Memorandum 2007-32

Nonsubstantive Reorganization of Deadly Weapon Statutes:  
Second Revised Tentative Outline

At the direction of the Legislature, the Law Revision Commission is preparing a nonsubstantive reorganization of the statutes governing control of deadly weapons. Currently, most such statutes are located in Title 2 of Part 4 of the Penal Code (Penal Code §§ 12000-12809). The Commission tentatively plans to relocate the substance of those statutes to a new Part 6 of the Penal Code, entitled “Control of Deadly Weapons.” The sentencing enhancement provisions (Penal Code §§ 12021.5-12022.95) would be left in place, and Title 2 of Part 4 would be relabeled “Sentence Enhancements.”

The Commission has been working to develop an outline for new Part 6 of the Penal Code. Attached as Exhibit pages 1-25 is a new draft of the outline, which incorporates the decisions that the Commission made in June. See CLRC Minutes (June 28, 2007), pp. 9-10.

The most notable change is that all of the definitions now scattered throughout Title 2 of Part 4 would be consolidated at the beginning of new Part 6, in “Division 2. Definitions” of “Title 1. Preliminary Provisions.” Thus, “Division 2. Definitions” is much longer than in previous versions of the outline. See Exhibit pp. 2-6.

Another important change is that “Division 6. Sale, Lease, or Transfer of Firearms” in “Title 4. Firearms and Similar Weapons” is not divided into chapters as it was in previous versions of the outline. See Exhibit pp. 18-19. The staff is still assessing the best means of subdividing the extensive statutory material that would be placed in this division. Suggestions on this point, or any other aspect of the attached draft, would be appreciated.

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The following is a tentative outline for a new Part 6 of the Penal Code, which would contain most of the material now in Title 2 of Part 4 of the Penal Code (Control of Deadly Weapons).

The outline does not include Penal Code Sections 12021.5-12022.95, which are sentencing enhancement provisions. Those provisions would be left where they are in Title 2, and Title 2 would be relabeled “Sentence Enhancements.”

The outline also omits Penal Code Section 12078, a lengthy provision consisting of numerous exceptions to other provisions. The Commission plans to divide up the material in that statute such that each exception is stated close to each general rule it modifies. CLRC Minutes (April 2007), p. 9. It would be overly complicated to try to reflect that decision in the outline.

Under some of the proposed new headings in the outline, there is a list of “Material to be included.” Except as otherwise indicated, the statutes in each list of “Material to be included” appear in numerical order, not necessarily the order in which the material would be placed under the new heading.

Additional subheadings might be added as work on this study progresses. For example, the outline places much substantive material in “Division 6. Sale, Lease, or Transfer of Firearms” of “Title 4. Firearms and Similar Weapons.” The Commission intends to divide up that material into a number of chapters and articles, but it has yet decided the best means of doing that.

Many of the existing statutes are long and may be divided into a number of different sections. In this tentative outline, especially long sections (ones that are more than two pages long in the attachment to CLRC Memorandum 2007-17) are indicated by the symbol “☞”.

Penal Code Section 12001 consists of numerous definitions; most of its substance would be placed in “Division 2. Definitions” of “Title 1. Preliminary Provisions.” Many other provisions in Title 2 of Part 4 of the Penal Code contain or constitute definitions. These definitions will also be placed in “Division 2. Definitions” of “Title 1. Preliminary Provisions.”

Within “Division 2. Definitions” of “Title 1. Preliminary Provisions,” the definitions will be listed in alphabetical order. Whenever a defined term is used in a substantive provision to which the definition applies, the definition will be referenced in the Law Revision Commission’s Comment to that provision.
Part 6. Control of Deadly Weapons

Title 1. Preliminary Provisions

Division 1. General Provisions
[Reserved for future use — no material to be included at present]

Division 2. Definitions

Material to be included (defined terms in alphabetical order):

Penal Code § 12278(b). “.50 BMG cartridge”
Penal Code § 12278(a) & (c). “.50 BMG rifle”
Penal Code § 12028.5(a)(1). “Abuse”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(18). “Air gauge knife”
Penal Code § 12316(a)(1)(b), 2d sent. & (b)(2). “Ammunition”
Penal Code § 12301(a)(3), 2d sent. “Antique cannon”
Penal Code §§ 12001(e), 12020(b)(5), 2d sent., 12078(p)(6)(B), 12085(d)(3), 12088.8(a), 12276.1(d)(3), 12278(d), 12801(b). “Antique firearm”
Penal Code § 12001(i). “Application to purchase”
Penal Code § 12276 intro. ¶, (a)-(d) & (f). “Assault weapon”

