

This information sheet provides information about the requirements for conveying **prohibited firearms**.

For information on conveying firearms not classified as prohibited and other useful information on conveying firearms and ammunition, see *Information Sheet 29 Conveying Firearms and Ammunition*.

### Meaning of Convey

The word “convey” is not defined in the *Firearms Act 1996* (the Act) or *Firearms Regulations 2016*. It’s ordinary meaning is “to carry or transport from one place to another” (Macquarie dictionary). Conveying a firearm may occur in a range of contexts. Whether or not a firearm is being conveyed, depends upon the individual circumstances.

### Prohibited firearms include the following:

#### ANY SELF-LOADING RIM-FIRE RIFLE:

Magazine up to 10 rounds – Category C

Magazine over 10 rounds – Category D

#### ANY SELF-LOADING CENTRE-FIRE RIFLE – CATEGORY D

#### ANY SELF-LOADING SHOTGUN:

Magazine up to 5 rounds – Category C

Magazine over 5 rounds – Category D

#### ANY PUMP ACTION SHOTGUN:

Magazine up to 5 rounds – Category C

Magazine over 5 rounds – Category D

#### A PROHIBITED PISTOL – CATEGORY H:

- A. a pistol that has a calibre exceeding .38 inches;
- B. a semi-automatic pistol that has a barrel length of less than 120 millimetres;
- C. a revolver that has a barrel length of less than 100 millimetres;
- D. a single-shot pistol that has a barrel length of less than 100 millimetres;
- E. a pistol that has a magazine with a capacity of more than 10 rounds.

For the entire list of Prohibited Firearms, see Schedule 1 of the *Firearms Act* and Regulation 7 of the *Firearms Regulations*.

### The requirements for conveying prohibited firearms:

Under Section 104 of the Act, a person who conveys a firearm or ammunition must comply with the prescribed safety requirements for prohibited firearms. These requirements are outlined in Regulation 17 of the *Firearms Regulations 2016*. They are:

- The firearm must be unloaded.
- Any detachable magazine must be detached from the firearm.
- Magazines are not to contain any ammunition.



- The bolt, or breech block, is to be removed from the firearm if **reasonably possible**.
- A trigger lock must be fitted to the firearm, if **possible**.
- All firearms must be in a **locked receptacle**.
- The receptacle must be fitted with a metal lock.
- The locked receptacle cannot also contain ammunition.

### If the firearm is a pistol:

The Regulations state that it is preferred that the locked receptacle is located in the most secure area of the vehicle (such as the locked boot of a sedan).

### If the firearm is not a pistol:

The Regulations require the locked receptacle to be of solid construction or made of timber which is at least 1.0 cm (10 millimetres) thick.

### The locked receptacle:

- A solid receptacle might include, for example, a professionally manufactured firearm receptacle made of high-density plastic, Kevlar, metal or hardwood.
- Depending upon the construction of a vehicle, the boot *may* constitute a "receptacle".
- As a precaution, it should not be obvious from looking at the receptacle whether there is a firearm inside.
- If a receptacle is outside the body of the vehicle (for example, in the tray of a utility), it is recommended that it be welded, bolted, screwed, locked or otherwise secured to the vehicle.

