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FIREARMS (AMENDMENT)  
ACT, No. 8 OF 1980

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AN ACT TO AMEND THE FIREARMS ORDINANCE.

BE it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Firearms (Amendment) Act, No. 8 of 1980.

Short title.

2. Section 2 of the Firearms Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as the "principal enactment"), is hereby amended by the insertion, immediately preceding the definition of "Government Agent", of the following new definition:—

Amendment of section 2 of Chapter 182.

"agricultural purpose" means any purpose relating to—

- (i) the growing of rice, all field crops, spices and condiments, industrial crops, vegetables, fruits, flowers, pasture and fodder;
- (ii) dairy farming, livestock rearing and breeding; or
- (iii) plant and fruit nurseries.

3. Section 12 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor of the following subsection:—

Amendment of section 12 of the principal enactment.

"(2) Every such licence shall be as near as is material in Form D in Schedule A, and shall bear a stamp of sixty rupees."

4. Section 17 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor of the following subsection:—

Amendment of section 17 of the principal enactment.

"(2) Every such licence shall be as near as is material in Form H in Schedule A, and shall bear a stamp of sixty rupees."

5. Section 20 of the principal enactment is hereby amended by the repeal of subsection (2) of that section and the substitution therefor of the following subsection:—

Amendment of section 20 of the principal enactment.

"(2) Every such licence shall be substantially in form J in Schedule A, and shall in the case of persons already holding a licence as manufacturers under section 17 be free of stamp duty, and in all other cases shall bear a stamp of ten rupees."

Replacement  
of section  
24 of the  
principal  
enactment.

6. Section 24 of the principal enactment is hereby repealed and the following new section substituted therefor :—

“Stamp duty  
on licences.

24. In respect of every licence issued under section 23 there shall be levied, on any gun used for any agricultural purpose or any purpose other than an agricultural purpose, as the case may be, an annual duty payable by means of stamps, according to the following scale :—

	<i>for agricultural purpose.</i>		<i>for purpose other than agricultural purpose.</i>	
	<i>Rs.</i>	<i>Cts.</i>	<i>Rs.</i>	<i>Cts.</i>
(a) for every muzzle-loading gun ..	5.00		10.00	
(b) for every breech-loading gun ..	10.00		20.00	
(c) for every rifle ..	25.00		50.00	
(d) for every pistol or revolver ..	50.00		100.00.”	