oil in charge of the Bureau a typed updated list of all such articles shall be displayed in the workshop of the Bureau.
- (x) (a) The Armourer will be issued only such number of arms for repair that can be repaired by him a day and no further arms will be issued to him until the arms already issued have been repaired and returned.

- (b) If repairs are not completed within a day all Firearms issued to the Armourer will be taken in evening for safe custody and re-issued to him on the next morning day.
 - (xi) All Firearms received in the Bureaus shall be **stamped "FA"** and a permanent serial number shall further be stamped on each firearms received in the Bureau in accordance with the stock register. The stamping shall be done on the right side of the butt or prominent part of firearm.
 - (xii) (a) All serviceable components of foreign make weapons shall be removed and brought on relevant stock register.
(b) The unserviceable arms and ammunition shall be entered in the relevant register which shall be produced by the Deputy Superintendent of Police before the officer-In-charge once every six months for obtaining orders from Home Department for disposal as per procedure to be notified by Home Department .
 - (xiii) All movements of arms and ammunition to and from the Bureau shall be made under proper receipts and after recording necessary entries in the daily diary of the Bureau.
07. (1) All arms and ammunition forfeited to the Government other than the reserve stock, weapons of historical interest and prohibited bore weapons, shall be disposed of-
- (a) by sale amongst general public by the Home Department, who holds a valid license for the weapon which is being sold to him:
 - (b) by distribution by Home Department amongst such Government servants and other individual who are either required to maintain a weapon in discharge of their official duty or they render such service to the state which warrants possession of weapon , whether for a limited period or permanently on such terms and conditions as the Home Department may determine.
 - (c) by open auction by a committee to be notified by the Home Department to individual, Arms Dealers, Clubs etc:

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), the disposing of such arms and ammunition or weapons of historical interest shall in the first place be sold to Government Departments or Government Servants at a price to be fixed by the Home Department:

Provided that they always possess valid Arms License and entitled to keep firearms:

8. Home Department may dispose of weapons of historical interest-
- (a) by offering free of cost to museums located in the Province
 - (b) by sale to museums located out of the Province or to interested individuals or Clubs at the rate to be fixed by Home Department.

Provided that no weapon given free of cost to a museum shall be disposed of by it without prior approval of the Home Department.

9. The prohibited bore weapons may be sold at the prescribed rates to law enforcing agencies by the orders of the Home Department.

10. Home Department shall by notification fix the sale price of weapons of various classification or categories annually on the recommendations of the committee comprising of:-

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| (a) | Special Secretary (Home) | : | Chairman |
| (b) | D.I.G. Crimes | : | Member |
| (c) | Deputy Secretary (A&S) Home Department | : | Member |
| (d) | Officer-In-charge of FAB | : | Member/Secretary |
| (e) | Co-opted Member nominated by the Chairman | : | Member |

11. (i) If the prospective purchaser fails to take delivery of the arms within two months of the offer of sale the same may be cancelled
- (ii) The sale forms will normally be confirmed to the purchaser at the premises of the Bureau.
- (iii) The officer-in-charge shall before delivery of the arms and the ammunitions shall ensure that the purchasers of arms / ammunitions are in possession of valid licenses.
- (iv) All purchases made against licenses shall be entered on such licenses and signed by the officer-in-charge under stamp of the Bureau
- (v) A firearms once sold from the Bureau shall not be returnable.

12. (i) All consignments of arms & ammunition etc; received in the Bureau or issued therefrom shall be detailed in a prescribed Road Certificate (in duplicate).
- (ii) Office copy prepared by the computer process shall be kept on record after a continuous serial number is given to it.
- (iii) The receipt in lieu of the receipt arms and ammunitions shall be pasted with the office copy.

13. The disposal register shall be in two parts as follows:-

- (a) PART-I: Showing firearms issued to various Government servants
- (b) PART-II: Showing firearms sold or otherwise disposed of under orders of Home Department.

14. Where any firearm is erroneously taken and confiscated and dispatched to the Bureau the same shall be subject to availability on a request made in this behalf and be returned with the sanction of the officer-in-charge.

15. (i) The officer-in-charge shall arrange physical checking of all the arms & ammunitions stocked in the Bureau twice in a year by an officer nominated by Home Department.
- (ii) The officer so deputed shall submit a detailed inspection note to Home Department.
- (iii) The inspection note shall cover generally working of the Bureau during the time inspected under the review.

(iv) The Deputy Commissioner or an officer deputed by him to carry out physical inspections of all arms & ammunitions stocked in District Malkhana once in three months and shall submit the inspection note to the Home Department.

(v) The officer nominated / deputed by the respective Deputy Commissioner shall carry out similar inspection of Malkhana of each Police Station in his Jurisdiction at the end of each month and shall submit a note to the Deputy Commissioner concerned.

REGISTER TO BE MAINTAINED AT EACH POLICE STATION FOR MAINTAINING RECORD OF ILLICIT WEAPONS OR WEAPONS FORFEITED

NAME OF POLICE STATION

FIR No	U/S	PS	Date & Place of Recovery	Make of Weapon	Caliber	Local / Foreign	Serial No of Weapon	Signature of SHO	Countersignature of SDPO
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	09	10

REGISTER TO BE MAINTAINED AT EACH DISTRICT MALKHANA FOR MAINTAINING RECORD OF ILLICIT WEAPONS OR WEAPONS FORFEITED

DISTRICT

FIR No.	U/S	Name of Police Station	Date of Receipt Deposit	Make of Weapon	Caliber	Local / Foreign	Serial No. of Weapon	Date of Dispatch to FAB	Signature of Incharge of District Malkhana	Countersign of DSP Hq.	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12

STOCK REGISTER TO BE MAINTAINED AT FIRE ARMS BUREAU

FIR No.	U/S	PS	District	Date of Receipt	Condition of Weapon (Serviceable / Unserviceable / Repairable)	Make of Weapon	Caliber	Local / Foreign	Serial No. of Weapon	From Whom Receipt	Name & address of owner (If Known)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		11	12

Initial of Receiving Officer	Disposal	Sanctioning Authority	Date of Sale	Sale Price	No. of Challan With date of deposit in treasury	Remarks	FAB No.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20

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