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# <u>Legal insights</u>

#### Entry into force of a Decree from the Flemish Government regarding hunting 20.10.24 - FR





#### Call for evidence for an impact assessment : firearms-related crimes 01,10,24 - EN

Why: In view of a potential EU Directive around Q4 2025

- Current EU legislation contains rules on the legal possession and acquisition of firearms and rules on the legal import, export and transit of firearms. However, there is no specialised EU legislation establishing EU-wide minimum rules on the definition of criminal offences and penalties on firearms-related crimes.
- Additionally, at present, no Member State specifically criminalises the illicit manufacturing of firearms by means of 3D printing or the creation, possession and dissemination of the intellectual materials (blueprints) needed for <u>3D</u> <u>printing</u>.

#### **Judgment of the General Court - Keserű weapon** 23.10.24 - EN

- The Keserű weapon is a portable barrelled weapon which expels 'bullets', in this case <u>rubber</u> ones, by the action of a combustible propellant and therefore, it <u>must be classified as a 'firearm'</u> within the meaning of Article 1(1)(1) of Directive 2021/555.
- The Keserű weapon is <u>not designed for alarm or signalling purposes</u> and therefore does not satisfy the condition that it may be used only for that specific use, as required by point III(a) of Annex I to Directive 2021/555.
- The fact that the Keserű weapon is designed as a <u>non-lethal weapon is not a relevant criterion</u> for determining whether it is a 'firearm' within the meaning of Directive 2021/555.

#### Judgment of the Court of Justice of the EU - Lead ammunition 17.10.2024 - FR

The ban does <u>not</u> establish a presumption whereby individuals carrying lead shot in wetland areas are deemed to have discharged such ammunition.

#### **Regulation EU 2024/2865 - CLP** 23.10.24 - <u>EN</u>

Where ammunition is determined to be a substance or a mixture, it should bear a label affixed to the surface of the packaging immediately containing the substance or the mixture that is to say the inner packaging. Affixing a label to the inner packaging might however cause safety problems for the user, as the label could interfere with the correct functioning of the ammunition and could damage the firearm. Such ammunition should therefore be allowed to bear a label affixed to the next packaging layer instead of the inner packaging.

### **Industry**

# 21.10.24 - **Colt CZ Group** - capital increase (CZK 390,000) and issue of new shares - $\underline{EN}$

₹ After the new share issuance, the stake held by the majority shareholder Česká zbrojovka Partners SE equals to 51.8%, the stake held by CBC Europe S.à r.l. equals to 24.4% and free float is 23.8%.

## **Statistics**

08.10.2024 - Firearm suppressor registrations metrics are off the chart in the U.S. - EN

§ 4,857,897 in June 2024

<u>Market insights</u>

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