



GUIDELINES FOR TRANSPORTING FIREARMS

It is the responsibility of a firearms licence holder or exemption holder to ensure that their firearms do not become lost or stolen or come into the possession of a person not authorised to have possession. Conveyance of a firearm must be in accordance with the provisions of the *Firearms Act 1996* and *Firearms Regulations 2006*.

A firearm must not be readily accessible to a person in the normal seated position whilst the vehicle is in motion.

Safety requirements for conveying prohibited firearms:

(Note: 'Prohibited firearms' is defined in Schedule 1 of the *Firearms Act 1996*)

- The firearm is to be in the unloaded condition, with any detachable magazine detached from the firearm;
- The bolt or breech is to be removed from the firearm, if reasonably possible;
- A trigger lock is to be fitted to the firearm, if possible;
- If the firearm is not a pistol, it is to be conveyed in a locked receptacle that is of solid construction or made of timber that is at least 10 millimetres thick;
- The receptacle is to be fitted with a metal lock;
- The locked receptacle is not to contain any ammunition;
- Magazines are not to contain any ammunition;
- If the firearm is a pistol, it is to be contained in a locked receptacle preferably located in the most secure area of a vehicle (such as the locked boot of a sedan).

Safety requirements for conveying other firearms:

- The firearm is to be in the unloaded condition;
- Ammunition is to be in a closed container, completely separate from the firearm;
- Magazines are not to contain any ammunition;
- At least one of the following requirements is to be met:
 1. The firearm is to be in a locked receptacle;
 2. The bolt of the firearm is to be in a closed container, completely separate from the firearm;
 3. The firearm is to be fitted with a mechanism that locks or disables the trigger or action and prevents the firearm from being used.