

# Power limits and the law

In England, Wales and Scotland, with the commencement of the [Policing and Crime Act 2017](#), the [Firearms Act 1968](#) has been amended to define maximum power levels that Airsoft replicas are allowed to have.

Exceeding any of these limits could ultimately result in a prison sentence, depending on what has been exceeded.

In Northern Ireland, there is no specific exception for Airsoft – in this locality the [maximum is 1J](#) (as in Japan, Italy), although it is the intention of UKAPU and other organisations to resume lobbying/campaigning for a 1.3J/2.5J once the situation in Northern Ireland supports such an endeavour.

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