Penal Code § 12276.1(a)-(c). Further clarification of “assault weapon”

Penal Code § 12020(c)(8). “Ballistic knife”
Penal Code § 12072.5(a). “Ballistics identification system”
Penal Code § 12001(p). “Basic firearms safety certificate”
Penal Code §§ 12001(g), 12550(a). “BB device”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(13). “Belt buckle knife”
Penal Code § 12580. “Blowgun”
Penal Code § 12581. “Blowgun ammunition”
Penal Code § 12323(c). “Body vest or shield”
Penal Code § 12355(c). “Boobytrap”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(9). “Camouflaging firearm container”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(5). “Cane gun”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(15). “Cane sword”
Penal Code § 12276.1(d)(2). “Capacity to accept more than 10 rounds”
Penal Code § 12801(a)(2). “Certified instructor” or “DOJ Certified Instructor”
Penal Code § 12126(c). “Chamber load indicator”
Penal Code § 12071(c)(1). “Clear evidence of his or her identity and age”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(24). “Dagger” or “dirk”
Penal Code § 12028.5(a)(3). “Deadly weapon”
Penal Code § 12071(a)(1). “Dealer,” “licensee,” or “person licensed pursuant to Section 12071”
Penal Code §§ 12086(a)(2), 12801(a)(1). “Department”
Penal Code §§ 12020(a), last ¶, 2d sent., 12301(a). “Destructive device”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(24). “Dirk”
Penal Code § 12801(a)(2). “DOJ Certified Instructor”
Penal Code § 12028.5(a)(2). “Domestic violence”
Penal Code § 12128. “Drop safety requirement for handguns”
Penal Code § 12301(b). “Explosive”
Penal Code §§ 12001(b)-(e), 12030(d). “Firearm”
Penal Code § 12001(a)(1), (f). “Firearm capable of being concealed upon the person,” “pistol,” and “revolver”
Penal Code § 12087.6(a). “Firearms safety device”
Penal Code § 12071(c)(4). “Firearms transaction record”
Penal Code § 12127(a). “Firing requirement for handguns”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(6). “Flechette dart”
Penal Code § 12552(b). “Furnishes”
Definition of “generally prohibited weapon” to mean any weapon now listed in Penal Code § 12020(a)
Penal Code § 12035(a)(4). “Great bodily injury”
Penal Code § 12087.6(b). “Gun safe”
Penal Code § 12070(b)(5), 2d ¶. “Gun Show Trader”
Penal Code § 12001(r). “Gunsmith”
Penal Code § 12001(a)(2), (f). “Handgun”
Penal Code § 12323(a). “Handgun ammunition”
Penal Code § 12323(b). “Handgun ammunition designed primarily to penetrate metal or armor”

Penal Code § 12001(q). “Handgun safety certificate”

Penal Code § 12020.1, 2d & 3d sent. “Hard plastic knuckles”


Penal Code §§ 12550(c), 12555(c). “Imitation firearm”

Penal Code § 12031(j)(1). “Immediate”

Penal Code § 12078(c)(3). “Immediate family member”

Penal Code §§ 12070(c)(1)(A), 1st sent, & (B), 12078(g)(1), 2d ¶ & (u)(1). “Infrequent”

Penal Code §§ 12020(c)(25), 12079(b). “Large-capacity magazine”

Penal Code § 12025(g), 12031(a)(3). “Lawful possession of the firearm”

Penal Code § 12020(c)(17). “Leaded cane”

Penal Code § 12601(c). “Less lethal ammunition”

Penal Code § 12601(a) & (b). “Less lethal weapon”

Penal Code § 12290(c). “Licensed gun dealer”

Penal Code § 12071.1(c). “Licensed gun show producer”

Penal Code § 12071(c)(3). “Licensed premises,” “licensed place of business,” “licensee’s place of business,” and “licensee’s business premises”

