

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.

Online application

- Use the online service. You will find the link under "Further information" Online service".
- The online service guides you through the application step by step.
- You can store the required documents directly in the online service.
- If you want to use the full online functions of the service, you must log in with your Bund-ID user account.
- If you do not yet have a user account, you can register on the registration page.
- If you do not register with your Bund-ID, you will need to make an appointment in person at the firearms authority to have your personal details checked before your application can be processed.
- Once the application has been checked, you will receive the firearms permit and the invoice by post.

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 relevant office.
- Fill in the application form.
- 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 weeks bis 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)".