

LICENSING & REGULATION DIVISION Blue & Red Training Guns

Blue and red training guns (training guns) are designed for law enforcement and military training purposes.

Training guns are manufactured from polyurethane, which is moulded to be an exact copy of an operable firearm and weighted accordingly. Their colour is not usually associated with an operable firearm, they have no functional components and can not be modified to discharge a shot, bullet or other missile.



Licensing & Regulation Division considers training guns to be exempt from regulation in Victoria. Therefore, a person wanting to purchase a training gun can do so without a licence, permit or approval as long as they have a lawful purpose.

However, training guns used outside of their intended purpose may cause public alarm. In these circumstances, training guns will be classified as dangerous items and any person caught possessing these devices and causing public alarm (even if unintentional) may face criminal charges.

It should be noted that changing the colour of training guns to resemble operable firearms will reclassify them as imitation firearms under the *Control of Weapons Act* 1990, requiring a Chief Commissioner of Police Approval or a Governor in Council Exemption.