Penal Code § 12086(a)(1). “Licensee” (for manufacturing)

Penal Code § 12071(a)(1). “Licensee” (synonymous with “dealer” and “person licensed pursuant to Section 12071”)

Penal Code § 12020(c)(14). “Lipstick case knife”

Penal Code §§ 12001(j), 12035(a)(2). “Loaded” and “loaded firearm”

Penal Code §§ 12026.1(c), 12026.2(d), 12035(a)(5), 12036(a)(4). “Locked container”

Penal Code § 12035(a)(1), 12036(a)(1). “Locking device”

Penal Code § 12087.6(c). “Long-gun safe”

Penal Code § 12200. “Machinegun”

Penal Code § 12276.1(d)(1). “Magazine”

Penal Code § 12126(d). “Magazine disconnect mechanism”

Penal Code § 12127(c). “Malfunction”

Penal Code § 12020(c)(7). “Metal knuckles”

Penal Code § 12020(c)(23). “Multiburst trigger activator”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(3). “Nunchaku”
Penal Code § 12036(a)(3). “Off-premises”
Penal Code § 12070(c)(2). “Operation of law”
Penal Code § 12277. “Person”
Penal Code § 12071(a)(1). “Person licensed pursuant to Section 12071”
Penal Code § 12078(u)(2). “Person taking title or possession of firearms by operation of law”
Penal Code § 12001(n) & (o). “Personal handgun importer”
Penal Code § 12001(a)(1). “Pistol”
Penal Code § 12050(a)(3). “Principal place of employment or business”
Penal Code § 12031(f). “Prohibited area”
Penal Code § 12556(e). “Public place”
Penal Code §§ 12076(l)(2), 12077(g)(2). “Purchase”
Penal Code §§ 12076(l)(1), 12077(g)(1). “Purchaser”
Penal Code § 12101(e). “Responsible adult”
Penal Code § 12001(a)(1). “Revolver”
Penal Code §§ 12020(c)(20), 12323(d). “Rifle”
Penal Code §§ 12076(l)(3), 12077(g)(3). “Sale”
Penal Code §§ 12071(c)(2), 12086(d) & (e). “Secure facility”
Penal Code § 12076(l)(1). “Seller”
Penal Code § 12126(e). “Semiautomatic pistol”
Penal Code § 12276(e). “Series”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(16). “Shobi-zue”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(1). “Short-barreled shotgun”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(2). “Short-barreled rifle”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(21). “Shotgun”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(11). “Shuriken”
Penal Code § 12500. “Silencer”
Penal Code § 12281(i). “SKS rifle”
Penal Code § 12650. “Stun gun”
Penal Code § 12401. “Tear gas”
Penal Code § 12402. “Tear gas weapon”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(12). “Unconventional pistol”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(22). “Undetectable firearm”
Penal Code § 12001.1(a), 2d sent. “Undetectable knife”
Penal Code § 12126 intro. ¶, (a) & (b). “Unsafe handgun”
Penal Code § 12070(b)(5), 4th ¶. “Used firearm”
Penal Code § 12370(e). “Violent felony”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(4). “Wallet gun”
Penal Code § 12001(h). “Wholesaler”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(19). “Writing pen knife”
Penal Code § 12020(c)(10). “Zip gun”

Title 2. Weapons Generally

Division 1. Miscellaneous Rules Relating to Weapons Generally

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12020.5. Advertising sale of prohibited weapon or device
Penal Code § 12024. Bearing deadly weapon with intent to assault
Penal Code § 12590. Picketing with deadly weapon or in uniform of peace officer

Division 2. Generally Prohibited Weapons

Chapter 1. Exemptions

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), 1st sent. Exemption for antique firearm
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7). Exemption for firearm or ammunition constituting curio or relic
Penal Code § 12020(b)(8). Exemption for “any other weapon” in possession of person permitted to possess it under federal Gun Control Act of 1968
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9). Exemption for historical society, museum, or institutional collection
Penal Code § 12020(b)(10). Exemption for motion picture, television, video production, or entertainment event
Penal Code § 12020(b)(11). Exemption for person who sells to historical society, museum, or institutional collection, or for purposes of entertainment event
Penal Code § 12020(b)(12). Exemption for law enforcement
Penal Code § 12020(b)(13). Exemption for person who sells to law enforcement
Penal Code § 12020(b)(16). Exemption for transportation of non-firearm to law enforcement for disposition according to law

