



Instructions and Information for Northern Territory (NT) Firearms 'Temporary Permit'

General Instructions:

Complete this form if you are applying for the Northern Territory firearms 'Temporary Permit'.

All NT residents must lodge applications **in person** at your nearest NT Police Station.

All NT firearms licence or permit applications within the Greater Darwin and Palmerston area (Darwin, Casuarina, Palmerston, and rural areas) are to be lodged at the Palmerston Police Station during business hours (8am – 4pm Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays). All applications for licence or permit outside this area can be lodged at any NT Police Station.

Interstate applicants, if unable to lodge in person at a NT police station, can send the application by email directly to the Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au.

Applicants can apply for Category A, B, C and H temporary permits.
Applications for Category D temporary permits are only considered under special circumstances and the permits are issued on a case by case basis.
You must contact the Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) on (08) 8922 3543 between 8am and 11am Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays or email FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au for information and guidance, if you are applying for a Category D temporary permit.

If you are a representative / nominee for a business / corporate / organisation and seeking recognition of an interstate licence for a temporary period you must contact Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) on (08) 8922 3543 or FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au.

'Temporary Permits' are issued under *Section 31(1) of the Firearms Act*, to authorise the possession or use of a firearm / firearms by a person residing temporarily in the NT or
for a **current** NT licence holder permitting to temporarily possess and or use a firearm / firearms (for other reason / categories) other than listed on their **current** NT / interstate firearms licence.

Prior to completing your application, please ensure you have read through the application form, as well as the information and requirements provided below. Please refer to the information listed under relevant sections for assistance in completing each section of the application form.

See NT Police website <https://pfes.nt.gov.au/police/firearmsweapons> for more information.

A new photograph will be taken by Police each time you lodge an application within the NT. Interstate applicants may have to provide a current passport style photograph (less than a week old).

FPRU will conduct a full criminal history check (NT and nationally) for every application.

You **must** complete all the sections (write N/A where not applicable) using black or blue pen only and provide all supporting documentation. Applicable permit fee **must** be paid on application.

For clarification or enquiries, please contact Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) on (08) 8922 3543 between 8 am and 11am Monday to Friday excluding public holidays or email FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED



Instructions to complete your application

Tick appropriate box to select the type of 'Temporary Permit' application you are submitting: 'Temporary Permit' for **Individual** or for **Business**.

Section 1: Firearms Temporary Permit Type / Category

The firearms 'temporary permit' type / category you are applying for is dependent on the type of firearm or firearms that you own and / or propose to use in the NT under this temporary permit.

All applicants for a firearms 'temporary permit' must provide supporting documents justifying the 'reason' (Category A & B) and / or 'need' (Category C, D & H) applicable to the permit category.

All applicants for a temporary permit must hold a **current** NT or an equivalent **current** interstate firearms licence listing the firearm category (or categories) selected in this section.

Each category of firearm has a different level of assessment requirements that must be met prior to a permit being issued. The approval of a temporary permit is determined by the categories or types of firearms applied for in this application and the reason for which they are required.

Select the firearms category relevant to your 'reason' and / or 'need'. Tick the appropriate boxes.

Category	Firearms Type applicable to this Form
A	Air rifles Rimfire rifles, other than self-loading (semi-automatic) Shotguns, other than lever action, pump action or self-loading (semi-automatic) Shotgun and rimfire rifle combinations
B	Muzzle-loading firearms (includes Black Powder Shot Guns) Centre-fire rifles, other than self-loading (semi-automatic) Shotgun and centre-fire rifle combinations Lever Action Shotguns (Capacity 5 or less)
C	Self-loading rim fire rifles with magazine capacity of no more than 10 rounds Self-loading (semi-automatic) shotguns with magazine capacity of no more than 5 rounds Pump action shotguns with magazine capacity of no more than 5 rounds. All tranquiliser firearms (rifles and pistols)
D	Self-loading (semi-automatic) centre-fire rifles Self-loading (semi-automatic) shotguns with capacity of more than 5 rounds Pump action shotguns with capacity of more than 5 rounds Lever Action Shotguns with capacity greater than 5 rounds Self-loading (semi-automatic) rimfire rifles with magazine capacity of more than 10 rounds Firearms, other than pistols, less than 70 cm in length and capable of being concealed on or about the person Inoperable machine guns
H	Pistols, revolvers and air pistols (not including tranquiliser pistol - see Category C)



Section 2: Type of permit

Tick the appropriate box for the type of permit you are applying for.

