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OFFENSIVE WEAPONS ACT SURRENDER AND COMPENSATION SCHEME - CLAIM FORM

(Please ensure that you have read the accompanying guidance before completing this form)

PLEASE COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS

PART A – Your details

Title					
Forename(s)					
Surname					
Date of Birth	Day		Month		Year
Your address	House number or name				
	Street				
	Village, Town or City				
	County				
	Postcode				
Contact number					
Email					

PART B – What items are you surrendering to the police? Tick the relevant box(es).

<input type="checkbox"/>	Firearms – if so, complete the details of the items you are surrendering in Part F of this form.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Firearms Ancillary Equipment - if so, complete the details of the items you are surrendering in the list in Part G of this form.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Offensive weapons - if so, complete the details of the items you are surrendering in the list in Part H of this form.

PART C – Do you want to claim financial compensation for the item(s) you are surrendering to the police? Note your claim must amount to £30 or over to be eligible for compensation. Tick which box applies.

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	Now go to Part D of this form
No	<input type="checkbox"/>	Now go to Part E of this form

PART D – Your bank account

All compensation payments will be made by cheque if it is determined that compensation is payable. Please provide here the details of the bank account into which any compensation awarded to you will be paid. These details will be included on any cheque that is issued by the Home Office.

Name of account holder	
Account number	
Bank sort code	

PART E – Declaration and signature:

- I declare that I have read the guidance for the scheme.
- I declare that I am the legal owner of the weapon(s) that I am surrendering to the police and it was/they were lawfully acquired by me.
- I confirm that I understand that in surrendering the item(s) described in Parts F - H of this form to the police, I have relinquished any entitlement to the ownership or use of the item(s).
- I confirm that I owned the weapon(s) on the relevant date or contracted to acquire it on or before that date in order to be eligible to make a claim. These dates are as follows:

For knives and offensive weapons

- owned or contracted to acquire the weapon on or before **20 June 2018** (unless this is a cyclone knife, see below; and
- in the case of a cyclone knife owned or contracted to acquire the weapon on or before **22 January 2019**

For firearms

- owned or contracted to acquire the firearm on or before **20 June 2018**, with entitlement to have that firearm in your possession by virtue of a firearm certificate held by you or by virtue of being a registered firearms dealer

For bump stocks

- owned or contracted to acquire the bump stock on or before **20 June 2018**; and
- did not import the bump stock into the United Kingdom on or after **4 December 2017**

For ancillary equipment

- owned or contracted to acquire the equipment on or before **20 June 2018**

- If seeking compensation: I will accept the listed value in relation to the items for which I am making a claim. Tick which box applies.

Yes

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No

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- If “Yes” is ticked, I accept that the police may dispose of the item(s) concerned straightaway.
- To the best of my knowledge and belief all the items listed in Parts F - H of this application are eligible for payment under the published terms of that scheme.
- By signing this declaration, I authorise the police to pass on the information contained in this form to the Home Office for the purposes of processing any claim that I am making for financial compensation.

Signature of legal owner

Date.....

Person surrendering the item(s) if not the legal owner

If you are surrendering the item(s) on behalf of the legal owner, please the details on the next page. This is in addition to the signature of the legal owner above.

If you are surrendering item(s) on behalf of the legal owner, if the owner is unable to do so for any reason, please complete the following information about you:

Title					
Forename(s)					
Surname					
Date of Birth	<i>Day</i>		<i>Month</i>		<i>Year</i>
Your address	<i>House number or name</i>				
	<i>Street</i>				
	<i>Village, Town or City</i>				
	<i>County</i>				
	<i>Postcode</i>				

Signature of person surrendering the item(s) if different to the legal owner.

Signature..... Date.....

DETAILS OF THE PROPERTY BEING SURRENDERED (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CLAIMANT)

PART F – FIREARMS (ENGLAND, WALES, SCOTLAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND)

Ref. Official Use Only	Item	How many?	Seeking compensation? Enter Y or N	If Y, do you accept standard value? Enter Y or N		If N and claiming individual value, enter value (£)	Has evidence to support individual value been provided? Enter Y or N	Total claim for item(s) (£)
				Standard Value				
F1	Lever Release 9mm			£2,240				
F2	Lever Release .45 ACP			£2,362				
F3	Lever Release .223			£4,445				
F4	Lever Release .308			£5,105				
F5	VZ58 MARS rifle (calibre 5.56 x 45 and calibre 7.62 x 39)			£1,950				
F6	Bump stock			N/A				

PART G - FIREARMS ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT (ENGLAND, WALES, SCOTLAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND)

