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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**

## Albania

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on the Usage of Firearms (1998);</li> <li>• Law on Firearms (1995);</li> <li>• Laws on Appendixes to the Law on Firearms;</li> <li>• Law on Gathering Combat Arms and Ammunition (1998);</li> <li>• Law on Changes and Amendments to the Law on Gathering Combat Firearms and Ammunition (2000);</li> <li>• Decision on Regulations of Management and Control of Firearms for Physical and Legal Persons (1992);</li> <li>• 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);</li> <li>• Decision on Founding the Import-Export Enterprise Dependant on the Ministry of Defence (1991);</li> <li>• 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);</li> <li>• Law for Collection of Weapons, Ammunition and other Military Materials (2003);</li> <li>• Decision about Setting up Police Sections for Collection of Weapons and Ammunition (2000)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on Arms (2014);</li> <li>• Law No 9707 on State Import-Export Control of Military Goods and Dual-Use Goods and Technologies (2007);</li> <li>• Amendments to Law No 9707 (Law No 9707 Changed by Law No 75/2013);</li> <li>• Council of Ministers Decision No 304 on Defining the Procedures to Make the Expertise and Control from the State Control Authority of Exports (SCAE) (2009);</li> <li>• Council of Ministers Decision No 305 on Defining the Procedure of Issuing the Legal Documents of Guarantee in the State Control Field of the Import-Export Military Goods Activity and the Goods and Technology of Double Usage (2009).</li> </ul>

## Bosnia and Herzegovina

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

## Croatia

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weapons Law (1992);</li> <li>• Laws on Amendments and Supplements to the Weapons Law (2001);</li> <li>• 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);</li> <li>• Regulations Regarding Purchase, Registration and Legislation of Weapons (2003);</li> <li>• Decree on the Right to Carry and Manner of Using Firearms of the Military Security Agency Officers (2003).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision on the Production, Overhaul and Trade of Weapons and Military Equipment (2002);</li> <li>• Law on Weapons (2007);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2008);</li> <li>• Amendments and Additions to the Law on Weapons (2012);</li> <li>• Decision on the Inventory of Military and Non-Military Goods (2013);</li> <li>• Decision of the Traffic Control of Military and Non-Military Goods (2013);</li> <li>• Rules and Procedures on the Transport of Military Goods, Defence Products and Military Goods</li> <li>• Decision on the Inventory of Military and Non-Military Goods (2014).</li> </ul>

## Kosovo\*

2006	2014
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on Weapons (2009);</li> <li>• SALW Strategy and Action Plan 2010;</li> <li>• SALW Strategy and Action Plan 2013;</li> <li>• Law on the Trade of Strategic Goods (2013);</li> <li>• Law on Weapons, Ammunition &amp; Equipment for Authorized State Security Institutions (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction Regarding the Type and Modality of Theoretical and Practical Training and Verification of the Qualification of the Instructors Employed in the Legal Entities Which Shall Be Licensed for Training (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction on Collection of Weapons (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction on the Special Permit (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction about the Legalization of Firearms Belonging to Category B,C and D1 (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction Regarding Minimum Technical and Security Conditions of Facilities Used for Practical and Theoretical Training in Handling Weapons (2010);</li> <li>• Administrative Instruction about the Firearms Catalogue (2010).</li> </ul>

\* 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.

## Moldova

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weapons Law (1994);</li> <li>• Law on Amending Article 10 of the Law on Entrepreneurship and Enterprises and Article 21 of the Law on Weapons (2002);</li> <li>• Law on Amending Article 26 of the Law on Weapons (2003);</li> <li>• Decision on Classification of Certain Weapon Models as Individual Weapons (1997, Am. 2003);</li> <li>• Schedule on Individual Weapon and Ammunition Models to be Entered into the State Weapons Inventory (1997);</li> <li>• Law on Amending the Law on Control of Individual Weapons (2001);</li> <li>• Decision on Entry Into Force of the Law on the Control of Individual Weapons (1994);</li> <li>• Law on the Ratification of the European Convention on the Control of the Acquisition and Possession of Firearms by Individuals (2002).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law No. 130 Regarding the Regime of Weapons and Ammunition for Civilian Purpose (2013);</li> <li>• Government Decision On approval of the Regulation Regarding the Regime of Weapons and Ammunition for Civilian Purpose (2014).</li> </ul>

