



# FIREARMS REGISTRY

## Retrieving Trial Permit

This FACT sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining a Retrieving Trial Permit - section 28(g) of the *Firearms Act 1996*.

Approved clubs wishing to conduct retrieving trials in NSW must obtain a permit authorising possession and use of firearms for this purpose.

### What does a Retrieving Trial Permit authorise?

This permit authorises a person, on behalf of a club affiliated with the Australian National Kennel Council, to conduct organised activities involving the possession and use of a firearm for the purposes of retrieving trials for dogs.

The permit also authorises possession of non-prohibited firearms for the purpose of enabling other persons (club members) to participate in retrieving trials.

### What is a retrieving trial?

A retrieving trial is an event at which competitions for the working of registered gundogs are conducted, to determine their relative merits in the field under conditions which closely emulate those which would be found whilst shooting. An integral aspect of this is the use of shotguns to discharge primers and the retrieval by the dog of an item.

### What firearms can be used for the retrieving trial?

Category A shotguns only. The firearms must be registered to the permit. Primers only are discharged.

### What is the term of the permit and how much will my permit cost?

The permit will be issued for a maximum term of 5 years and the prescribed fee for this permit is \$75. Your payment must accompany the application.

### What restrictions apply to this permit?

Only firearms registered to the permit may be used for retrieving trial activities and primers only may be used (not live ammunition).

Possession and use of a firearm must be conducted under the supervision of the permit holder or other person authorised by this permit.

Persons under 12 years of age cannot possess and use firearms for retrieving trial activities. A Minor (persons aged 12 - 18 years) may possess and use firearms only if written consent is obtained from the parent/legal guardian. A Minor must remain under the direct supervision of the permit holder, or other person authorised by the permit, at all times.

This permit will only be issued if the Commissioner of Police is satisfied that the activities are conducted with proper regard to public safety. The permit holder must allow police, or other authorised persons, to inspect the location at any time.

### 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 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 available on the Firearms Registry internet site.

### What about other persons to be authorised on this permit?

Persons 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 (a 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).
- \* The appropriate safety training course must be completed.

### How do I apply for a Retrieving Trial Permit?

You must complete the P634 'Application for a Firearms Permit' form and the 'Retrieving Trial 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 relevant to this application. If the permit is not listed in the drop down list, enter the type of permit you require in the space provided.

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

Insert your full name, date of birth, gender, 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 \$75. Your payment must accompany the application.

### RELATED INFORMATION

See FACT Sheets:

'100 Point Identification',

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

## Firearms Registry

### Address

Locked Bag 1  
Murwillumbah NSW 2484

### Telephone

1300362562

### Interstate

02 66708590

### Fax

02 66708558

### Email

firearmsenq@police.nsw.gov.au

### Website

[www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms](http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms)

## 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](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au).



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