

# Show installation of a blocking system for inherited weapons

If you need to have your inherited firearms blocked, you must report this to the relevant firearms authority.

## Competent Department

- [Ordnungsamt | Referat 11 - Waffen- und Jagdangelegenheiten](#)

## Basic information

If you have inherited weapons and/or ammunition that require a permit, do not have a gun ownership card and cannot prove a need to possess the inherited weapons, you must render the inherited weapons unusable or have them fitted with a state-of-the-art blocking system. Ammunition requiring a permit must be rendered unusable or given to an authorized person.

The blocking system must be installed by a recognized gun dealer or gunsmith. They will also issue you with proof of installation. The Physikalisch-technische Bundesanstalt (PTB) in Braunschweig tests the conformity and approves newly developed blocking systems in accordance with the Technical Directive - Blocking Systems for Inherited Weapons. Further information, including the current status of the blocking systems available on the market, can be found on the website of the Physikalisch-Technische Bundesanstalt (PTB) under "Further information"

If there is no state-of-the-art blocking system on the market for one or more inherited weapons, you can apply for an exemption from the obligation to secure all inherited weapons with a state-of-the-art blocking system.

## Requirements

- You have inherited weapons.
- You have had a state-of-the-art blocking system installed in your inherited firearm(s) or can prove that there is no such blocking system on the market for all inherited firearms.

## What documents do I need?

- Identity card or passport (copy)

- Proof of installation of a blocking system or proof that there is no blocking system on the market

## Procedure

You must notify the competent firearms authority of the installation of the blocking system or apply for approval of an exemption from the obligation to install the blocking system. Submit the notification or application together with the required documents.

Application in paper form

- You can request a printout of the application by e-mail at [waffenundjagd@ordnungsamt.bremen.de](mailto:waffenundjagd@ordnungsamt.bremen.de) or you can obtain a paper copy from the responsible office.
- 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

- [Kostenverordnung für die innere Verwaltung \(InKostV\)](#)
- [§ 20 Abs. 3 bis 6 Waffengesetz \(WaffG\)](#)
- [§ 37a Abs. 1 Satz 3 Waffengesetz \(WaffG\)](#)

## What deadlines must be paid attention to?

There is no deadline.

## 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)".