

'Executive' style safes - compliance issues for firearms storage

'Executive' style safes similar to those pictured below are currently being sold in some retail outlets in Tasmania and also via the internet.

Tasmania Police Firearms Services has identified that some safes of this type, mainly imported from China and fitted with a PIN activated keypad panel and/or handle that are NOT flush mounted, MAY NOT be suitable for the storage of firearms.

Some 'Executive Safes' of this type have keypad panels which can be easily removed from the safe door by a sharp blow on top of the panel. This may allow easy access to the opening mechanism and therefore makes the safe easily penetrable, contrary to the requirements of the *Firearms Act* 1996.

The Commissioner of Police has determined that safes where the keypad can be removed are **NOT** compliant with the requirements of the Firearms Act, unless suitably modified to rectify the design fault.

For further information:

- Visit the 'Firearms' section of the Tasmania Police website: <u>www.police.tas.gov.au</u>, or
- Phone: (03) 6230 2720.

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