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Government of India  
Ministry of Defence  
Deptt of Def Production  
DHQ PO New Delhi- 110 011

Dated 5 Oct 2017

To,  
The Director General of Quality Assurance  
Deptt of Defence Production  
Government of India, Ministry of Defence  
DHQ PO New Delhi – 110 011

**PROOF TESTING OF SPORTING ARMS MANUFACTURED  
BY PRIVATE FIRMS IN INDIA**

Sir,

I am directed to convey the sanction of the competent authority the Proof Testing of Shot Guns, manufactured by the Private Firms in India by the Senior Quality Assurance Estt ( Small Arms) Ichapur, and Senior Quality Assurance Establishment (Small Arms) Kanpur, SQAE (A) Kirkee & SQAE(A) Jabalpur in accordance with the Rules, Regulations and Scales, prepared on the subject.

2. The following charges shall be levied by the Proof Houses mentioned in Para 1 above for various types of barrels irrespective of Chamber/ Bore size :-

S. No.	Barrel Type	Proof Type	Proof Charges per Barrel (in Rs.)
a)	SBBL	DEFINITIVE (with composite cartg)	1365.00 (Rs. One Thousand Three Hundred & Sixty Five only)
b)	DBBL	DEFINITIVE (with composite cartg)	1365.00 (Rs. One Thousand Three Hundred & Sixty Five only)
c)	DBML	PROVISIONAL	1413.00 (Rs. One Thousand Four Hundred & Thirteen only)
d)	DBML	DEFINITIVE	1413.00 (Rs. One Thousand Four Hundred & Thirteen only)
e)	SBML	PROVISIONAL	1413.00 (Rs. One Thousand Four Hundred & Thirteen only)
f)	SBML	DEFINITIVE	1413.00 (Rs. One Thousand Four Hundred & Thirteen only)
g)	All Types of Barrels not found FIT for proof	Not Applicable	606.00 (Rs. Six Hundred & Six only)

3. The cost of preservation and packing of barrels in boxes supplied by the firm, has been included in the Proof Charges mentioned in Para 2 above.

4. All Gun manufacturers shall be required to deliver Guns for Proof Testing at the Proof Houses either personally or through their agents against valid letter of authority signed over their seal.

5. In view of the change of material for weapon boxes from wood to steel, it is not possible for proof house to manufacture and supply packing boxes for barrel. However charges for repair of packing boxes per unit of ten barrel (with or without any action) will be Rs 340.00 (Rs. Three Hundred Forty).

6. The Proof Tested Gun Barrels shall be collected within 40 days from date of communication by the Proof House of the result of the proof test. Such communication shall be despatched by the Proof House by Registered Post (AD). In case any licensee fails to collect his tested gun barrels within the stipulated period of 40 days, the Proof House shall not accept further consignment of Gun barrels for proof Test until delivery of the previous consignment has been taken after payment of necessary dues. The loss / damage to the Proof tested gun barrels due to environmental condition will be borne by the firms.

7. Collection of tested gun barrels after 40 days as mentioned in para 6 above shall be treated as one default and if two such defaults are committed by a licensee within a period of 3 years, the Officer-in-Charge of the Proof House shall not accept any Gun from that licensee for Proof Testing on subsequent occasions unless the licensee makes advance deposits of charges for Proof Test & Allied Charges.

8. The firms who have been defaulters on two occasions within the period of 3 years will deposit 100% proof charges before submitting each consignment for proof testing. Any defaulter firms which (a) Deposit the dues prior to proof (b) Collect the proof tested barrels within the stipulated period and (c) Continues to perform this for three consecutive consignment or two continuous calendar years (whichever is later) may be recommended to be upgraded from defaulter to non-defaulter by the officer in charge of the proof house. The decision of the DGQA or his delegated authority in this regard will be final.

9. Labour and handling charges of four Nos of Proof Houses are as under

S. No.	Name of Proof House	Labour /Handling Charges per Unit of 20 Barrels or Part there of (in Rs.)
a)	SQAE(SA) Ichapur	4130.00 (Rs. Four Thousand One Hundred & Thirty only)
b)	SQAE(SA) Kanpur	5220.00 (Rs. Five Thousand Two Hundred & Twenty only)
c)	SQAE(A) Kirkee	6194.00 (Rs. Six Thousand One Hundred & Ninety Four only)
d)	SQAE(A) Khamaria	6682.00 (Rs. Six Thousand Six Hundred & Eighty Two only)

10. Transportation of barrel from / to station will not normally be provided to vendor. However, if demanded vehicle will be provided subject to availability. Charges will be calculated in accordance with Govt of India letter No. 76218(I)/Q/ST-11/2317/ D(QS) dated 27 Jan 2011 as amended from time to time (copy enclosed).

11. In addition to the proof & allied charges, firms are liable to pay other additional charges like Goods & Service Tax (GST) wef 01 Jul 2017 on Quality Assurance charges (Proof testing & allied charges) as applicable from time to time.

12. The amount realized on account of Goods & Service Tax (GST) wef 01 Jul 2017 shall be transferred to the respective local Taxation Office through specified challan immediately, whereas the balance amount realized by the Proof House on account of proof testing charges will be credited to Major Head 0076 Defence Services Army, Minor Head 108 Inspection Organisation.

13. The Proof charges and labour / handling charges will be made applicable wef 05 Jul 2016 date of issue and will be reviewed / revised after a period of at least Three Years i.e upto 04 Jul 2019.

14. Accounts Officer (Factories), Rifle Factory Ichapur is designated Advisor for working out the cost of the various proofs, allied charges.

15. This letter issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance vide their ID No. RF No. 1(1)/2016-IF(DS) dated 21 Sep 2017.

16. This supersedes Govt of India, MoD. Letter No. No. 62564/Sporting Arms/ DGQA/ ADM-16TC/112/D(QA)/2015 dt 05 Jul 2016.

Yours faithfully,

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