



COLLECTORS LICENCE INFORMATION & REQUIREMENTS

A Firearm Collectors Licence authorises the holder to possess and display only firearms of a category specified, and must only collect firearms:

- as curiosities or ornaments, or
- for their historic or artistic or mechanical uniqueness.

In order to qualify for a Firearm Collectors Licence you must produce evidence to the Commissioners satisfaction **every time you apply or reapply** that you have a genuine reason for the licence and for possessing and collecting firearms. You will also be expected to complete a firearm safety course.

An applicant for, or holder of, a Firearm Collectors Licence must be a member of an approved society or club the members of which collect firearms. The only approved society at this time is the Arms Collectors Association of the NT [ACA-NT] - 0413727133 or secretary@acant.org.au. If you cease to be a member of ACA-NT your licence will be revoked.

Normally collectors licences will only be issued for categories A, B, C & H – not Category D firearms. Category D firearms may only be collected on specifically accredited licences approved on a case by case basis after being a Collector for more than 5 years with a '**student of arms**' endorsement.

This licence will not permit the collection of **Category H (handguns) manufactured after 1st January 1947** – unless the applicant is endorsed by the Arms Collectors Association of the NT as a '**student of arms**'.

A person may be considered to be a '**student of arms**' if the person:

- is the holder of a firearms collector licence,
- can demonstrate regular attendance at meetings and participation in displays held by the society,
- can demonstrate that the person's firearms collection has a thematic structure and historical or commemorative value,
- possesses a research library and/or contributes to the society's literature on the theme of the collection held, and
- is, and has been for at least 12 months, a member of an approved historical firearms collector's society and that society recognises the person to be a **student of arms**.

The following documentation is required in support of your application every time you apply:

- A copy of your **current Arms Collectors Association Card** and where applicable that needs to have the 'student of arms' endorsement; **and**
- A letter outlining the reason for wanting the Firearm Collectors Licence which outlines the theme and/or the structure and historical or commemorative value of the proposed collection. **A current, dated and signed comprehensive theme letter is to be supplied with each application.**

Your premises must comply with the storage and safe keeping requirements as specified for the collector's licence under the *Firearms Act*. To ensure compliance police will inspect on each application or on an as required basis. *Fill out and attach a PF482 – Permission to Inspect Premises.*

In order to prevent any delays in processing your application, please ensure that you provide all of the required documentation in support of your application. To reapply for a new collectors licence do so well before your current licence expires and include a self-audit of your collectors firearms.

For further information, please search the Firearms Policy and Recording Unit (FPRU) on the NT Police website or email your request to firearmsregistry@pfes.nt.gov.au.