

GENERAL INFORMATION ON THE PRESENTATION OF FIREARMS AND PRODUCTS REQUIRING PERMITS

Arms are the most important product segment at the IWA OutdoorClassics trade fair. The presentation of arms requires special attention and consideration due to existing legal regulations and the conditions stipulated in the conditions for participation in the trade fair.

With your registration, you as an exhibitor have undertaken to unconditionally recognize and observe the legal provisions relating to weapons that apply at the trade fair location as well as the conditions stipulated in the conditions of participation.

In the event of non-compliance despite a warning, the organizer is entitled to exclude you as an exhibitor from the current and the next IWA OutdoorClassics. Therefore, please be sure to observe the following instructions and information in your own interest and note that violations of applicable arms regulations of the Federal Republic of Germany are punishable by criminal prosecution.

ADMISSIBLE EXHIBITS:

- ▶ **Arms and products** that fit into the specified nomenclature and the theme of IWA OutdoorClassics as a trade fair for hunting, target sports and outdoor activities. In case of doubt, the exhibition management decides on the admissibility of a product in consultation with the exhibition committee and the sponsors of IWA OutdoorClassics.
- ▶ **Airsoft guns** that resemble **fully automatic military weapons**:
 - max. 1 model of each of these guns may be displayed,
 - the models may not be shown as fully automatic versions. Fully automatic guns with an initial energy exceeding 0.5 joule are **prohibited** under German firearms law and must **not** be exhibited!
- ▶ **“Prohibited arms and articles” (as per German Firearms Act)**
 - A Presentation is only possible if in possession of a relevant special permission from the Federal Criminal Investigation Office – see further information at “Application for special permission”.
 - Here you will find a list of all 38 categories of objects that are considered prohibited in Germany.
 - Please note that these categories change annually.
 - The responsibility for checking whether your exhibits fall under these categories lies with you and is mandatory.

Please note:

► **Essential parts of firearms**

The legally „essential parts of firearms“ as well as silencers are, as before under German law, equal to the firearms for which they are intended.

The „essential parts“ are

- the barrel,
- the cartridge chamber, if it is not already part of the barrel,
- the breech lock,
- the housing and
- the frame or other parts of the gun, provided they are intended to accommodate the trigger mechanism.

In the case of a separable breech, both the breech head and the breech carrier are „essential parts“ and if the weapon housing consists of an upper and a lower housing part / receiver (example: semi-auto long guns in M16/AR-15 style), both parts are „essential parts“.

“Essential parts” are to be treated as firearms requiring a license with regard to registration and transportation.

► **Weapon lamps / mounting devices**

It is expressly pointed out that

- lamps specifically designed for mounting on firearms
- lamps (usually torches) associated with a suitable device for mounting them on guns and
- separate devices for mounting of lamps on guns

are prohibited by the German Firearms Act and require the approval of the Federal Criminal Investigation Office. This is also valid for their production, import and holding.

- It is irrelevant whether or not such a device and/or lamp is already mounted on a gun.
- The type of gun on which the device and/or lamp is to be mounted is also irrelevant, i.e. the ban not only applies to firearms requiring a licence, but also to airguns, spring-operated guns, CO2 guns and airsoft guns.

INADMISSIBLE EXHIBITS:

- ▶ **Military weapons and items** as defined by the Military Weapons Control Act (German KrWaffKontrG) (This also covers the presentation of military weapons and items in brochures, films or similar that can result in contract transactions).
- ▶ **Any firearms rendered unusable**, in particular originally fully automatic firearms and weapons of war that have been converted to decorative weapons and salute weapons.
- ▶ **Parts** of military weapons and items.
- ▶ **Fully automatic firearms** that are not military weapons, including non-essential weapon parts of fully automatic firearms (see under „Essential parts of firearms“). Firearms for this purpose also include fully automatic airsoft, CO2, air or other kinds of spring-operated guns with an initial energy exceeding 0.5 joule as listed above.

PREVENTION OF THEFT / STAND SECURITY MANAGER

We would like to point out that firearms and products requiring permits must be secured against theft and unauthorized access by suitable measures at all times of the day and night, expressly also during the trade fair.

Especially products requiring a special permission by the BKA need to be secured against theft all the times during day and night.

Every exhibitor that exhibits products requiring permits needs to appoint a stand security manager and a substitute stand security manager to the exhibition management in order to guarantee these regulations.

Details on the prevention of theft and the necessary information on the stand security manager can be found under „5. Stand security manager & prevention of theft“.

DIRECT SELLING

The delivery or handing over of exhibits (direct selling) is prohibited. In the event of contravention of this rule in spite of a warning being given, the organizer shall be entitled to exclude the exhibitor concerned from the current and next IWA OutdoorClassics. It is emphasized that the direct sale, delivery or handling (also as gifts or loan) of guns, ammunition and cut and thrust weapons is not only a violation of the Conditions for Participation in IWA OutdoorClassics, but also constitutes an offence against the applicable statutory firearms regulations of the Federal Republic of Germany (§ 52 Clause 1 No. 3 of German Firearms Act) and must be punished by penal prosecution.

STORAGE OF EMPTY PACKAGING DURING THE EXHIBITION

Please note that it is strictly prohibited to pack guns and/or gun parts in the empty packaging material stored during the exhibition.