Penal Code § 12020(b)(17). Exemption for transportation of firearm to law enforcement for disposition according to law

Penal Code § 12020(b)(18). Exemption for possession by forensic laboratory


Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12001(l). Distinct and separate offense as to each firearm, weapon, or device violating § 12020

Division 3. Weapons Constituting a Nuisance

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12028(c)-(d), (f). Surrender of weapon constituting nuisance

Penal Code § 12029 (to the extent it states procedures applicable to specified weapons constituting a nuisance)

Division 4. Seizure of Firearm or Other Deadly Weapon at Scene of Domestic Violence

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12028.5. Seizure of firearm or other deadly weapon at scene of domestic violence

Division 5. Destructive Devices, Explosives, and Similar Weapons

Chapter 1. Destructive Devices and Explosives Generally

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12302. Use of destructive device or explosive by law enforcement, military, or firefighter

Penal Code § 12303. Unlawful possession of destructive device

Penal Code § 12303.1. Explosive or destructive device on vessel, aircraft, car, or other vehicle

Penal Code § 12303.2. Reckless or malicious possession of explosive or destructive device in public place

Penal Code § 12303.3. Use or attempted use of destructive device with intent to cause fear or harm
Penal Code § 12306. Sale or transportation of destructive device other than fixed ammunition greater than .60 caliber
Penal Code § 12304. Sale, possession, or transport of fixed ammunition greater than .60 caliber
Penal Code § 12305. Permit for destructive device
Penal Code § 12307. Destructive device constituting nuisance
Penal Code § 12308. Use or attempted use of destructive device with intent to commit murder
Penal Code § 12309. Willful and malicious use of explosive or destructive device resulting in bodily injury
Penal Code § 12310. Willful and malicious use of explosive or destructive device resulting in death, mayhem, or great bodily injury
Penal Code § 12311. No probation or suspension of sentence
Penal Code § 12312. Possession of materials with intent to create destructive device or explosive

Chapter 2. Explosive Substance Other Than Fixed Ammunition

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(3). Prohibition against concealed carrying of explosive substance other than fixed ammunition
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to an explosive substance other than fixed ammunition)
Penal Code § 12028(a) (as it pertains to unlawful concealed carrying of an explosive substance other than fixed ammunition)

Chapter 3. Handgrenades

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a metal military practice handgrenade or metal replica handgrenade)
Penal Code § 12020(a), last ¶, 1st sent. Punishment for first offense involving handgrenade
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a metal military practice handgrenade or metal replica handgrenade)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(15). Toy or permanently inoperative handgrenade
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a metal military practice handgrenade or metal replica handgrenade)

Division 6. Less Lethal Weapons
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12600. Less lethal weapon or ammunition for use by peace officer or custodial officer

Title 3. Weapons Other Than Firearms

Division 1. Blowguns
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12582. Unlawful acts relating to blowguns or blowgun ammunition
Penal Code § 12583. Use of blowgun or blowgun ammunition by veterinarian or animal control professional

Division 2. Boobytrap
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12355. Boobytrap

Division 3. Knives and Similar Weapons

Chapter 1. General Provisions
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(d). Concealed knife

Chapter 2. Disguised or Misleading Appearance
Article 1. Air Gauge Knife
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to an air gauge knife)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to an air gauge knife)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to an air gauge knife)
Article 2. Belt Buckle Knife

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a belt buckle knife)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a belt buckle knife)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a belt buckle knife)

Article 3. Cane Sword

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a cane sword)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a cane sword)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a cane sword)

Article 4. Lipstick Case Knife

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a lipstick case knife)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a lipstick case knife)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a lipstick case knife)

Article 5. Shobi-zue

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a shobi-zue)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a shobi-zue)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a shobi-zue)

Article 6. Undetectable Knife

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12001.1. Undetectable knife

Article 7. Writing Pen Knife

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a writing pen knife)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a writing pen knife)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a writing pen knife)

Chapter 3. Ballistic Knife
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a ballistic knife)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a ballistic knife)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a ballistic knife)