Ref. Official Use Only	Item	How many?	Seeking compensation? Enter Y or N	If Y, do you accept standard value? Enter Y or N		If N and claiming individual value, enter value (£)	Has evidence to support individual value been provided? Enter Y or N	Total claim for item(s) (£)
				Standard Value				
A1	Upgraded AR Charging handle			£90				
A2	Upgraded Triggers			£150				
A3	Upgraded forend			£150				
A4	Forend grip, grip rails, VFG's etc			£50				
A5	Pistol Grips			£26				
A6	Buffer tube assemblies			£60				
A7	Butt stock			£60				
A8	Action Pins			£20				
A9	Iron Sights			£115				
A10	Sling mounts			£50				
A11	Bipods each			£70				
A12	Safety selectors			£50				
A13	Magazine buttons			£45				
A14	Magazines			£28				
A15	Electronic sights			£170				
A16	Optical rifle scopes			£160				
A17	Sight Mounts			£50				

If you are surrendering any other equipment that is designed or adapted for use in connection with firearms prohibited by the Offensive Weapons Act and which has no practicable use in connection with any firearm which is not a prohibited weapon, please include the details on the next page. Please also indicate whether you are seeking compensation, how much compensation and please provide evidence of that valuation to support your claim.

PART G - CONTINUED

Ref. Official Use Only	Item	How many?	Seeking compensation ? Enter Y or N	If Y, enter amount claimed per item.	Has evidence to support value been provided? Enter Y or N	Total claim for item(s) (£)
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PART H - OFFENSIVE WEAPONS (ENGLAND AND WALES ONLY)

To help clarify which items will be subject to prohibition, the Surrender and Compensation Scheme Values List at www.gov.uk includes descriptions of each of the items listed as Offensive Weapons.

Ref. Official Use Only	Item	How many?	Seeking compensation? Enter Y or N	If Y, do you accept standard value? Enter Y or N		If N and claiming individual value, enter value (£)	Has evidence to support individual value been provided? Enter Y or N	Total claim for item(s) (£)
				Standard Value				
OW1	Flick knife (or 'flick gun')			£20				
OW2	Gravity knife			£40				
OW3	Zombie knife			£10				
OW4	Cyclone knife (aka 'spiral knife')			£30				
OW5	Curved sword			£15				
OW6	Baton			£10				
OW7	Stealth knife			£3				
OW8	Disguised knife			£5				
OW9	Knuckle Duster			£2				
OW10	Swordstick			£12				
OW11	Handclaw			£9				
OW12	Belt buckle knife			£5				
OW13	Push dagger			£2				
OW14	Hollow kubotan			£3				
OW15	Footclaw			£7				
OW16	Shuriken (aka 'shaken' or 'death star')			£5				
OW17	Balisong (aka 'butterfly knife')			£9				
OW18	Telescopic truncheon			£20				
OW19	Blowpipe (aka 'blow gun')			£14				
OW20	Kusari gama			£35				
OW21	Kusari (or manrikigusari)			£10				

OW22	Kyoketsu shoge			£20				
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Once completed, the police must complete the receipt at Annex B. The entire form, including the receipt, should then be sent to OWACompensationScheme@homeoffice.gov.uk. The Home Office will review the claim and respond directly to the claimant to confirm progress and next steps as soon as possible.

The completed receipt at Annex B must be given to the claimant.

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Annex A: Guidance for completing the Offensive Weapons Act Surrender and Compensation Scheme - Claim Form

This section provides guidance for individuals completing this form. Further information can be found in 'Offensive Weapons Act 2019: surrender and compensation scheme for certain firearms and offensive weapons - Guidance for surrender and claiming compensation' available on www.gov.uk. Alternatively you can ask for assistance at the police station in which you are surrendering your items, you can email your question to OWACompensationSchemeEnquiries@homeoffice.gov.uk.

PART A – Your details

Please use this Part to provide the relevant details in the correct boxes. The police will need to verify your identity and it is important to provide correct contact details so you can be contacted regarding your claim(s) for compensation. Your phone number can be a landline or mobile.

Part A should include an email contact address. At the present time, Home Office staff are mostly working from home, and contact by email rather than by post will avoid any delays in considering claims or paying compensation.

PART B – What items are you surrendering to the police?

This Part asks you to confirm whether you are surrendering Firearms, Firearms Ancillary Equipment or Offensive Weapons. Please tick the box(es) next to the type of weapon you are surrendering. You may tick more than one box. Part B also references completing Parts F, G, and H. For guidance on completing these Parts, please see below.

PART C – Do you want to claim financial compensation for the item(s) you are surrendering to the police?

Under the Offensive Weapons Act Surrender and Compensation Scheme, legitimate and eligible owners of firearms and offensive weapons are entitled to financial compensation to cover the value of any item surrendered. Please use this Part to indicate whether you are claiming financial compensation by ticking the relevant box - 'Yes' or 'No'.

Note, the Home Office has published a values list containing the standard amount of compensation that will be paid to the lawful owners of items that are surrendered to the police under this scheme. If you consider that your item is worth more than the standard amount of compensation published, it is open to you to make a claim for the higher amount and if you wish to do so you must provide acceptable evidence of this value. This evidence, which must be submitted at the time of surrendering the item to the police, will be forwarded to the Home Office for consideration alongside your compensation claim. The amount of compensation due to you will be decided by the Home Office. If your claim is for over £250 for any single item, other than a firearm or ancillary equipment, it is recommended that you provide a photograph of the item along with the evidence of its value.

