

Interview Questions: Legislation

Introductory

- What is your name?
- What is your current role title?
- When did you start working in this present role?
- Have you occupied any other collections-oriented roles at the Royal Armouries?

General Questions

- What do you consider to be the principal legislative restrictions on the collections of the Armouries?
- What are the key measures that the Armouries and its registrar staff implement to manage its collections in line with the requirements of offensive weapons law?
- What are the key measures that the Armouries and its registrar staff implement to manage its collections in line with the requirements of firearms law?
- What are the key measures that the Armouries and its registrar staff implement to manage its collections in line with the requirements of explosives law?
- Has the Armouries ever been required to substantially revise its collections management strategies in response to new interpretations of existing weapons law?
- Does the law in its current form suitably account for the specific needs of museums that hold collections of arms and armour?

Case Study: Impact of the *Firearms (Amendment) Acts 1997*

- How has the prohibition of most handguns by the *Firearms (Amendment) Acts 1997* shaped the Armouries' subsequent management of these objects?
- How has the influx of handguns following the compulsory surrender of 1997-1998 affected the work of the Armouries' registrar staff in the intervening years?
- What role have the *Firearms (Amendment) Acts 1997* played in the development of the National Firearms Centre as a secure repository for the Armouries' high-risk collections?