

DICTIONS WITHIN THE STATE OF MARYLAND ON POSSESSION OR TRANSFERS BY PRIVATE PARTIES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS ARE SUPERSEDED BY THIS SECTION AND THE STATE OF MARYLAND HEREBY PRE-EMPTS THE RIGHT OF SUCH JURISDICTIONS TO REGULATE THE POSSESSION AND TRANSFER OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

(B) It shall be unlawful for any dealer or person to sell or transfer a pistol or revolver to a person whom he knows or has reasonable cause to believe has been convicted of a crime of violence, or of any of the provisions of this subtitle, or is a fugitive from justice [.] ; or is an habitual drunkard, or is addicted to the use of drugs OR AN HABITUAL USER OF NARCOTICS, BARBITURATES OR AMPHETAMINES, or is of unsound mind, or to any person visibly under the influence of alcohol or drugs. ; OR TO ANY PERSON UNDER TWENTY ONE YEARS OF AGE.

(C) It shall be unlawful for any person who has been convicted of a crime of violence, or of any of the provisions of this subtitle or who is a fugitive from justice or an habitual drunkard, or addicted to the use of drugs OR AN HABITUAL USER OF NARCOTICS, BARBITURATES OR AMPHETAMINES, OR ADJUDGED MENTALLY INCOMPETENT, to possess a pistol or revolver.

#### 448. Penalty.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this subtitle UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED HEREIN shall upon conviction be fined not more than [three hundred dollars (\$300.00)] one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or [imprisonment]imprisoned for not more than [one (1) year.]three (3) years, or both.

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(A) AS USED IN THIS SUBTITLE—

(B) THE TERM "PERSON" INCLUDES AN INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, ASSOCIATION OR CORPORATION.

(C) THE TERM "PISTOL OR REVOLVER" MEANS ANY FIREARM WITH BARREL LESS THAN TWELVE INCHES IN LENGTH, INCLUDING SIGNAL, STARTER, AND BLANK PISTOLS.

(D) THE TERM "DEALER" MEANS ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF SELLING FIREARMS AT WHOLESALE OR RETAIL, OR ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF REPAIRING SUCH FIREARMS.

(E) THE TERM "CRIME OF VIOLENCE" MEANS ABDUCTION; ARSON; BURGLARY, INCLUDING COMMON LAW AND ALL STATUTORY AND STOREHOUSE FORMS OF BURGLARY OFFENSES; ESCAPE; HOUSEBREAKING; KIDNAPPING; MANSLAUGHTER, EXCEPTING INVOLUNTARY MANSLAUGHTER; MAYHEM; MURDER; RAPE; ROBBERY; AND SODOMY; OR AN ATTEMPT TO COMMIT ANY OF THE AFORESAID OFFENSES; OR ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO COMMIT ANY OF THE AFORESAID OFFENSES, OR ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO COMMIT ANY OTHER OFFENSE PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR.