

Category H Sports Shooter's Permit Information Sheet

Northern Territory Firearms Act 1997

Read the information sheet before completing your application.

Where to lodge your application

Application for a NT Sport Shooter's Permit must be lodged in person at a NT Police station. An application cannot be mailed or emailed to the Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU).

All NT firearms 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 (8:00am-5.00pm Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays). All firearms applications outside this area can be lodged at any NT Police station.

There is no renewal system in the NT

Every application is a new application under the <u>NT Firearms Act 1997</u> (the Act), and all supporting documentation must be provided on each occasion.

Any application for a re-issue of an expiring permit should be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to the permit expiration date.

General information

- this permit authorises a person to use under supervision a category H firearm for sports shooting at an approved firearms club
- provide a Certificate of Firearm Club Membership' PF474A endorsed by the club
- applicants may apply for a Category H Sports Shooter's licence after holding a Sports shooters permit for 3 months
- the permit is valid for 6 months
- all sections of the application must be completed
- provide all supporting documentation at the time of submission
- incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Proof of NT residency

To be eligible for a NT Category H Sport Shooter's Permit, you must

- be a permanent resident of the NT; and
- provide proof of residency:
 - current NT driver licence
 - o utility bill (no more than three months)
 - o electoral enrolment with current residential address displayed.

Firearm categories

Category H firearms are only valid for Sports shooters permit. More information on firearm categories can be found at <u>Firearms Categories</u>.

Information disclosure

All applicants must answer all questions about any criminal history, mental health history, and domestic violence in which you were involved.

- you must answer all questions truthfully
- you must disclose all DVOs/PVOs/AVOs, even if they have been withdrawn or are no longer in force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
- disclose all history including youth offences and all adult charges including spent convictions.

If you are unsure about any of these questions select 'Yes'. National checks will be undertaken during the adjudication process and if you are found to have answered the questions untruthfully your application will be refused and you may face criminal charges.

How long it may take to process your licence

It may take up to 4 to 6 weeks for your application to be processed. To avoid delays:

- ensure your application is complete
- confirm all information is correct
- check all required supporting documents are provided

What you need to bring

- must provide 100 point proof of identity
- evidence of NT residency
- certificate of Firearm Club Membership PF474A
- record or participation OR letter of explanation as per record of participation (if required)
- parental / guardian letter of consent (under 18)
- documents relating to Information disclosure section.

Need an Interpreter service?

You can use an interpreter service if you are having difficulty understanding these questions. You can contact the 'Interpreting and Translating Service NT' by phoning: (08) 8999 8506 or 1800 676 254

Need assistance with your application?

For clarification or enquiries, please contact the 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



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