If the type of temporary permit you are applying for is not listed, tick the 'other reason' box and write the type of temporary permit, with reference to the *Firearms Act 1997* you are applying for and provide supporting documentation. Conditions apply for other reasons. Please read the instructions below.

Under Section 31 (1) of the *Firearms Act 1997*, an applicant can apply for a temporary permit for the below mentioned authorisations:

Possession or use of a firearm by a person residing temporarily in the NT (Temporary Resident Permit) (Term: Maximum period 12 months) – Categories: A, B, C, H

If you are an interstate residing temporarily in the NT for more than three months with Category A or B firearms: mutual recognition of interstate licence is only valid for up to three months for Category A and B equivalent **current** interstate licence).

If you are an interstate resident planning to reside temporarily in the NT with category C or H firearms, you should apply for a temporary permit within 2 days. Mutual recognition of your **current** interstate licence is only valid for 2 days for Category C or H firearms.

If you are a fly-in, fly-out worker with a **current** interstate licence: above listed criteria still applies.

Note: This type of permit is only valid with a **current** 'Interstate Licence' and applicable firearms categories listed on the interstate licence.

Holder of a collector licence to use (discharge a collector's piece) a firearm possessed under the Collector Licence. (Term: Duration of the activity) - Categories: A, B, H only

For a 'Collector Licence' holder applying for a permit to be allowed to shoot a collector's piece under s31(1)(c) as part of Sports Shooting at a club.

You should submit supporting documents demonstrating your reasons to shoot e.g. current Cat H Sports Shooting Licence showing a suitable discipline.

If the 'Collector Shoot' is organised by a society, and if the society has obtained permission, individual participants (Collector Licence Holders) do not need a temporary permit provided they are members of the society.

For category C temporary permits, additional criteria applies. Contact FPRU

Note: This type of permit is only valid with a **current** 'Collector Licence' and a **current** 'Sports Shooters Licence', for the duration of the activity as listed in the supporting documentation.

Possession or use of firearms for film, theatrical productions or other artistic purposes - (Term: Duration of the activity) - Categories: A, B, C, D, H

An application for a Theatrical Permit under s31 (1) (d) can be issued to authorise the holder to possess and use a firearm for the making of a film, a theatrical production or for other artistic purposes (possess and use (discharge - Blank or Live Fire)) - further conditions apply for firearms safety and management.

This is normally provided to a business entity only (not to an individual) or to a theatrical armourer.

For category C and D permits, additional criteria applies. Contact FPRU.



Temporary possession or use of a firearm by the holder of a licence for a specified reason not covered by the holder’s licence. (Term: Duration of the activity) Categories: A, B, C, D, H

A Special Use Permit under s31 (1) (fa) of the Act can be granted to authorise the temporary possession or use of a firearm by the holder of a licence for a specific reason not covered by the holder's licence. This permit is only granted to authorise the temporary possession and use of a firearm for a specific period to cover a 'short term' need or activity for which the applicant would not otherwise qualify for a normal licence.

Exceptions

Under s92 of the *Firearms Act*, an equivalent ‘Interstate Licence’ is recognised in the NT for competitors in approved shooting competitions. These competitors do not require an NT permit or licence to be granted / issued.

This is applicable only for the approved (nominated) events, dates or attendances at specific clubs or club events as recognised by the Commissioner..

