Republic of Serbia

Regulation to Stipulate Closer Conditions on the Manner and Procedures of Testing, Stamping and Labeling Fire Arms and Ammunition
In line with art. 19 of the Law on testing, stamping and labeling fire arms and ammunition (Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia, No. 46/95), The Minister in charge of this industry, in cooperation with the Minister in charge of Interior Affairs, have adopted the following

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Article 1

This regulation shall define conditions, manners, procedures and types of testing, or control procedures for the fire arms, ammunition, ammunition components and devices, the methods of stamping, labeling and control procedures for the packing of ammunition and shall prescribe the marks to be used in the process of stamping and marking, that is, it shall describe the stamp, form and content of the certificate and the label to be used for marking of ammunition.

Article 2

Testing, stamping and marking of fire arms, ammunition, ammunition components and devices shall be performed to verify their correct functioning and quality in line with prescribed standards, technical norms and quality standards.

Article 3

Fire arms and devices shall be subject to the testing in cases

1) When any essential structural part has been replaced and adjusted to fit a fire arm;
2) When any dimension has been changed;
3) Of affected resistance of any essential structural part as a result of a mechanical or any other treatment (forging, milling, turning, drilling, welding, grinding, eroding, engraving, etc.).

Article 4

Testing of firearms shall comprise the arms control prior to the testing, the testing itself and post-testing controls.
Article 5

Firearms control prior to any testing shall comprise:

1) control of the marks placed on fire arms;
2) visual control;
3) control of dimensions;
4) control of safe functioning of fire arms.

Article 6

Control of the marks placed on fire arms is done with the purpose to verify whether an essential construction parts bears any of the following marks:

1) description, company name or company code typical of the producer;
2) serial number used for recording fire arms;
3) model/type denominations – used to identify fire arms;
4) type of a bullet that can be fired from the barrel.

Article 7

Visual controls may serve the purposes of checking the quality of a surface treatment and detecting surface defects, if any, impurities, corrosion, workmanship defects of essential structural parts, barrel and bearing deformations.

Article 8

Dimension controls may serve the purposes of checking the barrel caliber, size of the bullet bearing, size of clearing between the head and bascule of the barrel, barrel length and safety catch.

Article 9

Safety controls may serve the purpose of checking the mechanisms for: charging semi-automatic arms (barrel charge, extraction and ejection), closing, triggering, firing, catching, stopping and other mechanisms of special importance for proper and safe functioning and carrying the arms.
Article 10

Testing is done on finished arms or essential structural parts of the arms by firing two testing bullets.

Finished arms, for the purpose of this regulation, shall be the arms to be subject to subsequent blackening (burnishing) and engraving, and the arms made of tested essential structural parts.

In cases of multi-barrel arms, firing two testing bullets shall test each barrel. In case of a revolver, each drum shall be tested separately, by firing one testing bullet each.

Article 11

After-testing control shall include the controls to be performed to prove safety of the arms’ functions, visual and dimension controls.

Article 12

Testing of ammunition and ammunition components shall be done by testing the samples of each series of the produced ammunition.

Article 13

The ammunition shall be packed in a way to enable easy handling. The ammunition package shall be closed in a prescribed way and marked as follows:

1) name or marks of the producer or prospective ammunition user;
2) denomination of bullets, using applicable standards;
3) serial number and number of bullets in each package.

High performance and testing ammunition is to be additionally marked to indicate clearly that the ammunition must neither be used under exploitation conditions applicable to the arms nor be fired from the arms that have not been exposed to special testing procedures.
Article 14

Stamping of fire arms and devices shall be done in cases when the testing proves that the fire arms and devices do meet the conditions prescribed by specific standards, technical norms and quality standards.

Article 15

Stamping of fire arms and devices shall be done as soon as the testing procedures are completed for the purpose of having the essential structural parts visibly marked (by imprinting) with the tormenting stamps, as indicated in the Enclosure 1 attached hereto and making its integral part.

Essential structural elements from paragraph 1 here-above shall comprise:

1) any barrel and head, palm rest, barrel casing, lock (head and body), case, for all types of arms save for revolvers;
2) barrel, drum, palm rest, revolver code;
3) barrel, any bearing and barrel casing (head and body), for the arms without a bearing in the barrel.

A written certificate is to be issued for all fire arms and devices found, during the testing procedures, to meet all prescribed conditions. The certificate will be issued using the Form 1, which makes integral part of this Regulation and is attached thereto.

The certificate shall indicate: type of the arms/device tested, imprinted stamp and other marks, as prescribed for specific fire arms/devices, type of test performed, place and date of the test performed.

Article 16

Ammunition and ammunition components shall be marked as soon as it is verified that they meet all conditions prescribed by respective standards, technical norms and quality standards.

All packages of ammunition, and packages with ammunition components, which are found to satisfy prescribed conditions and standards shall be supplied with a verification notice,
confirming the completion of respective tests. In addition, each package will bear a prescribed label.

**Article 17**

Verification notice evidencing completed tests with regard to the ammunition and ammunition components shall be issued using the Form 2, which makes integral part of this Regulation and is attached thereto.

The label to be put on each package of ammunition and ammunition components will be of paper or any other adequate material, and shall have the form of a band. Its dimensions will depend on the size of each specific package to be labeled with it.

The label shall contain the data about the organization which has completed the testing and the usual marks of the ammunition and ammunition components, together with the stamp of final acceptance, marked under the number 11 of the Enclosure 1.

**Article 18**

With the day of enactment of this Regulation, the Regulation on procedures for testing and stamping, that is, marking of manual fire arms, ammunition and devices (Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia, No. 15/73) shall expire.

**Article 19**

This Regulation shall become effective within eight days after being published in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia.

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Minister of Industry
Oskar Fodor, M.Sc, signed

Interior Affairs Minister
Zoran Sokolovic, signed
Form 1

Certificate On Completed Tests Of Fire Arms And Devices

This is to confirm:

1) that the testing and stamping of fire arms and devices have been completed, as follows _________________

2) that the tested and stamped fire arms and devices bear the stamps and the following marks, as follows _______________

3) that the pressure to which the barrels of the arms have been exposed to amounted _______________

The Certificate is issued at the request ________________, as the owner of the tested and stamped fire arms and devices.

Date__________
Place__________  (seal)  Signature of authorized person of the organization in charge of completing tests and stamping fire arms and ammunition)
Form 2

Verification Notice (Certificate) on Testing of Ammunition and Ammunition Components

This is to confirm that the testing of _____________________(specify the ammunition and ammunition components) has been completed.

The said ammunition and ammunition components was packed in _____________________ and has been found to meet all prescribed conditions.

Date ______________
Place ______________ (seal)  Signature of authorized person of the organization in charge of completing tests and stamping fire arms and ammunition)