Chapter 4. Dirk or Dagger
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(4). Prohibition against concealed carrying of dirk or dagger
Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a dirk or dagger)
Penal Code § 12028(a) (as it pertains to unlawful concealed carrying of dirk or dagger)

Chapter 5. Switchblade Knife
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 653k. Switchblade knife
Penal Code § 12028(a) (as it pertains to unlawful possession or carrying of a switchblade knife)

Division 4. Knuckles

Chapter 1. Hard Plastic Knuckle
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020.1. Hard plastic knuckle
Chapter 2. Metal Knuckle

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a metal knuckle)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a metal knuckle)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as it pertains to a metal knuckle)

Division 5. Nunchaku

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a nunchaku)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(3)-(4). Nunchaku for school teaching arts of self-defense
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a nunchaku)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as it pertains to a nunchaku)

Division 6. Saps and Similar Weapons

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12002. Wooden club or baton for law enforcement purposes
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a leaded cane)
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a blackjack, slungshot, billy, sandclub, sap, or sandbag)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a blackjack, slungshot, billy, sandclub, sap, or sandbag)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a leaded cane)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(14). Entity selling wooden clubs or batons to special police officers or uniformed security guards
- Penal Code § 12029 (as it pertains to a blackjack, slungshot, billy, sandclub, or sandbag)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a leaded cane)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a sap)
Division 7. Shuriken

Material to be included:
  Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a shuriken)
  Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a shuriken)
  Penal Code § 12029 (as it pertains to a shuriken)

Division 8. Stun Gun

Material to be included:
  Penal Code § 12651. Unlawful acts relating to stun guns
  Penal Code § 12652. Serial number and name of manufacturer
  Penal Code § 12653. Violation punishable as misdemeanor
  Penal Code § 12654. Instruction booklet for stun gun

Division 9. Tear Gas Weapons

Material to be included:
  Penal Code § 12403. Peace officer trained in use of tear gas
  Penal Code § 12403.1. Member of military or federal law enforcement officer
  Penal Code § 12403.5. Private investigator or private patrol operator or employee
  Penal Code § 12403.7. Lawful and unlawful acts relating to tear gas and tear gas weapons
  Penal Code § 12403.8. Minor 16-years-old or older
  Penal Code § 12403.9. Custodial officers of any county
  Penal Code § 12404. Tear gas or tear gas weapons in prison, jail, or similar institution
  Penal Code § 12420. Unlawful sale, possession, or transport of tear gas or tear gas weapon
  Penal Code § 12421. Affixation of serial number and name of manufacturer
  Penal Code § 12422. Obliteration of serial number, name of manufacturer, or other identification mark
  Penal Code § 12423. Permit issued by Department of Justice
  Penal Code § 12424. Permit application
  Penal Code § 12424.5. Permit for bank or other financial institution
Penal Code § 12425. Storage of permit
Penal Code § 12426. Revocation or suspension of permit

Title 4. Firearms and Similar Weapons

Division 1. Preliminary Provisions

Chapter 1. General Provisions

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12000. Dangerous Weapons Control Law
Penal Code § 12001(k). Distinct and separate offense despite reference to “any firearm”
Penal Code § 12003. Severability

Chapter 2. Definitions

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12001.6. Violent use of firearm

Division 2. Firearm Safety Devices

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12087.5. Legislative findings
Penal Code § 12087.6. Definitions
Penal Code § 12088. Duties of the Department of Justice
Penal Code § 12088.1 Firearms safety device requirement
Penal Code § 12088.15. Prohibited acts
Penal Code § 12088.2. Minimum safety standard
Penal Code § 12088.3. Warning label
Penal Code § 12088.4. Nonconforming device
Penal Code § 12088.5. Report of incident in which child suffers unintentional or self-inflicted gunshot wound
Penal Code § 12088.6. Punishment
Penal Code § 12088.7. Effect of compliance
Penal Code § 12088.8 Limitations on application of Act
Penal Code § 12088.9. Fee
Division 3. Disguised or Misleading Appearance

Chapter 1. Miscellaneous Provisions

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020.3. Bright orange or bright green firearm

Chapter 2. Obliteration of Identification Marks

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12090. Obliteration of firearm identification marks prohibited
Penal Code § 12091. Presumption
Penal Code § 12092. Assignment of number or mark when firearm lacks one
Penal Code § 12093. Additional number or identifying indicium
Penal Code § 12094. Possession, sale, or purchase of firearm with knowledge of obliteration of identifying number or mark

