

Report the transfer of weapons or ammunition only to authorized persons in Germany

If you as a citizen transfer weapons and/or ammunition that require a permit, you must notify the competent authority within two weeks.

Competent Department

• Ordnungsamt | Referat 11 - Waffen- und Jagdangelegenheiten

Basic information

If you transfer your licensed weapon and/or ammunition to another person, you must report this to the relevant weapons authority within two weeks. The competent firearms authority will then delete the entry for the weapon and/or ammunition from your firearms possession card (WBK) and, if applicable, from your European firearms pass.

You do not have to report if you

- you transfer essential parts of the weapon in order to have embellishment work or similar work carried out and then receive them back after the work has been completed,
- transfer weapons and/or ammunition as part of a training or employment relationship,
- temporarily transfer weapons and/or ammunition for shooting at a shooting range.

Requirements

You have a gun ownership card (WBK).

What documents do I need?

- Identity card or passport (copy)
- European firearms pass, if applicable

Procedure

You must report the transfer of weapons and/or ammunition requiring a permit to the responsible weapons authority. Submit the application together with the required documents.

Application in paper form

- You can request a print-out of the application form by e-mail at waffenundjagd@ordnungsamt.bremen.de or you can obtain a paper copy from the responsible authority on site.
- Complete the application.
- Attach a copy of the required documents to the application.
- Send everything by post or hand in the documents on site after making an appointment. The completed application should be handed in to the responsible office.
- You will receive the decision by post.

Legal bases

- § 34 Waffengesetz (WaffG)
- § 37a Satz 1 Waffengesetz (WaffG)
- § 37f Waffengesetz (WaffG)
- § 37g Waffengesetz (WaffG)

What deadlines must be paid attention to?

2 weeks

How long does it take to process

4 to 8 weeks.

What are the costs?

The fees may vary and depend on various factors. Further information on fees can be found in the Internal Administration Costs Ordinance. You will find the link under "Legal bases" - "Cost Ordinance for Internal Administration (InKostV)".