

ID Paintball

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In Germany it is not allowed to acquire, own or carry a marker until you are 18 years old, because the marker is considered "free weapon" is subject to the Weapons Act

For the purchase of a paintball marker we need a valid copy of your identity card as well as the signed instruction for handling the marker. This measure serves for registration and compliance according to German law.

Please read the information on handling the marker carefully and save the document.

Please print out the 3rd page of the document, fill it in and send it signed together with a copy of your ID card by e-mail, fax, post or MMS / WhatsApp back to us.

General handling of paintball markers

Paintball **markers are not toys**. They are weapons in the sense of the weapons law and may only be used by persons who are over 18 years old.

1. never allow a person under the age of 18 to touch or use the paintball marker
2. the use of the paintball markers is only allowed on a shooting range, in the own residential, business premises or on an enclosed property with the permission of the owner.
3. always wear a full face mask on the playing field and make sure that all other persons in this area wear a protective mask or if possible a full face mask.
4. if you lend or sell the paintball marker, in any case hand over the instructions for use to the new owner and ask him to read these instructions and notes and familiarize himself with the paintball marker.
5. When the paintball marker is not in use, always remove the CO2 capsule, CO2 cylinder or compressed air system and make sure that there are no paint balls in the paintball marker.
6. do not store the paintball marker, the paint balls, the CO2 capsule, CO2 cylinder or the compressed air system where children or unauthorized persons have access.
7. do not store the CO2 capsules, CO2 bottles or compressed air system in a place where they are exposed to extreme temperatures (i.e. also not in direct sunlight)
8. do not fill the CO2 cylinder or compressed air system if there is obvious damage to it. There is a danger to life! Contact your dealer immediately.
9. do not make any changes or manipulations to the paintball marker, the CO2 cylinder and the compressed air system.
10. Caution is required in case of rapid CO2 leakage. This can lead to frostbite.
11. do not aim or shoot at persons not wearing a protective mask.
12. only use protective masks designed for paintball (i.e. no sunglasses, scooters, motorcycles, welding, skiing or reading glasses, etc.).
13. never shoot at people below a distance of 5 metres. Danger of injury!!!
14. please never shoot at animals.
15. use only colour balls of the appropriate calibre and do not shoot foreign objects.
16. if the marker is not used, for the safety of all, replace the barrel with a
17. Close the barrel condom/ barrel plug and actuate the trigger safety/switch off the electrical marker.

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PLEASE NOTE THE LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEGAL PROVISIONS IN APPLICABLE VERSION.

Legal basis for paintball markers in Germany

The following laws must be observed for the legal use of your paintball marker:

Paintball markers are, according to the weapons law (WaffG), "compressed air, spring pressure weapons and CO2 weapons" and are legally treated in the same way (like e.g. an "air rifle"). Paintball markers are not toys but fall under the weapons law. You as a buyer are responsible for the compliance with the legal regulations!

1. **acquisition and possession of compressed air, spring-operated and CO2 weapons:**
The acquisition and possession of compressed air, spring pressure weapons and CO2 weapons under 7.5 joules, which are marked with an "F" sign, is possible without permission from the age of 18 years (Annex §2 Abs.1 und 2 i. V.m. Appendix 2, Section 2, Subsection 2 No. 1.1)
2. **carrying and transportation of compressed air, spring-operated and CO2 weapons:** The carrying of compressed air, spring pressure weapons and CO2 weapons (regardless of energy/joules) is subject to permission. A weapon is carried by anyone who exercises actual control over the weapon outside their own home, business premises or their own pacified possessions. According to § 12 Abs. 3 Nr. 2 WaffG, no permit is required for the transfer (transport) of a weapon if the weapon is not ready to fire and is transported from one place to another in an inaccessible location. This only applies if the weapon is transported for a purpose covered by the respective need or in connection with it (e.g. transport to the paintball playing field, to the home or to the paintball dealer). Simply walking around in the forest or in public with a paintball gun is prohibited! The transport e.g. on the body or in the car under the driver's seat is forbidden! The transport in a closed container (e.g. bag or gun case) in the trunk or in a closed container inside the car is allowed.

**In public with a paintball gun that is ready to fire or not secured against access
Running around or even playing is forbidden!**

3. **shooting with compressed air, spring-loaded and CO2 weapons:** Exceptions according to § 12 paragraph 4 No. 1 WaffG: Shooting outside of shooting ranges without a shooting permit is permitted by the holder of the householder's rights or with his consent in a pacified possession with firearms whose projectiles are given a kinetic energy of no more than 7.5 joules (J), provided the projectiles cannot leave the possession.
4. **safe storage of compressed air weapons, spring-operated weapons and CO2 weapons:** In general § 36 Abs. 1 WaffG applies "Whoever possesses weapons or ammunition has to take the necessary precautions to prevent that these items are lost or third parties take them unauthorized ..." Free weapons (paintball markers with an "F" are free weapons), air pressure, spring pressure or CO2 weapons with an "F" sign or gas and signal weapons with a PTB sign must be stored in the same way as cutting and thrusting weapons, so that they are secured against removal by unauthorised persons. Unauthorised or unauthorised persons for handling the above mentioned free weapons are persons who have not yet reached the age of 18. Storage in a locked container would therefore be sufficient. A safe or gun cabinet is not required.

SRS Weapons

Whoever carries such a weapon must carry the small firearms license in addition to an identity card or passport. Police officers or other persons authorized to check persons must be given the papers for inspection on request. Violations can be punished as an administrative offence with a fine of up to ten thousand euros.

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Instruction about general handling and legal bases for paintball markers

Data

Name:

First Name:

Date of Birthday:

ID card number.:

Place of residence

Street and number:

Postcode and city:

Paintball marker (to be filled in by the seller)

Manufacturer:

Type:

serial number:

The buyer was instructed on _____ about the general handling and the legal basis for the possession and use of a paintball marker.

Place, Date: _____ Signature seller: _____

Herewith I confirm the instruction about the general handling and the legal basis for the possession and use of a paintball marker.

Place, Date: **X** _____ Signature of buyer: **X** _____

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Running around or even playing paintball guns is prohibited!**