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INFORMATION BULLETIN

Subject:

**CENTRALIZED LIST OF EXEMPTED
FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES AND THE
CALIFORNIA FIREARMS LICENSEE CHECK
PROGRAM**

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TO: CALIFORNIA FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES (FFLS)

The purpose of this bulletin is to provide important information regarding California Penal Code (PC) Section 12083 which requires the Department of Justice (DOJ) to establish and maintain a centralized list of persons who are federally licensed as dealers, pawnbrokers, importers or manufacturers of firearms with licensed premises within this state and who are exempt from the firearms dealer licensing requirements of PC Section 12070. The list shall be known as the **Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees (CLEFFL)**. **THIS NEW LAW DOES NOT AFFECT CALIFORNIA FIREARMS DEALERS WHO ARE CURRENTLY LISTED ON EITHER THE CENTRALIZED LIST OF FIREARM DEALERS, OR THE CENTRALIZED LIST OF FIREARM MANUFACTURERS.**

Beginning January 1, 2008, pursuant to PC Section 12083, it will be unlawful for an FFL (type 01, 02, 07, 08, 09, 10, or 11) to receive firearms in accordance with his or her status as an FFL unless he/she is on one of the Centralized Lists (Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees, Firearm Dealers, or Firearm Manufacturers).

To be placed on the Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees, an applicant must:

- (1) Possess a valid federal firearms license as a dealer, pawnbroker, importer, or manufacturer of firearms and
- (2) Possess a valid Certificate of Eligibility (COE) issued by DOJ. Initial application fee is \$73. Annual renewal fee is \$22 and
- (3) Complete and submit the Application and 12070 PC Exemption Declaration for Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees (*BOF 10-07*). Initial application fee and annual renewal fee is \$115.

Additional CLEFFL application packets can be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Firearms at (916) 263-8100, or by accessing the Bureau of Firearms website at www.ag.ca.gov/firearms/Forms.

California Firearms Licensee Check (CFLC) Program

Beginning July 1, 2008, PC Section 12072(f)(1) prohibits all FFL holders (other than Type 03 or 06) from delivering, selling, or transferring a firearm (excluding curio & relic long guns) to an FFL in California unless, prior to delivery, the person intending to deliver, sell, or transfer the firearm obtains a verification number from DOJ. **THIS INCLUDES CALIFORNIA FIREARM DEALERS AND MANUFACTURERS WHO ARE ACTIVE ON THE DOJ CENTRALIZED LIST, WHO TRANSFER FIREARMS TO ANOTHER FFL WITHIN THE STATE.**

To facilitate this new requirement, DOJ has developed the California Firearms Licensee Check (CFLC) program which will allow FFLs to obtain firearms shipment verification numbers via the Internet prior to shipping firearms to any FFL in California. A FFL who does not have Internet access may obtain verification numbers from DOJ by facsimile at (916) 263-0790 or by telephone at (916) 263-8100. Additional details regarding the CFLC system will be provided in a future Information Bulletin.

If you have any questions regarding the information in this bulletin, please call the Bureau of Firearms at (916) 263-4887.

Sincerely,



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Attachment



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BUREAU OF FIREARMS



**Application and 12070 PC Exemption Declaration for the
Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees**

Business Name (As appears on FFL)		FFL Number	FFL Expiration Date		
Business Physical Address		City CA	Zip Code		
Business Mailing Address (If different than physical address)		City CA	Zip Code		
Business E-Mail Address	Business Telephone Number ()	Business Fax Number ()			
Normal Business Hours or Check if By Appointment Only: <input type="checkbox"/>					
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu		
Fri	Sat	Sun			
Local Law Enforcement Agency (Police or Sheriff Department): _____					
1. Complete Name of Licensee (must be listed on FFL)		COE Number	COE Expiration Date		
2. Complete Name of Licensee (must be listed on FFL)		COE Number	COE Expiration Date		
3. Complete Name of Licensee (must be listed on FFL)		COE Number	COE Expiration Date		
To list more than three licensees, please complete and attach an additional application.					
<i>I hereby declare that I am exempt from Penal Code Section 12070(a) firearms dealer licensing requirements because I do <u>not</u> engage in the retail sale or transfer of firearms to non-licensees. Any and all firearm sales/transfers I make (from my business inventory) are to current federal firearms licensees and are statutorily exempt as follows (check all applicable exemptions):</i>					
<u>MANUFACTURER (FFL Type 07 or 10) EXEMPTIONS</u>		<u>IMPORTER (FFL Type 08 or 11) EXEMPTIONS</u>			
___	Manufacturer to Manufacturer	12070(b)(6) PC	___	Importer to Manufacturer	12070(b)(6) PC
___	Manufacturer to Importer	12070(b)(6) PC	___	Importer to Importer	12070(b)(6) PC
___	Manufacturer to 12071 Dealer	12070(b)(7) PC	___	Importer to 12071 Dealer	12070(b)(7) PC
___	Manufacturer to Wholesaler	12070(b)(7) PC	___	Importer to Wholesaler	12070(b)(7) PC
___	Manufacturer to Out of State FFL	12070(b)(10) PC	___	Importer to Out of State FFL	12070(b)(10) PC
<u>WHOLESALE (FFL Type 01 or 09) EXEMPTIONS</u>					
___	Wholesaler to Out of State FFL	12070(b)(10) PC	___	Wholesaler to 12071 Dealer	12070(b)(12) PC
___	Wholesaler to Wholesaler	12070(b)(15) PC			
Any person furnishing a fictitious name, knowingly furnishing any incorrect information, or knowingly omitting any information on this declaration is guilty of a misdemeanor (12083 PC).					
Signature of Licensee #1 _____		Date _____			
Signature of Licensee #2 _____		Date _____			
Signature of Licensee #3 _____		Date _____			

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APPLICATION CHECK LIST and INSTRUCTIONS

Application and 12070 PC Exemption Declaration for
The Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees

Before completing your application, check that you:

- Possess a Federal Firearms License (FFL) as a dealer, pawnbroker, importer or manufacturer of firearms:
Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)
- Possess a valid Certificate of Eligibility (COE):
California Department of Justice

OBTAINING A COE:

CLEFFL applicants must take two completed Request for Live Scan Service forms to a Live Scan station. Please refer to www.ag.ca.gov/fingerprints for Live Scan locations or check the yellow pages of your local telephone book. Have the Live Scan station submit your fingerprint impressions to both DOJ and FBI. You must pay the Live Scan operator a \$32 DOJ fingerprint processing fee, a \$19 FBI fingerprint processing fee, as well as the Live Scan operator fee. (Note: The Live Scan operator fee varies by Live Scan site, and the Bureau of Firearms does not set or regulate this fee.) The Live Scan operator will enter an Applicant Tracking Identifier (ATI) number on your copy of the Request for Live Scan service form. That ATI number documents your fingerprint submission.

After submitting your fingerprints, complete the COE application form. Include your Live Scan ATI number on the application. Mail your completed COE application with the \$22 COE application processing fee to the Department of Justice at the address shown on the application. Renewal applicants do not have to submit fingerprint images.

Submitting the application packet, check that you:

- Completely fill in the application and 12070 PC Exemption Declaration for the Centralized List of Exempted Federal Firearms Licensees. **Incomplete applications will not be processed.**
- Include a check or money order payable to DOJ for the \$115 annual fee.
- Include a copy of your current FFL.

Mail completed packet to:
California Department of Justice
Bureau of Firearms - CLEFFL
P.O. Box 981118
West Sacramento, CA 95798-1118

If you have any questions, please contact the Firearms Licensing and Permits Unit at (916) 263-8100.