

Northern Territory Police



# SHOOTERS LICENCE FOR REISSUE

## FOR APPLICANTS INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

An application for a Licence must be lodged in person and paid for at the nearest NT Police Station, or with NT Police on a Rural Patrol. All forms and information are available at all NT Police Stations or on the **NT Police Website** under [Firearm/Weapons](#). **Click on Firearm Licences, Permits & Forms to search.**

A new photograph will be taken by Police each time you lodge an application for a licence or you must supply a current passport or digital photograph.

Firearms Policy and Records Unit (FPRU) will do a full criminal history check (NT & Nationally) for every application. Ensure you answer the criminal history declaration in full and disclose all history including Juvenile and adult charges and including spent convictions.

**Note: There is no renewal system in the NT** - each and every application is a fresh application under the Act, and all supporting documentation must be provided on each occasion. This material must be current and club certificates/letters/bills etc. must be recently dated. The Licence/Permit fee **must** be paid on application.

Applications should not be mailed or emailed in directly to the Firearms Policy and Records Unit. Applications should be made in person. In special circumstances you may contact FPRU to authorise a remote application.

### ALL APPLICANTS:

You must supply copies of all supporting documentation when you lodge your application.

You must establish a **genuine reason** to shoot with each application by supplying one or more of the following:

- *A current Hunting Reserve Permit: i.e. A 'Crown Land Hunting Permit' from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics – these expire after 5 years. Available from:*

DARWIN: Energy House, Level 1, 18-20 Cavanagh St, Darwin  
Phone: (08) 8999 6435, or

KATHERINE: 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Katherine Government Centre, 5 First Street, Katherine  
Phone: (08) 8973 8661, or

ALICE SPRINGS: Ground floor, Green Well Building, 50 Bath Street, Alice Springs  
Phone: (08) 8951 9200, or

TENNANT CREEK: 33 Leichhardt Street, Tennant Creek  
Phone: (08) 8962 4515,

- Be a current member of a Sport Shooting Club and provide a recent Certificate of Support ('Certificate of A/B/C firearm club membership' - PF474 – see website) signed and dated by a nominated signatory of your Club, this is **mandatory** for any **Cat C** (semi-auto shotgun) endorsement,

- Provide proof that you have permission from the owner/manager of rural land of a suitable size (normally greater than 6000 acres) to hunt/shoot on that land.  
{Hunting or Shooting cannot be substantiated for small rural blocks such as those found in the outer environments around major population centres. The reference in the Regulations to rural land should be taken as large pastoral properties away from major population centres and towns}
- Proof that you have permission from the relevant Land Council or Community Council or, if on independent lands, the recognised traditional owner, to hunt on Aboriginal Land. It should be on Council or Community Letterhead paper and typed or printed clearly.

Letters to shoot on private property or Aboriginal Land must be dated recently, specify the property or land area to be used and show the period the permission is granted for i.e. valid for 5 years from this date or valid from 01/01/2019 - to 30/05/2025 (for example dates only) -.

**Letters from individual Traditional Owners are not acceptable.**

## **APPLICANTS SEEKING A CATEGORY H ENDORSEMENT ON A SHOOTERS LICENCE FOR OCCUPATIONAL PURPOSES**

In the case of a pilot who operates in remote areas, copies of the following must be provided:

- Pilots Licence
- Flight logs for the past 6 months showing regular flights in remote regions,
- A Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) approval to carry a firearm on an aircraft if still current,
- An NT Firearm Training and Safety Course certificate, and
- Storage arrangements for category H class firearms – see website under Storage.

In the case of other individual occupational requirements, the following must be provided instead of the pilot's licence & log sheet:

- A letter outlining the reason why you require a pistol, and the circumstances of why a firearm is not provided by your employer under a Corporate and Employee Licence.

## **FIREARM STORAGE**

It is a Licence requirement that you must have your own storage or have access to approved storage facilities. **Even if you store the firearms personally and the particulars for that firearm storage have not changed from the previous application and are already recorded with police you must;**

- For Cat AB safes - Complete a currently dated Self Declaration ('Self Declaration for storage / safekeeping of firearms' - PF491 – see website) and attach current photographs showing the entire safe, locking mechanisms and the method of securing the safe to wall or floor; bolt in points, welds and a copy of your purchase receipt for your safe if available (This is for any number of registered cat AB firearms), or
- For **new** Cat H/Cat C safes or if you have **changed the location** of your Cat H/C safe - Request your Gun Safe be inspected by signing and submitting a Permission to Inspect Premises form ('Inspection of premises' - PF482) with your application; for new or relocated **AB** safes complete a Self Declaration as above, or

Note: if your existing Cat H or Cat C safe has not been inspected for some time and or your firearms have not been recently validated then you will be required to undergo another inspection.

- Provide a currently dated letter of permission for storage with another licence holder ('Permission to store firearms notice' - PF492 – see website) for the firearm categories held.

## **NT RESIDENCY**

Current NT drivers licence with residential address displayed or other proof of NT residency such as a current utility bill issued within the last 90 days (3 months).

**For further information or application forms please ask at your local Police Station; search the Firearms Policy and Records Unit on the NT Police website or email your request to [FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au](mailto:FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au)**