Chapter 3. BB Devices and Imitation Firearms

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12550. Definitions
Penal Code § 12551. Prohibition against sale of BB device to minor
Penal Code § 12552. Prohibition against furnishing BB device to minor without parental permission
Penal Code § 12553. Failure to comply with law governing appearance of imitation firearm or specified devices
Penal Code § 12554. Advisory requirement for imitation firearm
Penal Code § 12555. Unlawful commercial activities relating to imitation firearms
Penal Code § 12556. Display of imitation firearm in public place
Chapter 4. Camouflaging Firearm Container

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a camouflaging firearm container)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(9)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a camouflaging firearm container)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a camouflaging firearm container)

Chapter 5. Cane Gun

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a cane gun)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a cane gun)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a cane gun)

Chapter 6. Firearm Not Immediately Recognizable as a Firearm

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a firearm not immediately recognizable as a firearm)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a firearm not immediately recognizable as a firearm)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a firearm not immediately recognizable as a firearm)

Chapter 7. Undetectable Firearm

Material to be included:
- Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to an undetectable firearm)
- Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to an undetectable firearm)
- Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to an undetectable firearm)
Chapter 8. Wallet Gun

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a wallet gun)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a wallet gun)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a wallet gun)

Division 4. Storage of Firearms

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12035. Criminal storage of firearm
☞ Penal Code § 12036. Storage of firearm where child obtains access and carries firearm off-premises

Division 5. Carrying Firearms

Chapter 1. Miscellaneous Rules Relating to Carrying Firearms

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12040. Carrying firearm in public while masked to hide identity

Chapter 2. Carrying Concealed Firearm

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12025. Carrying concealed firearm
   Penal Code § 12025.5. Carrying concealed firearm when in grave danger
   Penal Code § 12026. Carrying or possession of firearm at place of residence, place of business, or other private property of person
   Penal Code § 12026.1. Carrying firearm in locked container
☞ Penal Code § 12026.2. Miscellaneous exemptions from restriction on carrying concealed firearm
☞ Penal Code § 12027. Additional exemptions from restriction on carrying concealed firearm
   Penal Code § 12027.1. Identification certificate authorizing peace officer or retired peace officer to carry concealed and loaded firearm
Penal Code § 12028(a) (as it pertains to unlawful concealed carrying of handgun)

Penal Code § 12028(e). Nuisance provision inapplicable to firearm possessed by Department of Fish & Game, used in violation of Fish & Game Code, or forfeited under Pub. Res. Code § 5008.6

Chapter 3. Carrying Loaded Firearm

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12031. Carrying loaded firearm
  Penal Code § 12031.1. Rocket or other emergency or distress signaling device
  Penal Code § 12033. Certificate for carrying loaded firearm
  Penal Code § 12034. Loaded firearm in motor vehicle

Chapter 4. License to Carry Pistol, Revolver, or Other Firearm Capable of Being Concealed Upon Person

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12050. License to carry pistol, revolver, or other firearm capable of being concealed upon person
  Penal Code § 12050.2. Written policy
  Penal Code § 12051. License application
  Penal Code § 12052. Fingerprint and Department of Justice report
  Penal Code § 12052.5. Notification of applicant
  Penal Code § 12053. Duties of licensing authority
  Penal Code § 12054. Application fee

Division 6. Sale, Lease, or Transfer of Firearms

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12070. License requirement for sale, lease, or transfer of firearms
  Penal Code § 12071. Issuance, forfeiture, and conditions of license to sell firearms at retail
  Penal Code § 12071.1. Gun show or event
  Penal Code § 12071.4. Gun Show Enforcement and Security Act of 2000
  Penal Code § 12072. Prohibited and required acts relating to firearm sales or other transfers
  Penal Code § 12073. Register or record of electronic or telephonic transfer
Penal Code § 12074. Requirements for preparation of register or record
Penal Code § 12075. Duties relating to register
☞ Penal Code § 12076. Submission of firearm purchaser information to Department of Justice
Penal Code § 12076.5. Firearms Safety and Enforcement Special Fund
☞ Penal Code § 12077. Form of register and record of electronic transfer
Penal Code § 12082. Procedure for sale, loan, or transfer of firearm
Penal Code § 12083. Centralized list of exempted federal firearms licensees

