

WILDLIFE ACT, 1976 (FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION) REGULATIONS 1977

I, BRIAN LENIHAN, Minister for Fisheries, in exercise of the power conferred on me by section 33 (4) of the Wildlife Act, 1976 (No. 39 of 1976), as adapted by the Lands (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order, 1977 (S.I. No. 29 of 1977), hereby make the following Regulations:—

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1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wildlife Act, 1976 (Firearms and Ammunition) Regulations, 1977.

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2. (a) The firearms and ammunition of the type and calibre specified in the Schedule to these Regulations may be used to hunt deer species.

(b) Firearms and ammunition of any type and calibre other than the type and calibre specified in the Schedule to these Regulations shall not be used to hunt deer species.

SCHEDULE.

Firearms.

Centre-fire rifles of not less than .22 calibre with a muzzle energy of not less than 1,700 foot pounds.

Ammunition.

Any bullet for use in such rifles, weighing not less than 55 grains.

GIVEN under my Official Seal, this 21st day of July, 1977.

BRIAN LENIHAN,

Minister for Fisheries.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

These regulations specify the type and calibre of firearms and ammunition which may be used to shoot deer species and provide that no other type and calibre may be used for that purpose.