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Draft Firearms Control Amendment Bill 2025

SAGA REJECTS THE DRAFT FIREARMS CONTROL AMENDMENT BILL 2025 IN ITS ENTIRETY

26 November 2025

We will use every legal, civic and democratic mechanism available to prevent this Bill from becoming law

SAGA confirms that the Draft Firearms Control Amendment Bill of 2025 has now been formally released.

NEDLAC circulated the Bill yesterday providing the first complete text against which stakeholders can assess the scope, intent and implications of government's proposed changes to South Africa's firearm laws.

Note that the Bill is in Draft form and has not as yet been gazetted, but it shows that government is intent on restricting private firearm ownership, despite there being no logical or rational reason to do so.

The South African Gunowners' Association rejects the Firearms Control Amendment Bill of 2025 in its entirety. This Bill together with the previous 2021 Bill represents the most sweeping attack on civilian firearm ownership since the Firearms Control Act was introduced in 2000. It does not improve public safety. It actively undermines it by targeting the lawful, responsible and vetted firearm owning public rather than the criminal elements driving violent crime in South Africa.

After a detailed section by section

analysis, SAGA has concluded that the Bill is fundamentally unworkable, constitutionally unsound and strategically reckless. The Bill transforms firearm ownership from a legitimate and practical tool of personal protection into a narrow privilege controlled by political discretion. The Amendment Bill raises unnecessary administrative barriers, expands the power of officials to seize firearms without proper due process and introduces conditions that make lawful ownership extremely difficult for ordinary citizens.

The most damaging change is the complete rewrite of Section 13, which governs the right to own a firearm for self-defence. The new version of Section 13 demands proof of exceptional circumstances, historic attacks, long term risk, geographical vulnerability and the absence of alternative security measures. It empowers the SAPS and Minister to determine who may or may not qualify. This approach is entirely detached from the real world environment of violent crime that South Africans face every day.

Ordinary citizens, particularly women, rural residents will be placed in greater danger if this Bill passes. Criminals will not be affected. Only the law abiding will be punished.

SAGA rejects the Bill without reservation. There is no part of this Amendment Bill that can be salvaged. The document is rooted in an ideological vision that has nothing to do with

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safety, crime reduction or practical policing. It reduces lawful defensive capacity, weakens rural protection, restricts sporting and hunting activities, damages the collector community and elevates bureaucratic control above individual safety.

A Link to a Pdf of the FCAB will be placed on the SAGA website homepage at:
www.saga.org.za

SAGA will use every lawful method to prevent this Bill from becoming law

This includes: • Full parliamentary submissions
• Public mobilisation of firearm owners across South Africa • Collaboration with legal experts, civil rights organisations and safety stakeholders • Strategic media campaigns and public advocacy • Preparation for immediate legal action should the Bill be forced through Parliament

SAGA has represented the interests of South African firearm owners for more than Forty years. Our commitment to the safety, dignity and rights of law-abiding citizens is non-negotiable. This Bill threatens those rights in a direct and unacceptable manner.

We call on all South Africans to reject the Bill in total. South Africa needs practical solutions to violent crime, not symbolic legislation that disarms the responsible public while doing nothing to stop criminals.

South Africans deserve security. This Bill delivers the opposite.





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As part of SAGA's collaboration with Wildland here is the link to your free copy of Wildland magazine, November 2025.

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<https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/read/70845029/wildland-november-2025>





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For December 2025, the price per advert will be R700, and from January to March 2026 the price per advert will be R900.

All prices exclude design costs. If you need help with advert design, for an additional R400, we have an experienced graphic artist who supports this initiative and will assist.

Advert dimensions are:
15.5cm wide x 5cm high

Take advantage of this great opportunity to advertise your business, club or association to a huge audience of like-minded firearm owners.

Snippets is sent out in the last week of each month, apart from December when it gets sent out by 16 December.

All prices exclude VAT. Space is limited to four adverts per Snippets.

To book contact Gaye at the office on 031-562-9951 or saga@saga.org.za

Edition	Booking	Design for	Final	Payment
		Artwork	Artwork	
December	24-Nov-25	01-Dec-25	05-Dec-25	10-Dec-25
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by Sheriff Jim Wilson
1 November 2025

Just the other day, I headed to the gun range to get an adjustable-sight .357 Magnum revolver set up to print my chosen ammunition to point-of-aim at 25 yards. That took all of about 15 minutes. After that, I was done concentrating and spent another 20 to 30 minutes shooting steel plates at 100 yards, just for fun. It was a successful and pleasant morning.

Too often, in this busy world, we don't get to the practice range often enough, and when we get there, we don't always make the best use of our time. A person can only really concentrate for just so long. Not having practiced in a while, we may try to do too much for too long. That is when our skills suffer and the experience may become less than enjoyable.

Here's what works for me:
Before going to the shooting range, I try to identify one or maybe two things that I want to work on, and I try to pick a time to go so that I will be sharing the range with the fewest people possible to avoid distractions. Once set up, I will devote the first 15 to 20 minutes really focusing on practicing what I had

planned to work on. It is surprising how tiring real concentration can be, so I try not to overdo it.

It also helps make use of our time to incorporate dry practice into the scenario. Let's say that I'm planning to work on my trigger press. The evening before I go to the range, I'll devote some time to the trigger press through dry practice. This seems to help me focus on the same drill with live ammo the next day at the range.

But, I also don't just shoot for 15 to 20 minutes at the range and then head home. Once I'm done with that practice session, I may spend some time visiting with other shooters. Or, I'll find some fun-shooting thing to do, like the steel plates at 100 yards. In spite of the fact that we go to the range to practice a defensive shooting skill, let's don't forget that shooting is fun and we need to just enjoy it and the fellowship of other shooters when we can. So, I think it is an excellent idea for a person to give some thought to their plans for a practice session. Focus on improving the basics of defensive marksmanship, but don't bite off too big a chunk for a single range session. It's also a good idea to learn to really focus in during a short practice session, get your work done, and then set it aside. In my view, that's how you make the most of those important practice sessions.



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Lazer engraved with the simplified SAGA 40 Year logo, this strong folding knife is robust and will give years of good service.

Price: R380



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