

2C:58-17. "KeepSafe" program established

a. There is established a "KeepSafe" program to encourage and stimulate the safe storage of firearms in the State of New Jersey by providing instant rebates to firearms purchasers who purchase trigger locking devices.

Under the program, a person who purchases a firearm from a retail dealer licensed under the provisions of N.J.S. 2C:58-2 shall be eligible for a \$5 instant rebate when a compatible trigger locking device is purchased along with that firearm. The licensed retail dealer shall deduct the rebate from the price of the compatible locking device in order to reduce by \$5 the cost of the device for the purchaser.

b. The Superintendent of State Police, in conjunction with the Attorney General, shall adopt guidelines in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, P.L. 1968, c.410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), to effectuate the purposes of this act.

In addition, the superintendent shall prepare and deliver to each licensed retail firearms dealer in the State the forms necessary to record and report participation in the program. The forms, which shall set forth the name, address, telephone number, State tax number and State license number of the retail firearms dealer, the name of the firearms purchaser and his firearms purchaser identification card number or permit to purchase a handgun number, the make and model number of the compatible trigger locking device purchased and the date of the sale, shall be in duplicate. One copy shall be retained by the retail dealer for his records. The other shall be submitted to the Attorney General for reimbursement. The reimbursement copies shall be submitted monthly at a time prescribed by the superintendent. The submitting retail dealer shall be entitled to a reimbursement of \$5 for each trigger locking device sold as part of the KeepSafe program. To help defray any administrative costs, each participating retail dealer shall receive, in addition to the reimbursement, \$0.50 for each valid reimbursement copy submitted.

The superintendent also shall provide each licensed retail firearms dealer with a sign to be prominently displayed at a conspicuous place on the dealer's business premises where firearms are offered for sale. The sign shall state substantially the following:

"KEEP NEW JERSEY FIREARMS SAFE.

TO ENCOURAGE NEW JERSEY GUN OWNERS
TO

STORE THEIR FIREARMS SAFELY, THE STATE
IS

OFFERING A \$5 INSTANT REBATE WHEN YOU

PURCHASE A COMPATIBLE TRIGGER LOCK
ALONG

WITH YOUR FIREARM.

REMEMBER--THE USE OF A TRIGGER LOCK
IS

ONLY ONE ASPECT OF RESPONSIBLE
FIREARM

STORAGE. FIREARMS SHOULD BE STORED,

UNLOADED AND LOCKED IN A LOCATION
THAT IS

BOTH SEPARATE FROM THEIR AMMUNITION

AND INACCESSIBLE TO CHILDREN.

NEW JERSEY'S FAMILIES AND CHILDREN
ARE

PRECIOUS--KEEP THEM SAFE!!"

History:

L. 1999, c. 255, s. 2.