

TITLE 6: CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURE
DIVISION 2: CONTRABAND OFFENSES

§ 2252. Definitions.

As used in this article:

(a) “Firearm” means any device, by whatever name known, which is designed or may be converted to expel or hurl a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion, a release, or an expansion of gas, including but not limited to guns and automatic and semiautomatic weapons, except a device designed or redesigned for use solely as a signaling, linethrowing, spearfishing, or industrial device, or a device which hurls a projectile by means of the release or expansion of carbon dioxide or air. Bang-sticks are firearms, provided that bang-sticks used for scientific purposes are not firearms if their temporary use is approved by the Governor.

(b) “Shooting gallery” means a licensed business place, other than a shooting range as defined in subsection (c), with a minimum capital investment of five hundred thousand dollars at which the general public may discharge firearms upon payment of a fee.

(c) “Shooting range” means a major development, with a minimum aggregate capital investment of two hundred fifty thousand dollars in the Commonwealth, where amenities shall include, at a minimum, restaurant, retail shop, office spaces, recreational facilities, target and range facilities for rifle and hand gun competition and other requirements consistent with hosting major international shooting competitions.

(d) “Weapons” as it applies to shooting galleries and shooting ranges means any rifle, shotgun, archery, and ammunition approved by the Department of Public Safety for use at shooting galleries and shooting ranges. “Ammunition” means any caliber of ammunition or device to be discharged from a weapon that is approved by the Department of Public Safety for use at shooting galleries and shooting ranges.

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Commission Comment: The Commission struck the figures “\$500,000” from subsection (b) and “\$250,000.00” from subsection (c) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(e\)](#). The Commission corrected the capitalization of the word “Commonwealth” in subsection (c) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(f\)](#). The Commission corrected the spelling of the word “consistent” in subsection (c) pursuant to [1 CMC § 3806\(g\)](#).