

6000 air weapons handed in during Police Scotland's surrender campaign.



A total of 6,000 unwanted air weapons have been handed in during the first two weeks of Police Scotland's surrender campaign.

Welcoming the huge public response, Assistant Chief Constable Mark Williams thanked everyone who has responded so far, and urged anyone who has a weapon they no longer wish to keep, or licence, to hand it in before the end of the campaign on Sunday (June 12th).

He said: "We have had a total of 6,000 weapons handed in so far, which is a fantastic response. I'd like to thank those responsible members of the public who have given up weapons they no longer wish to keep or licence.

"Remember we have specially-trained officers at 72 police stations across Scotland and there is still time to hand in any unwanted air weapons before the surrender campaign ends on Sunday."

Full details of the surrender campaign can be found on the [Air Weapons Surrender Scheme page](#).

Anyone wishing to retain an air weapon after December 31st 2016 is required to apply for a licence, or face prosecution with penalties of a fine or up to two years imprisonment.