

## THE WILD LIFE PROTECTION ACT

REGULATIONS  
(under section 14)

## THE WILD LIFE PROTECTION (HUNTERS' LICENCES) REGULATIONS, 1973

*(Made by the Minister on the 23rd day of July, 1973)*L.N. 320/73  
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41/89  
58e/91

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wild Life Protection (Hunters' Licences) Regulations, 1973.

2. In these Regulations—

**“appropriate authority”** means in relation to a hunter's licence, the Executive Director of the Natural Resources Conservation Authority;

**“hunter's licence”** means a licence provided for by these Regulations.

3.—(1) No person shall hunt any game bird unless there is in force, in relation to such person, a hunter's licence issued by the appropriate authority.

(2) Any person who contravenes paragraph (1) shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction thereof before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment with hard labour for a period not exceeding three months.

4. Every application for a hunter's licence shall—

- (a) be addressed to the appropriate authority;
- (b) be in the form prescribed as Form A in the Schedule;
- (c) contain the prescribed particulars; and
- (d) be signed by the applicant.

Schedule.  
Form A.

5. —(1) Upon the application of any person for a hunter's licence, the appropriate authority may, on production of a receipt issued under the authority of the Commissioner of Inland Revenue in respect of the pay-

**Form B.**

ment in full of the fee hereinafter prescribed, issue a licence in the form prescribed as Form B in the Schedule, and such licence shall unless it is sooner revoked or suspended under regulation 5A, remain in force during the duration of the shooting season declared by the Minister each year.

2) A fee of three hundred dollars shall be paid to the Commissioner of Inland Revenue in respect of the grant of each hunter's licence.

(3) The Commissioner of Inland Revenue shall refund to any applicant who fails to obtain a licence under paragraph (1) the fee of three hundred dollars on the presentation to the Commissioner of Inland Revenue by such person of a certificate of refusal signed by the appropriate authority.

5A.—(1) Every hunter's licence shall be subject to such conditions as the appropriate authority may determine or specify in the licence and may be suspended or revoked by the appropriate authority for breach of any such conditions or for breach of the provisions of the Act or regulations made thereunder and a licence suspended as aforesaid shall during the period of suspension be of no effect.

(2) Before the appropriate authority revokes or suspends any hunter's licence he shall give the licensee notice in writing of his intention to do so and require the licensee within such time as may be specified in the notice to show cause why the licence should not be revoked or suspended, as the case may be.

(3) Where—

(a) a licensee fails to comply with a requirement pursuant to paragraph (1) to show cause within the time specified in the notice or if the cause shown is inadequate in the opinion of the appropriate authority; or

(b) after due enquiry by the appropriate authority in respect of any allegation made against the licensee and after giving the licensee an opportunity to make representations, the appropriate authority is satisfied that the nature of the facts established consequent on the enquiry is seriously detrimental to wild life,

the appropriate authority may, by notice in writing to the licensee, suspend the licence for such period as the appropriate authority may consider necessary or desirable, or, as the case may be, revoke the

licence from such date as the appropriate authority may specify.

5B. Any person aggrieved by a decision of the appropriate authority to revoke or suspend a licence shall, within fifteen days of the receipt of the notice under paragraph (2) of regulation 5A appeal in writing to the Minister.

6. Every person who fails to carry a hunter's licence, for the time being in force, on or about his person when in the course of hunting any game bird, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction thereof before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment with hard labour for a period not exceeding three months.

7. Every person who, without reasonable excuse (the proof whereof shall lie upon him), fails to produce to any Game Warden a valid hunter's licence in relation to the said person, upon being reasonably required by the Game Warden so to do, shall be guilty of an offence and liable on summary conviction thereof before a Resident Magistrate to a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment with hard labour for a period not exceeding three months.

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SCHEDULE

(Regulation 4)

FORM A

THE WILD LIFE PROTECTION (HUNTERS' LICENCES) REGULATIONS, 1973  
*Application for hunter's licence*

To.....  
(appropriate authority)

I..... of.....  
(name of applicant) (address of applicant)

.....in the parish of.....

do hereby apply for the grant of a.....  
(hunter's licence;

2. I hereby declare I   +hold   a Firearm User's Licence  
  +do not hold  

granted under the Firearms Act +in respect of.....  
(make, type, calibre  
and identification number of firearm)

Dated this.....day of.....19.....

Signed.....  
(applicant)

+Delete if inapplicable

FORM B

(Regulation 5)

THE WILD LIFE PROTECTION (HUNTERS' LICENCES) REGULATIONS, 1973  
*Hunter's licence*

This hunter's licence has been granted to.....  
(name of applicant)

of.....

holder of Firearm Licence Number.....

in respect of.....  
(make, type, calibre, and identification No. of Firearm)

under the Wild Life Protection (Hunters' Licences) Regulations, 1973,  
to hunt game birds in so far as it is not contrary to the provisions  
of any Act or Regulations.

Dated this.....day of.....19.....

Signed.....  
(Principal Director of  
NRCD)