## Montenegro

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on Weapons (1994);</li> <li>• Customs Law (2002);</li> <li>• Law on Hunting (1999).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on Weapons (2004);</li> <li>• Amendment of the Law on Explosive Substances, Introduction (2013);</li> <li>• Law on Transportation of Dangerous Substances;</li> <li>• Constitutional Basis for the Adoption of the Law on Transport of Dangerous Substances;</li> <li>• Statement of Compatibility of Draft/Proposal of Montenegrin Legislation with the EU Acquis IU/PZ/13/23;</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Explosive Substances;</li> <li>• Constitutional Grounds for Adoption of the Law on Amendments and Supplements of the Law on Explosive Substances;</li> <li>• Provisions of the Law on Explosive Substances which are Being Amended;</li> <li>• Statement of Compatibility of Draft/Proposal of Montenegrin Legislation with the EU Acquis IU/PZ/13/28;</li> <li>• Act on Foreign Trade in Weapons, Military Equipment and Dual-Use Items (2008);</li> <li>• Criminal Code (2012);</li> <li>• Criminal Procedure Code (2010);</li> <li>• Strategy for the Control and Reduction of Small Arms and Light Weapons and Ammunition and Action Plan for the Period 2013-2018;</li> <li>• The Law on the Prevention of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing;</li> <li>• Law on Explosive Substances (2008);</li> <li>• Amendments and Additions to the Law on Weapons;</li> <li>• Law on the Transport of Flammable Liquids and Gases (2012);</li> <li>• Law on the Export Control of Dual-Use Goods (2007).</li> </ul>

## Serbia

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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);</li> <li>• Regulation on Control of Crossing State Border and Movements, Stay, Residence Hunting and Fishing in Borderland (1980);</li> <li>• Law on Weapons and Ammunition (2003);</li> <li>• Regulations on the Formats for Requests, Clearances, Weapon Permits and other Documents and Records Specified by the Law on Weapons and Ammunition (1998);</li> <li>• Regulations for the Terms and Conditions for Doing and Methods of Conducting the Training for handling the Firearms and its Syllabus (2000);</li> <li>• Law on Testing, Marking and Labeling Firearms and Ammunition (1995);</li> <li>• Regulation to Stipulate Closer Conditions on the Manner and Procedures of Testing, Stamping and Labeling Fire Arms and Ammunition (1995);</li> <li>• Rules on Closer Conditions Governing the Method of Storing and Safeguarding the Arms and Ammunition (1988);</li> <li>• Decree on Enactment of the Customs Law/ Customs Law (2003);</li> <li>• Customs Law (2003);</li> <li>• Regulations for Conditions and Methods of Carrying Weapons and Ammunition by Authorized Customs Officers (2003);</li> <li>• Decree on the Legalization and Hand-in of Weapons (2003);</li> <li>• Law on Hunting (1993).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategy on Small Arms and Light Weapons Control in the Republic of Serbia for the Period 2010-2015.</li> </ul>



**The former  
Yugoslav  
Republic of  
Macedonia**

2006	2014
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law on Arms (2002);</li> <li>• The Law on the Changes and Amendments to the Law on the Purchase, Possession and Carrying of Arms (2003);</li> <li>• The Law on Foreign Trade (2002);</li> <li>• The Law on the Personal and Property Security Activities (1999);</li> <li>• The Law on the Changes of the Law on the Protection from Explosive Materials (1993);</li> <li>• The Law on the Production of, and Trade In, the Arms and Military Equipment (2002);</li> <li>• The Law on Voluntary Handling Over and Collection of Firearms, Ammunition and Explosive Material and the Legalization of Arms (2003);</li> <li>• Hunting Law (1996);</li> <li>• The Law on the Amendments to the Hunting Law (1997);</li> <li>• Draft Law on Weapons (2004).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rules of Procedure of the National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons;</li> <li>• Law on Weapons (2005);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2006);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2007);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2008);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2010);</li> <li>• Law on weapons (Unofficial Revised Text of the Law with proposed Amendments);</li> <li>• Law on Weapons (Revised Text) (2010);</li> <li>• Law on Weapons (Official Consolidated Text, 2010);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons (2011);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons I (2013);</li> <li>• Amendments to the Law on Weapons II (2013);</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure of the SALW Commission;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on the Medical Examination 2005;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on the Minimal Technical and Safety Requirements 2005;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on the Storage and Maintenance of the Weapons 2005;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on Civilian Use of Weapons 2007;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on the Minimal Technical and Safety Requirements 2007;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on Receiving and Storage of Weapons in the Case of Death 2007;</li> <li>• Rules of Procedure on the Transit of Weapons Through Borders 2007;</li> </ul>

- Rules of Procedure on Weapons which Can be Obtained based on Approval, A & D Categories 2007;
- Amendments of the Rules of Procedure on the Minimal Technical and Safety Requirements 2008;
- Amendments to the Rules of Procedure on Proper Use, Keeping and Maintenance of Weapons 2008;
- Rules of Procedure on the Types and Models of Firearms 2008;
- Rules of Procedure on the Composition of the Commissions of the Mol 2009;
- Rules of Procedure on the Official Forms for Request and Approval for the Transfer of Weapons and Ammunition 2009;
- Amendments to the Rules of Procedure on the Use and Storage of Weapons 2010;
- Amendments to the Rules of Procedure on the Composition of the Commissions of the Mol 2010;
- Amendments to the Rules of Procedure on the Official Forms for Request and Approval for the Transfer of Weapons and Ammunition 2010;
- Amendments to the Rules of Procedure on the Composition of the Commissions of the Mol 2012.