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NSW Firearms Registry

Encryption of Emails

As part of an initiative to protect the personal information of all firearms licence and permit holders, the Firearms Registry is introducing a protector encryption system to protect all emails sent from the Registry which contain personal or private information about licence or permit holders.

What does this mean?

It means that all emails containing personal information or attachments containing personal or sensitive information about a firearms licence or permit holder or a business or organisation will be encrypted when they are sent from the Firearms Registry.

What does this mean for you?

When you receive your first encrypted email from the Firearms Registry, you will need to register using a link provided and provide a passphrase (password). The passphrase must be at least 8 characters in length and contain a mixture of letters, numbers or punctuation marks (*see below*).



The encrypted email will then be sent to your Inbox as a password protected PDF attachment. You must use your password to open that email and any subsequent encrypted emails that are sent to you from the Firearms Registry.

Do I need any special software?

You will need Adobe Reader. If you need to download Adobe Reader, a link is provided in the email you receive after you have provided your passphrase. The download is free.