Division 7. Manufacture of Firearms
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12085. Prohibition against unlicensed manufacture of firearm
☞ Penal Code § 12086. Issuance, forfeiture, and conditions of license to manufacture firearms

Division 8. Miscellaneous Rules Relating to Firearms Generally
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12023. Armed criminal action
Penal Code § 12028(b). Firearm constituting nuisance
Penal Code § 12028(e). Nuisance provision inapplicable to firearm possessed by Department of Fish & Game, used in violation of Fish & Game Code, or forfeited under Pub. Res. Code § 5008.6
Penal Code § 12081. Entertainment Firearms Permit

Division 9. Special Firearm Rules Relating to Particular Persons

Chapter 1. Juvenile
Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12101. Juvenile in possession of live ammunition or firearm capable of being concealed on person

Chapter 2. Person Convicted of Violent Felony
Material to be included:
☞ Penal Code § 12021.1. Firearm possession or control by person convicted of violent felony
Chapter 3. Person Convicted of Specified Offense, Addicted to Narcotic, or Subject to Court Order

Material to be included:

☞ Penal Code § 12021. Firearm acquisition, possession, or control by person convicted of specified offense, addicted to narcotic, or subject to court order

Chapter 4. Prohibited Armed Persons File

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12010. Prohibited Armed Persons File
Penal Code § 12011. Use of Prohibited Armed Persons File
Penal Code § 12012. Assistance by Attorney General

Chapter 5. Firearms Eligibility Check

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12001(m). Fingerprint requirement
Penal Code § 12077.5. Firearms eligibility check

Division 10. Special Rules Relating to Particular Types of Firearms or Firearm Equipment

Chapter 1. Ammunition

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a bullet containing or carrying an explosive agent)
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to flechette dart ammunition)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(6). Tracer ammunition for use in shotgun
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7), (12)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a bullet containing or carrying an explosive agent)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7), (12)-(13), (16) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to flechette dart ammunition)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to flechette dart ammunition)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a bullet containing or carrying an explosive agent)
Penal Code § 12316. Unlawful acts relating to ammunition
Penal Code § 12320. Knowing possession of handgun ammunition designed to penetrate metal or armor

Penal Code § 12321. Import, sale, or knowing transport of handgun ammunition designed to penetrate metal or armor

Penal Code § 12322. Limitations on application of ammunition restrictions

Penal Code § 12323. Definitions

Penal Code § 12324. Permanently deactivated ammunition

Penal Code § 12325. Ammunition manufactured under contract approved by government agency

Chapter 2. Assault Weapons

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12275. Title

Penal Code § 12275.5. Legislative findings

Penal Code § 12276.5. Duties of Attorney General

Penal Code § 12280. Unlawful acts relating to assault weapons and .50 BMG rifles

Penal Code § 12281. Immunity and relinquishment of SKS rifle

Penal Code § 12282. Assault weapon or .50 BMG rifle constituting nuisance

Penal Code § 12285. Registration and permits

Penal Code § 12286. Permits under specified circumstances

Penal Code § 12287. Issuance of permits by Department of Justice

Penal Code § 12288. Relinquishment of assault weapon or .50 BMG rifle

Penal Code § 12288.5. Broadcasting over police radio

Penal Code § 12289. Public education and notification program

Penal Code § 12289.5. Inspection conducted by Department of Justice

Penal Code § 12290. Special rules for licensed gun dealers
Chapter 3. Body Armor

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12360. Certification requirement for acquisition of body armor
Penal Code § 12361. Performance standards for body armor
Penal Code § 12362. Application for certification of body armor
Penal Code § 12363. Content of application
Penal Code § 12364. Schedule for ballistic testing
Penal Code § 12365. Refusal to certify body armor
Penal Code § 12366. Revocation of certification
Penal Code § 12367. Regulations
Penal Code § 12368. Purchase of body armor by Department of General Services
Penal Code § 12369. Process for defining “enforcement activities” and developing standards for replacement of body armor
Penal Code § 12370. Purchase, ownership, or possession of body armor by person convicted of violent felony

