

OF THIS SECTION, THE BOARD SHALL PLACE A HANDGUN ON THE HANDGUN ROSTER UNLESS:

(1) A COURT, AFTER ALL APPEALS ARE EXHAUSTED, HAS DETERMINED MADE A FINDING THAT THE HANDGUN IS A SATURDAY-NIGHT SPECIAL FOR THE PURPOSE OF CIVIL LIABILITY;

(2) THE SUPERINTENDENT DETERMINES THAT THE HANDGUN IS NOT DETECTABLE BY THE STANDARD SECURITY EQUIPMENT COMMONLY USED AT AIRPORTS OR COURTHOUSES AND APPROVED BY THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR USE AT AIRPORTS IN THE UNITED STATES; OR

(3) THE SUPERINTENDENT DETERMINES THAT THE HANDGUN IS NOT OF A TYPE PRIMARILY USEFUL FOR LEGITIMATE SPORTING ACTIVITIES, SELF PROTECTION, OR LAW ENFORCEMENT DECISION OF THE BOARD SHALL BE AFFIRMED.

(e) (D) (1) A PERSON WHO PETITIONS FOR PLACEMENT OF A HANDGUN ON THE HANDGUN ROSTER SHALL BEAR THE BURDEN OF PROOF THAT THE HANDGUN SHOULD BE PLACED ON THE ROSTER.

(2) A PETITION TO PLACE A HANDGUN ON THE HANDGUN ROSTER SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING AND SHALL BE IN THE FORM AND MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD.

(e) (E) (1) UPON RECEIPT OF A PETITION TO PLACE A HANDGUN ON THE HANDGUN ROSTER, THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD SHALL, WITHIN 45 DAYS OF RECEIPT OF THE PETITION:

(1) DENY THE PETITION IN WRITING, STATING THE REASONS FOR DENIAL; OR

(2) APPROVE THE PETITION AND PUBLISH A DESCRIPTION OF THE HANDGUN IN THE MARYLAND REGISTER, INCLUDING NOTICE THAT ANY OBJECTION TO ITS INCLUSION IN THE HANDGUN ROSTER MUST BE FILED WITH THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS.

(2) IF THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD FAILS TO DENY OR APPROVE A PETITION WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE PETITION SHALL BE CONSIDERED DENIED.

(e) (F) (1) (I) IF THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD DENIES A PETITION TO PLACE A HANDGUN ON THE HANDGUN ROSTER, THE BOARD SHALL NOTIFY THE PETITIONER BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED.

(II) THE PETITIONER MAY REQUEST A HEARING WITHIN 15 DAYS FROM THE DATE THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S BOARD'S DENIAL LETTER IS MAILED RECEIVED.

(2) THE SUPERINTENDENT BOARD SHALL, WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME NOT TO EXCEED ±20 90 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING A