

# Antique Firearms Collector Licence Information Sheet

Northern Territory Firearms Act 1997

# Read the information sheet before completing your application.

# Where to lodge your application

Application for a NT firearms licence 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 licence 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–5.00pm Monday to Friday, excluding public holidays). All applications for a licence 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 licence should be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to the licence expiration date.

#### General information

- a signed letter must be accompanied with the application outlining:
  - o reason to possess an antique firearm
  - o significant historical or sentimental lineage
  - o intended theme
  - category
  - type
  - period
  - style
- an Antique collectors licence authorises the holder to possess and display firearms of a category specified and were manufactured before 1st January 1900
- applicants are required to complete a Firearms Training and Safety Course (FTSC). Approved training providers can be found at FTSC providers
- if you would like to collect modern firearms, you must apply for a collectors licence
- there is no fee for this licence and approved for the life of the licence holder
- all sections of the application must be completed
- incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- provide all supporting documentation at the time of submission
- payment must be made at the time the application is submitted.

#### Collectors association

An applicant for, or holder of, an Antique firearm Collectors licence must be

- a member of an approved society or club the members of which collect firearms
- If you cease to be a member of an approved society or club your licence will be revoked.

The only approved societies in the NT are the Arms Collectors Association of the NT [ACA-NT] (<a href="mailto:secretary@acant.org.au">secretary@acant.org.au</a>) or the Territory Arms Guild [TAG] at SSAA Darwin (<a href="mailto:secretary@ssaadarwinbranch.com.au">secretary@ssaadarwinbranch.com.au</a>).

#### **Proof of NT residency**

To be eligible for a NT firearms licence, you must

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

#### Firearms categories

The licence category you are applying for is dependent on the type of firearms that you own, propose to acquire or use. Select the firearms category relevant to your 'Genuine Reason' and/or need. More information on firearm categories can be found at <u>Firearms Categories</u>.

### **Training**

It is a requirement that you must complete a Firearm Training and Safety course and provide a copy of your certificate. Approved training providers can be found at <u>FTSC providers</u>.

# Storage and safekeeping of firearms

The applicants premises must comply with the storage and safe keeping required as specified for an Antique firearms collector licence under the NT *Firearm Regulations Act 1997*. Complete a Permission to inspect premises form (PF482) and attach to the application.

Refer to <u>NT Firearms Regulations 1997</u> Part 3, Section 25AA for further information on Storage of antique firearms.

#### 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.

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#### 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

- a signed letter outlining the reason for applying for an antique collectors licence
- must provide 100 point proof of identity
- evidence of NT residency
- copy of current membership of approved historical firearms collector society or club
- a copy of current FTSC certificate
- documents relating to Information disclosure section
- storage and safekeeping form.

#### 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 Firearms Policy and Recording Unit on (08) 8922 3543 between 8 am and 11am Monday to Friday excluding public holidays or email <a href="mailto:firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au">firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au</a>.