

FIREARMS REGISTRY

Operate Safari Tour Permit

This FACT sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining an Operate Safari Tour Permit - clause 59 of the *Firearms Regulation 2006*.

Persons wishing to operate safari tours in NSW must obtain a permit authorising possession and use of firearms for this activity.

What does an Operate Safari Tour Permit authorise?

This permit authorises the possession and use of category A and B firearms by the permit holder only for the purpose of operating organised safari tours in NSW on land for which prior approval from the land owner has been obtained.

All participants must hold:

- * A NSW Category A or B firearms licence issued for the genuine reason of Recreational Hunting/Vermin Control or the equivalent interstate licence, OR
- * A NSW issued Minor's Firearm Training Permit or the interstate equivalent, OR
- * An Overseas Visitor Safari Tour/Hunting Permit. The Overseas Safari Tour/Hunting permit will only be issued to overseas visitors over the age of 18 years.

Separate permits are required for, and issued by, each State and Territory of Australia.

Who can apply for this type of permit?

This permit can be issued to an individual or a business. Employees of the business may also be authorised by this permit.

How much will my permit cost?

The prescribed fee for this permit is \$500.

Individual Permit - payment is made at the RTA when your photo permit is produced.

Business Permit - payment must accompany the application. You may pay by cheque or money order made payable to the Firearms Registry or by filling out the credit card details on the reverse of the application form.

What is the term of the permit?

The permit will be issued for a maximum term of 5 years.

On what land can the safari tour operate?

You must obtain, and produce evidence of, prior written permission from the owner of any land on which you propose to conduct the safari tours.

Do I need to do anything prior to lodging my application?

Yes. If you have never held a firearms licence or permit in NSW, or you do not currently hold an equivalent issued firearms licence or permit interstate, you are required to complete a firearm safety training course for longarms. Include the completed certificate with your permit application.

For training providers contact: The Firearms Safety Training Council - 02 94863077, The Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) - 1300746683, the Department of Primary Industries, Game Licensing Unit - 02 63913750, your nearest firearms club or the NSW Firearms Registry.

What about safe storage?

You must comply with the safe keeping requirements of the *Firearms Act 1996* in relation to your firearms. See FACT Sheet 'Safe Storage Level One - Category A & B Requirements'.

What about employees?

Employees to be listed and authorised by this permit (in addition to the permit holder) must complete a P635 'Application for a Person to be Authorised on a Firearms Permit' form (separate form for each person); and

- * Proof of identity totalling 100 points must be provided (if the person does not hold a current licence or permit).
- * Firearm safety training course for longarms (if applicable).

How do I apply for a Operate Safari Tour Permit?

You must complete the P634 'Application for a Firearms Permit' form and the 'Operate Safari Tour Legitimate Reason' form and where applicable provide any supporting documentation. Please see the reverse of this FACT Sheet for instructions on how to complete the P634 form.

Instructions for completing the Firearms Permit Application Form

FIREARMS PERMIT APPLICATION FORM (P634)

NEW APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION

Mark appropriate box (new application or reapplication) and insert any previous or current firearms licence or permit number.

SECTION A - PERMIT TYPE

From the drop down list select the type of permit you wish to apply or reapply for. If the permit is not listed in the drop down list, type in the space provided of the permit you wish to apply for.

SECTION B - NOMINATED PERSON/BUSINESS OR NOMINATED PERMIT HOLDER/INDIVIDUAL

Insert your full name, date of birth, sex, NSW drivers licence (if held), contact phone numbers, email address and supply details if you have been known by any other names.

SECTION C - RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Insert your full residential address in this section.

SECTION D - POSTAL ADDRESS

If the postal address is the same as the residential address, mark the box. If your postal address is different to your residential address, insert your postal address in this section.

SECTION E - BUSINESS, CLUB OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY DETAILS

If this application is being made by a Business, Club or Government Agency, provide details in this section and attach supporting documentation.

SECTION F - SAFEKEEPING ADDRESS OF FIREARMS

If the safekeeping address is the same as the residential address, select 'YES' in the box. If your firearm safekeeping address is different to your residential address, insert the address in this section.

SECTION G - PERSONAL HISTORY

Answer each question by selecting a 'YES' or 'NO' from the drop down list. If you answer 'YES' to any question, provide details as an attachment.

SECTION H - DECLARATION

The application must be signed and dated by the applicant.

SECTION I - FEE

The prescribed fee for this permit is \$500.

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Business Permit - payment must accompany the application.

RELATED INFORMATION

See FACT Sheets:

'100 Point Identification',

'Safe Storage Level One - Category A & B Requirements',

'Transportation of Firearms'.

Firearms Registry

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Where can I find more information?

The information provided in the FACT Sheet is for general guidance only. Applicants and licensees should familiarise themselves with the *Firearms Act 1996* and the *Firearms Regulation 2006*, which are available on the NSW Legislation website - www.legislation.nsw.gov.au.



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