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South Eastern Europe Small Arms and Light Weapons Legal Framework

**Collection and Update of Legislation for the Compiling of a New
South Eastern Europe
Regional Arms Law Compendium
2014**



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- SEESAC Functional area – technical support and assistance incl. on legislative and regulative issues
- Importance of legislative harmonization and approximation
- Compendium as essential tool
 - Available online
 - Continually changing reference guide
 - Only as good as the information provided



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Albania

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Law on the Usage of Firearms (1998);• Law on Firearms (1995);• Laws on Appendixes to the Law on Firearms;• Law on Gathering Combat Arms and Ammunition (1998);• Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on Gathering Combat Firearms and Ammunition (2000);• Decision on Regulations of Management and Control of Firearms for Physical and Legal Persons (1992);• Decision on Some Amendments to the Decision of Council of Ministers on Regulations of Management and Control of Firearms for Physical and Legal Persons (1993);• Decision on Founding the Import-Export Enterprise Dependant on the Ministry of Defence (1991);• Decision on Destroying or Selling of Ammunition the Shelf-time of which has Expired or will Soon Expire, as well as on Selling of Surplus or Stocks of Firearms and Ammunition (1994);• Law for Collection of Weapons, Ammunition and other Military Materials (2003);• Decision about Setting up Police Sections for Collection of Weapons and Ammunition (2000).	



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Bosnia and Herzegovina

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Law on Arms and Ammunition of the <u>Brcko</u> District of Bosnia and Herzegovina (2002);• Law on Import and Export of Arms and Military Equipment (2003);• Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on Export and Import of Weapons and Military Equipment (2003);• Instruction on Registration of Persons and Legal Entities in Trade of Armaments and Military Equipment (2003);• Instructions on Obligations of Customs Authorities in Implementation of the Law on Import and Export of Arms and Military Equipment (2003);• Instruction on Regulating Export, Import, Transit and Mediation in Trade of Arms and Military Equipment (2003);• Law on Production of Arms and Military Equipment (2004);• Decision on Conditions and Procedure for Registration of Contracts for Production Co-operation in the Field of Arms and Military Equipment (2003);• Law on Testing, Stamping and Marking Hand Fire Arms and Ammunition (2002);• Decision on Conditions and Procedure for Registration of Contracts for Production Cooperation in the Field of Arms and Military Equipment (2004);• Law on Weapons and Ammunition (2003);• Law on Production of Weapons and Military Equipment (2004).	



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Croatia

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weapons Law (1992);• Laws on Amendments and Supplements to the Weapons Law (2001);• Law on Manufacturing, Overhaul, and Trade in Armaments and Military Equipment/ Decision on Proclamation of the Law on Manufacturing, Overhaul and Trade in Armaments and Military Equipment (2002);• Regulations Regarding Purchase, Registration and Legislation of Weapons (2003);• Decree on the Right to Carry and Manner of Using Firearms of the Military Security Agency Officers (2003).	



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Kosovo*

2006	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SALW Strategy and Action Plan 2010;• SALW Strategy and Action Plan 2013.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.



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Montenegro

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Law on Weapons (1994);• Customs Law (2002);• Law on Hunting (1999).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amendment of the Law on Explosive Substances, Introduction 2013;• Amendments and Additions to the Law on the Transportation of Dangerous Substances 2013;• Explanation of the Law on Transportation of Dangerous Substances (separate document);• Statement of Compatibility of Draft/Proposal of Montenegrin Legislation with the EU <u>Acquis</u>;• Act on Foreign Trade in Weapons, Military Equipment and Dual-Use Items;• Criminal Procedure Code;• Strategy for the Control and Reduction of Small Arms and Light Weapons and Ammunition and Action Plan for the Period 2013-2018;• The Law on the Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing;• Amendments and Additions to the Firearms Law;• Law on Foreign Trade in Arms, Military Equipment and Dual-Use Goods;• Decree Promulgating the Law on Flammable Liquids and Gases;• Decree Promulgating the Export Control of Dual-Use Goods;• Firearms Law.



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Moldova

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weapons Law (1994);• Law on Amending Article 10 of the Law on Entrepreneurship and Enterprises and Article 21 of the Law on Weapons (2002);• Law on Amending Article 26 of the Law on Weapons (2003);• Decision on Classification of Certain Weapon Models as Individual Weapons (1997, Am. 2003);• Schedule on Individual Weapon and Ammunition Models to be Entered into the State Weapons Inventory (1997);• Law on Amending the Law on Control of Individual Weapons (2001);• Decision on Entry Into Force of the Law on the Control of Individual Weapons (1994);• Law on the Ratification of the European Convention on the Control of the Acquisition and Possession of Firearms by Individuals (2002).	



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Serbia

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Decree on the Enactment of the Law on Ratification of the Amendment to Article 1 of the Convention on Prohibiting or Limiting the Use of Specific Types of Conventional Weapons that Might be Regarded as Having Excess Traumatic Effects or as Non-selective in Regard to Targets (2003); • Regulation on Control of Crossing State Border and Movements, Stay, Residence Hunting and Fishing in Borderland (1980); • Law on Weapons and Ammunition (2003); • Regulations on the Formats for Requests, Clearances, Weapon Permits and other Documents and Records Specified by the Law on Weapons and Ammunition (1998); • Regulations for the Terms and Conditions for Doing and Methods of Conducting the Training for handling the Firearms and its Syllabus (2000); • Law on Testing, Marking and Labeling Firearms and Ammunition (1995); • Regulation to Stipulate Closer Conditions on the Manner and Procedures of Testing, Stamping and Labeling Fire Arms and Ammunition (1995); • Rules on Closer Conditions Governing the Method of Storing and Safeguarding the Arms and Ammunition (1988); • Decree on Enactment of the Customs Law/ Customs Law (2003); • Customs Law (2003); • Regulations for Conditions and Methods of Carrying Weapons and Ammunition by Authorized Customs Officers (2003); • Decree on the Legalization and Hand-in of Weapons (2003); • Law on Hunting (1993). 	



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The former
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Republic of
Macedonia

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Law on Arms (2002);• The Law on the Changes and Amendments to the Law on the Purchase, Possession and Carrying of Arms (2003);• The Law on Foreign Trade (2002);• The Law on the Personal and Property Security Activities (1999);• The Law on the Changes of the Law on the Protection from Explosive Materials (1993);• The Law on the Production of, and Trade In, the Arms and Military Equipment (2002);• The Law on Voluntary Handling Over and Collection of Firearms, Ammunition and Explosive Material and the Legalization of Arms (2003);• Hunting Law (1996);• The Law on the Amendments to the Hunting Law (1997);• Draft Law on Weapons (2004).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rules of Procedure of the National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons.



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- Review the tables
- Provide where necessary updates
- Suggested timeframe – 30 September 2014