Section 3: Genuine Reason / Need

All applicants are required to provide a genuine reason (Category A & B) and / or need (Category C, D & H) supporting their application for the temporary permit.

For ‘Theatrical Enactment’ and ‘Special Use Permit’, you must also provide justification and supporting documentation i.e why a certain category of firearm is needed.

Please refer to additional information provided below to help you to fill in this section.

Tick the appropriate box to select your ‘reason’.

Note the type / category limitations available (in brackets) for each ‘reason’.

Reason (Normal Category limitation)		
Animal Welfare (ABC)	Museum Display (ABCH)	Sports Shooting (ABCH)
Business or Employment (ABH)	Occupational Requirements (AB)	Vertebrate Pest Control (AB)
Firearms Collector (ABH)	Primary Production (ABC)	Theatrical Enactment (ABH)
Instruction in Firearms Use (ABCDH)	Recreational Shooting / Hunting (AB)	Special Use Permit (ABCDH)

Approval by exception only: If you are seeking approval for a ‘Temporary Permit’ for additional type / category of firearms not listed above, for e.g. Business or Employment (ABCDH) or Theatrical Enactment (ABCDH) you must contact Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) on (08) 8922 3543 (8am to 11am excluding public holidays) or email FirearmsRegistry@pfes.nt.gov.au.

Section 4: Duration required for the NT Firearms ‘Temporary Permit’

Specify the duration or period you require the temporary firearms permit. Conditions apply.

Ensure the period covers entry and exit into the NT e.g.travel period and also consider any additional time periods if required for your temporary permit. Provide supporting document as required.

A maximum period of 12 months applies for ‘Temporary Resident Permits’.



Section 5: Personal Details

Provide your **current** personal details (name, date of birth, sex, place of birth) in the boxes provided.

You must provide 100 points of identification along with this application.

Refer to PF490 – Proof of Identity form to select the appropriate documents accepted for 100 points. Complete PF490 and attach to this application form.

Tick appropriate box to select if you have ever changed your name and if you are known by any other name. If you select 'yes' for either question you must give details in the box provided.

If you have ever legally changed your name, you must provide a certified copy of your marriage certificate, change of name certificate or birth certificate that includes the schedule of any name changes.

A firearms temporary permit will only be issued in your full legal name.

Any changes to the particulars or details provided in this application should be communicated to FPRU within 10 working days.

Section 6: Licence Details

Your Drivers' licence and firearms licence should be **current and valid**.

Provide your **current** drivers licence number, issuing state and expiry date.

Provide your **current** firearms licence number, issuing state and expiry date.

Section 7: Applicants Contact Details

Provide your **current** contact telephone details and email address. Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) will use these contact details for all communications related to your firearms temporary permit and if additional clarification or further information is required.

Section 8: Applicants Current Residential Address Details

Provide your **current** residential address and postal address including postcode. Applicable to both NT and interstate applicants. You should provide proof of address: e.g. drivers licence, electoral enrolment or letter from employer (Not more than twelve months old).

If your **current** residential address and postal address are the same, indicate "as above" in the **current** postal address box.

Section 9: Address whilst in NT (For interstate applicants only)

Provide your temporary NT residential address and postal address including postcode.

If temporary NT residential address and postal address are the same, fill in "as above" in the postal address box.

Section 10: Business / Corporate / Employer Details

Provide your **current** Employer / Occupation / Business (Corporate) details.

Fill in your business or employer's name, contact details. email and physical address including postcode. Please do not provide a PO Box.

For Business / Corporate applicants: Provide a letter from the employer (where applicable) supporting your reason and / or need and supporting documentation showing your 'employee nominee' details.



Section 11: Storage and Safekeeping of Firearms

It is a requirement for issuing a 'temporary permit', that safe storage be provided at the time of the application. 'Storage and Safekeeping' of firearms is a requirement for granting a temporary permit and you must have approved storage facilities or have access to an approved storage facility for the type of firearms you are applying for to be eligible for a 'temporary permit'.

