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# FIREARMS REGISTRY

## Prohibited Weapons Overseas Competitor Permit

P 638

*All persons wishing to possess or use a prohibited weapon in NSW must be authorised to do so by a permit.*

*This FACT Sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining an Overseas Competitor Permit - clause 17 of the Weapons Prohibition Regulation 2009.*

### **What does the Overseas Competitor Permit authorise?**

This permit authorises possession and use of a prohibited weapon to which the permit relates for the purpose of competing in a competition conducted in NSW by an approved sporting organisation.

This permit also authorises possession and use of the prohibited weapon in NSW for purposes connected with the competition.

### **Who can apply for this permit?**

A person who is not a resident of Australia and who intends to visit NSW for competition purposes.

### **What is the term of the permit?**

The permit will be issued one day prior to your arrival in NSW and will expire the date of your departure from NSW. The permit may be issued either before arrival in NSW or after arrival.

### **How much will the permit cost?**

The prescribed fee for this permit is AUD\$127.

Your payment must accompany the application. You may pay by cheque or money order made payable to the NSW Police Force or by filling out the credit card details on the reverse of the application form.

### **What kind of prohibited weapons are authorised by this permit?**

There are no restrictions on the type of prohibited weapon which may be authorised by this permit.

However, you must be able to prove that you are authorised in your country of residency to possess and use the prohibited weapon and that the nominated weapon will be used in activities being conducted at the competition by the approved sporting organisation in NSW.

Nominate on the P638 Prohibited Weapons Schedule the type of weapons you seek to possess and use.

### **What safe keeping level applies to this permit?**

See the FACT Sheets 'Recommended Safe Storage for Schedule 1 Prohibited Weapons' and 'Safe Storage Prohibited Weapons Level 1, 2 & 3' available on the Firearms Registry Internet site for the storage level that applies to the weapons nominated on your permit.

### **What about Customs in Australia?**

Certification to enable Customs to release the weapon to you upon arrival in Australia will be provided as part of this application if you are importing weapons.

### **What do I need to send with the application?**

- \* You must provide as part of this application a passport style colour photo of yourself endorsed on the back with 'This is a true photo of (name)' and signed by a JP or police officer.
- \* Proof of identity and residency - a copy of your passport showing country of issue and date of expiry.
- \* A copy of your visa showing expiry date.
- \* Provide flight details including arrival and departure dates.
- \* Provide arrival and departure dates into and out of NSW.
- \* Complete the P638 Prohibited Weapons Schedule and indicate the type of weapons you seek to possess and use.
- \* Provide evidence of the authority to possess and use the weapon in your country of residency (licence number, permit number, competition activities etc).
- \* Details of the competition in NSW in which you are competing including sporting organisation conducting the competition, dates and location of the competition.
- \* Provide details of the safe storage location and facilities for storage of the weapon while in NSW. See 'Recommended Safe Storage for Prohibited Weapons' on the Safe Storage Page on the Firearms Registry Internet site.
- \* Payment must accompany your application.

### **How do I complete the application form?**

The P638 'Application for a Prohibited Weapon Permit' form applies to this permit. This form is used for a new application or to re-apply for a Prohibited Weapon Permit.

Do not send a photocopy of the form, print within the boxes, do not mark boxes that do not apply, use CAPITAL LETTERS and BLACK INK; DO NOT USE STAPLES.

### Section A - Applicant Details

The 'Last Name' & 'Given names' box should show your full legal name. This should be the name on your birth certificate, marriage certificate, change of name certificate or passport. Complete your DOB, drivers licence, contact details including mobile phone number and email address.

List any other names by which you have been known and supply details.

### Section B - Residential Address

Insert your full residential address here.

### Section C - Postal Address

If your postal address is the same as your residential address mark the box with an 'X', otherwise, insert your postal address here.

### Section D - Business, Club, Government Agency Details

Complete business or organisation name, trading name, business address, phone numbers and postal address.

### Section E - Permit Type

Place an 'X' in the box 'Overseas Competitor'.

### Section F - Safekeeping Address of Weapons

This section should be completed providing the address at which the prohibited weapons will be stored and details of the arrangements for the safekeeping and storage. Attach a separate sheet if there is insufficient space.

### Section G - Personal History

Please answer all questions by marking the appropriate 'Yes' or 'No' box. If you responded 'Yes' to any of the questions, please provide an attachment with details.

### Section H - Declaration

The application form must be signed and dated by the applicant in the presence of a witness. The witness must be 18 years of age or over.

By signing the declaration you are confirming that:

All the information provided on the application is true and correct;  
You understand it is an offence to supply false or misleading information;  
AND

You agree to the NSW Police Force making enquiries to establish that the information you have supplied in relation to the application is true and correct.

### Section I - Credit Card Authority

If you wish to pay by credit card, indicate whether Mastercard or Visa, fill out cardholder details in full, sign and date.

### Related Information

See Fact Sheets:

'100 point identification',  
'Safe Storage Prohibited Weapons Level 1, 2 & 3'

'Recommended Safe Storage for Schedule 1 Prohibited Weapons'.

### Check List

- Completed P638 form
- P638 Prohibited Weapons Schedule
- Passport sized colour photo
- Proof of ID = copy of passport
- Copy of visa
- Arrival and departure dates for NSW
- Description of prohibited weapon
- Authority to possess weapon in country of residence
- Competition event details
- Safe storage location, facilities and security of prohibited weapon
- Payment AUD \$127

## Firearms Registry

### Address

Locked Bag 1  
Murwillumbah NSW 2484

### Telephone

1300362562

### Interstate

02 66708590

### Fax

02 66708558

### Email

permits@police.nsw.gov.au  
OR  
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 *Weapons Prohibition Act 1998* and the *Weapons Prohibition Regulation 2009*, which are available on the NSW Legislation website - [www.legislation.nsw.gov.au](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au).



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