Further information on your potential entitlement and how to claim compensation can be found in 'Offensive Weapons Act 2019: surrender and compensation scheme for certain firearms and

offensive weapons - Guidance for surrender and claiming compensation' which is available on www.gov.uk.

PART D – Your bank account

If it is determined that compensation is payable, we will issue a cheque for that amount to be paid into the account specified in Part D of this form.

PART E – Declaration

You are required to complete this Part to confirm that you are the legal owner of the item(s) that you are surrendering, that it was lawfully acquired and that you are eligible to claim compensation, if applicable. You should have also read and ensured that you understood the guidance for the scheme before signing. Signing this Part also signals that you understand that in surrendering the item(s) you relinquish your ownership of the item(s) you are surrendering.

If you are claiming financial compensation, you are also required to use this Part to confirm whether:

- you will accept the compensation value listed in this document for your item(s) (under Parts F, G and H);
- you will not accept the compensation value listed in this document for your item(s) (under Parts F, G and H) and are seeking a higher amount;
- you will accept the compensation value listed in this document for some of your item(s) but will not accept the compensation value listed for other item(s) (under Parts F, G and H).

You must tick which box applies to your application.

If you are claiming compensation for an offensive weapon, you must have been the lawful owner on 20 June 2018 (or otherwise lawfully contracted to acquire the weapon on or before that date) unless the item is a cyclone knife. In the case of a cyclone knife, you must have been the lawful owner on 22 January 2019 (or otherwise lawfully contracted to acquire the weapon on or before that date).

If you are claiming compensation for a firearm, ancillary equipment or a bump stock, you must have been the lawful owner (or otherwise lawfully contracted to acquire the item(s)) before 20 June 2018. In the case of a firearm, you must have owned or contracted to acquire the firearm on or before 20 June 2018, with entitlement to have that firearm in your possession by virtue of a firearm certificate held by you or by virtue of being a registered firearms dealer. Additionally, in the case of a bump stock, you must not have imported the item into the United Kingdom on or after 4 December 2017.

If you acquired any of the above items after the relevant dates, you will still need to safely dispose of the items and should do so by surrendering them to the police at a designated police station. You will not, however, be eligible to claim compensation under this scheme.

Signing the declaration also confirms that you agree that the police can pass on the information contained in this form to the Home Office for the purposes of processing any claim that you are making for financial compensation.

Further information on your potential entitlement and how to claim compensation can be found in 'Offensive Weapons Act 2019: surrender and compensation scheme for certain firearms and offensive weapons - Guidance for surrender and claiming compensation' which is available on www.gov.uk.

PARTS F, G, and H – Details on the property being surrendered

In these Parts you will find the list of all the firearms, firearms ancillary equipment and offensive weapons that are subject to surrender, as well as the standard value of compensation that is payable for each item if you are seeking compensation.

It is important that you accurately complete these parts to ensure we know how many items you are surrendering, which of these items you are seeking compensation for, and what you consider the value of each individual item to be.

If you are seeking more than the standard value compensation, you must complete these Parts to state the value you believe the item to be worth and to confirm that you have provided evidence to support this value. If you are claiming more than £250 for any offensive weapon, it is recommended that the supporting evidence you provide includes a photograph of the weapon.

Further information on your potential entitlement and how to evidence your valuation if you are claiming an amount higher than the standard value can be found in 'Offensive Weapons Act 2019: surrender and compensation scheme - Guidance for surrender and claiming compensation' which is available on www.gov.uk.

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Annex B – This section is to be completed by the police

To be completed by the police. Once completed, a copy will be provided to the claimant as a receipt.

Application unique reference number: Format is Police Station Code + Property booking in reference. E.g. XXX-123456	
Police Force	
Name of receiving officer or staff (please print)	
Receiving station name	
Date received	
Identity of claimant confirmed? (Y/N)	
Ownership by claimant confirmed? (Y/N)	
All surrendered items correctly detailed in Parts F-H? (Y/N) If no, use box below for details	
Is the value of the claim £30 or over? (Y/N)	
Valuation of relevant items provided and attached? (Y/N)	
Declarations completed and signed by applicant (Y/N)	
Where firearm surrendered, enter relevant firearms certificate number	

Additional comments: This space is for the police to record any other information not provided elsewhere in this form. If required, further detail can be recorded on another page.

For police use: Once completed the entire form with all supporting documents should then be sent to OWACompensationScheme@homeoffice.gov.uk with the compensation claim's unique reference number added to the subject line. The Home Office will review the claim and respond directly to the claimant to confirm progress and next steps in due course. A copy or photo of the completed receipt at Annex B should be given to the claimant.

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