Republic of Serbia

Rules on Closer Conditions Governing the Method of Storing and Safeguarding the Arms and Ammunition
Acting in line with art. 32, paragraph 1, point 3 of the Law on Arms and Ammunition (Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia, Nos. 9/92, 53/93, 67/93, 48/94 and 44/98), The Minister of Interior Affairs hereby adopts the following

**Rules on Closer Conditions Governing the Method of Storing and Safeguarding the Arms and Ammunition**

**Article 1**

The objective of the Rules is to specify closer conditions and methods of storing and safeguarding the arms, parts of arms and ammunition.

**Article 2**

The state and other bodies, companies, institutions, organizations and other legal entities which may be indirectly in charge of physical protection and protection of facilities, or may be engaged in conducting activities involving the usage of fire arms, or special arms, the companies and retail stores dealing in the selling of arms, parts of arms and ammunition and companies and retail stores engaged in the repair and reconstruction of arms, shall keep the fire arms and special arms, parts of arms and ammunition, in premises which will be built to observe the following preconditions:

1) any opening in the building shall be covered by a latticed structure, with maximum eye opening of 150x150 mm. The grid has to be welded, made of steel sections of the following dimensions:
   1) equal angle iron, 20x20x3 mm
   2) unequal angle iron, 20x20x3 mm
   3) U-beam, 65 mm
   4) I-beam, 80 mm
   5) Square steel sections with one side not less than 20 mm

2) the connection between the grid from the point 1) hereof and its respective support shall provide the same extent of breaking strength as that of the lattice girder;

3) the premises shall be isolated to represent a separate group in terms of fire protection;
4) central heating, if there is any, has to be of the standard type (hot water or steam);

5) electric installations have to be designed and installed in line with rules defining technical conditions for the installing of low voltage electric installations (Official Gazette of the SFRY, No. 53/88 and 54/88 and Official Gazette of the FRY No. 28/95);

6) installations for the escape ventilation holes, if there are any, with ventilation channels at the entrance of the premises, have to be equipped with fire-prevention lid.

In the premises from paragraph 1 hereof, the arms, parts of arms and ammunition shall be safeguarded in the safes, steel cabinets or in boxes made of reinforced concrete and provided with doors made of steel.

Ammunition and arms shall be safeguarded in different places, separate one from another.

**Article 3**

The companies and retail stores engaged in trading of arms, parts of arms and ammunition shall put in place all necessary preventive, technical and protective measures for safeguarding and handling of the arms and ammunition; the operators directly in charge of trading with the arms, parts of arms and ammunition shall be trained to use the fire arms and to apply protective measures and techniques, in line with regulations.

During working hours, the companies and retail stores from paragraph 1 hereof, may put the arms and ammunition on display in closed cabinets and windows; whenever they are to leave the premises, after the working hours or for some other purpose, the arms shall have to be locked in their respective safes, cabinets or boxes from Art. 2 paragraph 2 of these Rules.

Window glass in the stores dealing in arms, parts of arms and ammunition, need not be furnished with steel lattice from Art. 2 paragraph 1, point 1 hereabove; instead, the glass may be secured by a special foil to improve its breaking strength. The foil shall be minimum 0.1 mm thick.

The premises in which the arms, parts of arms and ammunition are sold can also store the ammunition, but the maximum quantity of gun powder must not exceed the quantity of 20 kilograms.

**Article 4**

Arms and ammunition of the shooting teams and other organizations with certification to
provide training for the usage of fire arms may be transferred, when required, from the safeguarding premises to the shooting site, that is, to the training site, only on such days as specified for conducting the shooting or the training.

The arms to be moved to such locations must not be loaded. The ammunition shall be carried separately, in a closed case or may be packed in some other way, and shall be provided with a device to prevent any accidental activating of the ammunition. Furthermore, it shall be under the supervision of a professional instructor, at all times. Persons in charge of such transfer of the ammunition shall be only the licenses persons. The licenses shall be issued, in line with the law, by the organization from paragraph 1 of this article.

The organization from paragraph 1 of this article shall nominate the person responsible for the safekeeping, storing, recording, issuing, taking over and using the arms, parts of arms and ammunition, which may be used in conducting the person’s duty or business activity.

**Article 5**

The arms which need to be repaired or reconstructed shall be taken out of safeguarding premises where any such repair or reconstruction are to be completed may be handed over to the owners only in such cases when the arms may leave the premises in order to undergo the testing in terms of their safety and precision.

In cases from paragraph 1 of this Article, the persons to take the arms from the company, or a retail store, shall be supplied with a document evidencing that, in line with the law, any such persons have been authorized to do the repair or reconstruction of the arms. The same document will also indicate the evidence that the arms have been taken for repair or reconstruction.

**Article 6**

These Rules shall become effective within eight days from the day of their announcement in the Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia.

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Minister,
Vlajko Stojiljkovic, signed