Storage and safekeeping of firearms is every firearm owner's responsibility.

Read the NT 'Storage and Safekeeping of Firearms' information sheet for more information.

When firearms are not actually being used or carried, they must be stored in a locked receptacle that complies with the *Firearms Regulations (Schedule 2 and 3)*.

Ammunition for firearms should be stored in a locked container that is kept separate from the safe or in a separate locked compartment within the gun safe.

You MUST provide one or more of the following supporting documents for storage:

For self-storage (Category A and B firearms):

If you are storing your firearms in your own safe.

Complete a Self-Declaration (evidence of own storage) 'Self-Declaration for Storage and Safekeeping of Firearms' - PF491 and attach **current** photographs showing the entire safe, locking mechanisms and method of securing/bolting in points to the wall or the floor and any other security details supporting your application.

OR

Provide a letter of permission for storage with a **current** licence holder or a dealer ('Permission to Store Firearms Notice' - PF492) for the firearm category held. The storage should be an approved storage for the category / type of firearm.

OR

Request your gun safe to be inspected by signing and submitting a 'Permission to Inspect Premises' - PF482 form with your application.

For self-storage (Category C, D or H firearms):

If you are storing your firearms in your own safe for a Category C, D or H firearms licence. Request your gun safe to be inspected by signing and submitting a 'Permission to Inspect Premises' - PF482 form with your application (if not previously approved or inspected by the Police).

Storage arrangements by Interstate Visitor (Complete and attach a Statutory Declaration):

Interstate Visitors making separate arrangements for firearms storage that complies with or exceeds NT firearms storage requirements, not covered above, should describe these arrangements in a Statutory Declaration and attach it to the application.



Section 12: Permission to Shoot

You must establish a 'Reason / Need' for each application. You can do this by supplying information / documentation for at least one of the following reasons (You can submit more than one reason):

Category AB Interstate visitor (Staying longer than three months and less than twelve months):

Provide evidence of short term residency e.g. A letter from your employer or contract from your employer stating the period of employment in the NT.

Category H Interstate visitor (Visiting the NT and has invitation to shoot at NT clubs):

Provide evidence of invitation / permission to shoot at NT clubs.

Applies to Category H Sports Shooting only.

Visiting for Scientific or Educational work e.g. Specimen Collection

Provide proof by way of official letter or contract showing the nature of scientific / education work undertaken in the NT and why firearms are required.

List the type / category of firearms required and the period of the study / activity / program where firearms are required.

Interstate Firearms Instructor (Temporarily instructing in the NT):

Provide proof by way of letter or contract detailing who you are contracting with, where the instructions will take place and when (period: provide the starting and end dates).

NT Licence Holders - Category C / H Sports Shooting:

Provide evidence of invitation / application to compete in Interstate / Overseas Competitions where you are disadvantaged in your practice methods and sessions by being restricted to current NT ammunition limits of loading.

Other or reason (provide details)

Specify a 'Reason and / or Need' and provide justification along with supporting documentation.

Note:

For 'Theatrical Permit': The application must be from a commercial production by a 'corporate entity' i.e. a registered theatre or a film production company and

- nominate a licenced person (corporate licence) or a theatrical armourer as nominee and
- demonstrate a need for a real firearm rather than an imitation firearm or stage prop.
- Firearms must be non-operational (deactivated or temporarily deactivated unless there is a need to fire blank cartridges).
- Must provide supporting documentation showing adequate safeguards for safe handling of firearms and have appropriate safety and storage facilities.

Individual actors do not need permits to use firearms.



