

or obliterated shall be prima facie evidence that the possessor has changed, altered, removed, or obliterated the same within the District: *Provided*, That nothing contained in this section shall apply to any officer or agent of any department or agency of the United States or the District engaged in research or experimental work.

"Sec. 13. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to prohibit delivery, sale, or possession of any toy or antique pistol so constructed or in such condition as to be not usable as a firearm, except that no person shall within the District possess any such toy or antique pistol with intent to use the same unlawfully.

"Sec. 14. (a) No person, including those persons as may be exempted by subsection (a) of section 5 of this Act or exempted by the Commissioners from the provisions of subsection (a) of section 4 of this Act, shall within the District of Columbia possess, with intent to use unlawfully, any dangerous or deadly instrument or weapon, including, but not limited to, any pistol, machine gun, sawed-off shotgun, shotgun, rifle, or other firearm, or imitation pistol or firearm, or dagger, dirk, razor, stiletto, or any knife. The possession by any person, other than persons granted exemption by such subsection (a) of section 5 or by the Commissioners, or any pistol without a written permit therefor issued to him in accordance with the provisions of this Act, or of any machine gun, sawed-off shotgun, or any instrument or weapon of the kind commonly known as a blackjack, slung shot, slingshot, sandbag, switch-blade knife, gravity knife, or metal knuckles, shall be presumptive evidence of possession of such firearm or weapon with intent to use the same unlawfully.

"(b) Whoever violates this section shall be punished as provided in section 15 of this Act, unless the violation occurs after he has been convicted in the District of a violation of this section or of a felony, either in the District or in another jurisdiction, in which case he shall be imprisoned for not more than ten years".

Sec. 3. Such Act approved July 8, 1932, as amended, is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

"Sec. 18. (a) Any order or notice required by this Act to be served shall be deemed to have been served when served by any of the following methods:

"(1) when forwarded to the last known address of the permittee, as such address is recorded on the permit record on file with the Commissioners, by certified mail, postage prepaid;

"(2) when delivered to the person to be notified; or

"(3) when left at the usual residence or place of business of the person to be notified with a person of suitable age and discretion then resident or employed therein.

"(2) Any notice to a corporation shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to have been served on such corporation if served on the president, secretary, treasurer, general manager, or any principal officer of such corporation in the manner hereinbefore provided for the service of notices on natural persons; and notices to a foreign corporation shall, for the purposes of this Act, be deemed to have been served if served personally on any agent of such corporation, or if left with any person of suitable age and discretion residing at the usual residence or employed at the usual place of business of such agent in the District.

"(c) It shall be the duty of the permittee to notify the Commissioners in writing of loss or theft of any pistol for which a permit has been obtained, the loss or theft of a permit, or of any change of address from that address recorded on the permit of such permittee within forty-eight hours following such change of address or discovery of such loss or theft.

"Sec. 19. The Commissioners are authorized to delegate any function vested in them by this Act and to provide for subdelegation of any such function: *Provided*, That the Commissioners shall not delegate the authority to make regulations pursuant to the authority contained in this Act.

"Sec. 20. This Act may be cited as the 'District of Columbia Dangerous Weapons Act'."

Sec. 4. The Act entitled "An Act to consolidate the Police Court of the District of Columbia and the Municipal Court of the District of Columbia, to be known as 'the Municipal Court for the District of Columbia,' to create 'the Municipal Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia,' and for other purposes", approved April 1, 1942 (56 Stat. 190, ch. 207), as amended (§ 11-772, D.C. Code, 1961 edition), is hereby amended by adding at the end of subsection (e) of section 7 of said Act the following new clause: