

Court fines man RM2,500 for having imitation firearm



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KUCHING: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday fined a 22-year-old man RM2,500 in default five months in jail for possessing an imitation firearm.

Magistrate Ling Hui Chuan meted out the fine after Muhammad Nazreen Ikhmal Umar pleaded guilty to a charge under Section 36(1) of the Arms Act 1960, punishable under the same Act.

The Section provides for a maximum penalty of one year in prison, a fine of up to RM5,000, or both, upon conviction.

Muhammad Nazreen Ikhmal committed the offence at a homestay in Jalan Stakan, Kota Sentosa here at around 11.45am on Dec 31, 2024.

Based on the facts of the case, police raided the homestay where the accused was staying on suspicion that he possessed a firearm.

During the inspection, the raiding party seized several items, including an imitation firearm, a magazine clip, an ammunition container, and

several smartphones, leading to the arrest of the accused.

Investigations revealed that the accused personally pointed out the location of the firearm to the police, which he had placed on a table in the room.

The weapon was confirmed to be an imitation by the Armament Division of the Logistics and Technology Department at the state police headquarters on Jan 2, 2025.

The prosecution was conducted by Insp Nur Shafiq Nyaie Ilin, while Muhammad Nazreen Ikhmal was unrepresented by legal counsel.