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MINOR'S PERMIT

In NSW a person must be 18 years of age or over to obtain a firearms licence.

This fact sheet provides information on obtaining a Minor's Permit for persons aged 12 - 18 years wishing to receive instruction in the safe use of firearms or participate in shooting events - section 32 of *Firearms Act 1996*.

Who can apply for a Minor's Permit?

The applicant must be aged between 12 and 18 years of age and the permit will be issued subject to the consent of the parent or legal guardian of the applicant. Proof of legal guardianship is required.

What does a Minor's Permit authorise?

This permit authorises the minor to possess and use firearms under the supervision of the holder of a category A, category B or category C firearms licence (or a person authorised by the Commissioner to supervise the use of such firearms by minors) for the purpose of receiving instruction in the safe use of firearms or competing in shooting events.

Under clause 156 of the *Firearms Regulation 2017* the person being supervised must be in the direct line of sight of the supervisor at all times. The supervisor must be ready and able to give directions and render immediate assistance to the person being supervised at all times.

This permit does not authorise the acquisition of firearms.

What is the term of the Permit?

A minor's permit will be issued until you reach the age of 18 years and 3 months.

The additional 3 months allows the permit holder to continue using firearms under the authority of the minor's permit while an application for a firearms licence is determined.

Information and instructions on how to apply for a firearms licence online will be forwarded to you 90 days prior to the expiry of your minor's permit.

How much will my Minor's Permit cost?

The prescribed fee for this permit is \$75.

If you are applying for a longarm and a pistol permit, you may make application for both permits on one form, however two fees apply.

Payment must be made with your application by providing credit card details in the space provided on the reverse of the application form.

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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 associated Regulation, which are available on the NSW Legislation website – www.legislation.nsw.gov.au

Mailing: Locked Bag 5102, Parramatta NSW 2124

Tel: 1300 362 562

Interstate: 02 6670 8590

Website: www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms

Contact us: <https://portal.police.nsw.gov.au/s/online-firearm-applications>

What type of Minor's Permits are available?

There are 2 types of permits available:

- A minor's firearms training permit category A B or C authorising the possession and use of longarms; OR
- A minor's target pistol permit category H authorising the possession and use of pistols.

You must provide 100 points of ID with your application. Documents for proof of ID include birth certificate, passport, citizenship certificate, official student card or letter on letterhead from your educational institution confirming enrolment. Please send copies only.

What requirements must be met for each of these permits?

Minor's Permit for Longarms - A B or C (Cat C - physical impairment or disability only)

Prior to making your application, you must complete an approved safety training course for longarms.

For training providers, contact:

- Firearms Safety Training Council - 02 94863077
- Sporting Shooters Association Australia - 1300746683
- Department of Primary Industries, Game Licensing Unit - 02 63913750
- Your nearest firearms club or the NSW Firearms Registry.

Upon successful completion of the course, you will be issued with a certificate which must be forwarded to the Firearms Registry with your permit application.

Category C Minor's Permit - Clay Target Shooting

To obtain a category C permit you must:

- Have a physical disability requiring the use of a self-loading or pump action shotgun, and
- Be a member of an approved club affiliated with the Australian Clay Target Association.

The club official must sign the declaration in Section G on the application form AND you will need to supply evidence from a medical practitioner to verify your need for a category C permit for clay target shooting.

Minor's target pistol permit (Category H)

To obtain a category H permit you must:

- Be a current member of an approved Target Shooting (Pistol) Club, and
- Complete an approved safety training course for pistols run by or on behalf of the pistol club.

Upon successful completion of the course, you will be issued with a certificate which must be forwarded to the Firearms Registry with your permit application.

How do I apply for a Minor's Firearm Permit?

Firearm Permit application forms are available on the Firearms Registry website. You must complete the P637 'Application for a Minor's Permit' form and the 'Minor's Legitimate Reason' form and where applicable provide any supporting documentation.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING A MINOR'S PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

MINOR'S PERMIT APPLICATION FORM (P637)

SECTION A - NOMINATED PERMIT HOLDER

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 B - RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

Insert your full residential address in this section.

SECTION C - 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 D - PERMIT TYPE

From the drop-down box, select the type of minor's permit for which you are making application.

SECTION E - 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 F - DECLARATION

The application must be signed and dated by the applicant.

SECTION G - FEE

The prescribed fee for this permit is \$75. Your payment must accompany the application. Please complete the credit card authority in this section.

Note: If you apply for a Category A, B and a Category H Minors Permit, or you apply for a Category C and a Category H Minors Permit, you may make both applications on the one form, however two fees apply.

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