Chapter 4. Handguns

Article 1. Unconventional Pistol

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to an unconventional pistol)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to an unconventional pistol)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to an unconventional pistol)

Article 2. Handgun Safety Certificate

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12800. Intent of Legislature
Penal Code § 12801. Definitions and handgun safety certificate requirement
Penal Code § 12802. Collusion or alteration, counterfeiting, or falsification of handgun safety certificate
Penal Code § 12803. Restrictions on issuance of handgun safety certificate by certified instructor
Penal Code § 12804. Duties of Department of Justice relating to handgun safety certificate
Penal Code § 12805. Test procedure and fees
Penal Code § 12806. Content of handgun safety certificate
Penal Code § 12807. Exemptions from handgun safety certificate requirement
Penal Code § 12808. Duplicate certificate
Penal Code § 12809. Operative date

Article 3. Unsafe Handguns

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12125. Manufacture, import, sale, gift, or loan of unsafe handgun
Penal Code § 12129. Manufacturer’s certification
Penal Code § 12130. Laboratory testing
Penal Code § 12131. Roster prepared by Department of Justice
Penal Code § 12131.5. Firearm differing in insignificant respects from listed firearm
Penal Code § 12132. Limitations on application of laws governing unsafe handguns
Penal Code § 12133. Exemption for single-action revolver meeting certain specifications

Chapter 5. Large-Capacity Magazine

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a large-capacity magazine)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a large-capacity magazine)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(19)-(32). Exemptions from restriction on manufacture, sale, gift, loan, or possession of large-capacity magazine
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a large-capacity magazine)
Penal Code § 12079. Permit for possession, transportation, or sale of large-capacity magazines

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Chapter 6. Machine Guns

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12201. Acquisition and use of machineguns by law enforcement officers
Penal Code § 12220. Unlawful acts relating to machineguns
Penal Code § 12230. Permit for possession, manufacture, or transportation of machineguns
Penal Code § 12231. Application and renewal process
Penal Code § 12232. Storage of machinegun permit
Penal Code § 12233. Revocation of machinegun permit
Penal Code § 12234. Inspection conducted by Department of Justice
Penal Code § 12250. License to sell machineguns
Penal Code § 12551. Machinegun constituting public nuisance

Chapter 7. Multiburst Trigger Activator

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a multiburst trigger activator)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a multiburst trigger activator)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a multiburst trigger activator)

Chapter 8. Short-barreled Shotgun or Short-barreled Rifle

Material to be included:

Penal Code § 12001.5. Manufacture, import, sale, gift, loan, or possession of short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(1). Short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle for use by law enforcement or military
Penal Code § 12020(b)(2). Manufacture, possession, transportation, or sale of short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle when authorized by Department of Justice
Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(9) & (18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle)
Penal Code § 12029 (as it pertains to a short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle)
Penal Code § 12095. Permit for short-barreled shotgun or short-barreled rifle
Penal Code § 12096. Permit application process
Penal Code § 12097. Storage of permit and affixation of identifying number
Penal Code § 12098. Revocation of permit
Penal Code § 12099. Inspection conducted by Department of Justice

Chapter 9. Silencers

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12501. Limitations on application of silencer laws
Penal Code § 12520. Unlawful possession of silencer

Chapter 10. Zip Gun

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12020(a)(1) (as it pertains to a zip gun)
Penal Code § 12020(b)(5), (7)-(13) & (17)-(18) (to the extent those exemptions pertain to a zip gun)
Penal Code § 12029 (as its catchall provision pertains to a zip gun)

Division 11. Firearm in Custody of Court or Law Enforcement Agency or Similar Situation

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12021.3. Return or transfer of firearm in custody of court or law enforcement agency
Penal Code § 12028.7. Receipt for firearm taken into custody by law enforcement officer
Penal Code § 12030. Permissible uses of firearm in custody of law enforcement officer
Penal Code § 12032. Unclaimed firearm or firearm no longer needed as exhibit in criminal case

Division 12. Miscellaneous Duties of the Department of Justice

Material to be included:
Penal Code § 12039. Annual report by Attorney General on firearm use in crimes
Penal Code § 12072.5. Ballistics identification system
Penal Code § 12080. Pamphlet summarizing California firearms laws