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FIREARMS (SECURE ACCOMMODATION) REGULATIONS 2009

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I, DERMOT AHERN, Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by subsection (5) of section 4 (inserted by section 32 of the Criminal Justice Act 2006 (No. 26 of 2006)) of the Firearms Act 1925 (No. 17 of 1925), and after consultation with the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána, hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Firearms (Secure Accommodation) Regulations 2009.

2. These Regulations come into operation on 1 August 2009.

3. In these Regulations—

“British Standard” means a specification published by the British Standards Institution;

“BS 3621” means British Standard 3621, entitled “Thief resistant lock assembly. Key egress”;

“BS 7558” means British Standard 7558, entitled “Specification for gun cabinets”;

“I.S. EN 50131” means Irish Standard EN 50131 of the National Standards Authority of Ireland;

“non-restricted”, in relation to a firearm, means a firearm that is not a restricted firearm;

4. The holders of firearm certificates in respect of firearms of the types and numbers mentioned in column (2) of the Schedule at any reference number shall comply with the minimum standards in relation to the provision of secure accommodation for those firearms specified in column (3) opposite that reference number.

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in  
“Iris Oifigiúil” of 7th August, 2009.*

## SCHEDULE

(1)	(2) Type and number of firearms	(3) Secure accommodation standard
1	One non-restricted shot-gun.	<p>The shot-gun shall be disassembled and each part shall be stored securely and separately when not in use.</p> <p>The trigger housing shall be secured against use with an appropriate trigger lock.</p>
2	One restricted firearm or three or fewer non-restricted firearms.	Each firearm shall be stored securely in a gun safe which complies with BS 7558 and which shall be securely fixed to a solid structure.
3	Two restricted firearms, or more than three non-restricted firearms.	<p>Each firearm shall be stored in a gun safe which complies with BS 7558 and which shall be securely fixed to a solid structure.</p> <p>The place in which the firearms are stored shall have an alarm fitted and the external doors to the place shall be fitted with locks which comply with BS 3621.</p>
4	Three or more restricted firearms or six or more firearms, of any type, kept in the same place.	<p>In addition to the standards specified at reference number 3, the place in which the firearms are stored shall have an intruder alarm system, installed and maintained by installers licensed by the Private Security Authority, which complies with I.S. EN 50131 or an equivalent standard approved by the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána.</p> <p>The alarm shall be connected to a monitoring service, operated by a person licensed by the Private Security Authority, and supported with GSM Mobile telephone service back up signalling facilities.</p>



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
1 August 2009.

DERMOT AHERN,  
Minister for Justice, Equality and Law Reform.



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