Section 13: Firearms details

List details of all the firearms you are seeking to possess or use under this temporary permit. Refer to the examples. Select 'Action Type' code based on the 'Firearm Type' and 'Operation Type' codes listed below:

Particulars of Firearms for which permit is required							
Category	Make / Brand	Model	Serial Number	Action Type	Calibre	Capacity	Barrel Length (Cat H only)
A	Winchester	101XTR	K123456	SUO Shotgun / Under & Over	12 Gauge	2	N/A
B	Taurus	Circuit Judge	HR4567	RRC Rifle / Revolving Cylinder	45 Long Colt / 410gauge	5	N/A
C	BRNO	581	12345	RSA Rifle / Semi-automatic	22 Long Rifle	8	N/A
H	Smith & Wesson	28	S203955	PRV Pistol / Revolver	357 Magnum	6	100mm

FIREARM Action Type CODES

R Rifle	B Bolt	A Action
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Firearm Type		Operation Type	
R	Rifle	AF	Arrow Firing
S	Shotgun	AR	Air or Gas Operated
P	Pistol	BA	Bolt Action
C	Combination	BP	Black Powder / Percussion
M	Miscellaneous	BR	Break Action (Refers to RIFLES ONLY, not for Shotguns)
		CA	Cannon
		DB	Double Barrel (RIFLES & PISTOLS ONLY, not for Shotguns)
		HK	Humane Killer (Miscellaneous)
		LA	Lever Action (Repeating Rifles, not a single shot Martini style which are RSS)
		MA	Major Part
		MG	Machine Gun
		NT	Net Gun (Miscellaneous)
		PA	Pump Action
		PB	Paint Ball
		RC	Revolving Cylinder
		RV	Revolver
		SA	Semi-Automatic
		SB	Single Barrel (Shotgun)
		SD	Side by Side (Shotgun)
		SS	Single Shot (Rifle)
		TB	Three Barrel (Combination)
		TR	Tranquilliser
		UO	Under & Over (Superposed)

NOTE: A Rifle Lever Action (RLA) is a repeater not a single shot rifle (RSS) which may use a bolt or a lever to operate but can only fire a single shot – no magazine.



To measure a Revolver Barrel – open the cylinder (do not measure cylinder length and include it) measure from in front of the cylinder to muzzle - include any permanently fixed barrel extensions.

To measure a Pistol Semi-Automatic – pull back slide or remove barrel so you can measure from breach to muzzle or put rod down barrel and measure from face of bolt to muzzle - include any permanently fixed barrel extensions.

To measure Pistol Single Shot – break open or pull bolt back measure from breach to muzzle or put rod down barrel and measure from face of bolt to muzzle - include any permanently fixed barrel extensions.

Section 14: Information Disclosure

All applicants **must** answer all questions. The questions are asking about any criminal history, mental health history and Domestic, Personal or Apprehended Violence Orders (DVO, FVO or AVO) in which you were the defendant. You must answer all questions truthfully.

National checks will be undertaken during the adjudication process and if you are found to have answered the questions untruthfully your licence will be refused and you may face criminal charges.

You must disclose all DVOs / PVOs/ AVOs, even if they have been withdrawn or are no longer in force. You must disclose all court outcomes where there has been a finding of guilt, even where no conviction was recorded. If you have been 'fined' as a result of a court appearance, this must be disclosed.

If you are unsure about any of these questions select 'Yes'.

Police 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 youth offences, adult charges including spent convictions.

100 PENALTY UNITS OR IMPRISONMENT FOR 2 YEARS FOR FALSE OR MISLEADING STATEMENTS.

Section 15: Privacy Disclosure

Information is authorised to be collected under Section 9 of the *Firearms Act* and then shared with other Law Enforcement Agencies under the exemption in Section 70(a) of the *Information Act* (including the use of facial imagery to match with other police intelligence to detect/investigate the commission of offences).

Having difficulty understanding?

You can use an interpreter service if you are having difficulty understanding the questions.

You can contact the Interpreting and Translating Service NT in person and by mail, email or phone:

Interpreting and Translating Service NT

Ground Floor RCG House
83-85 Smith Street
Darwin NT 0801

GPO Box 4621
Darwin NT 0801
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