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Permit to Authorise Storage of Firearms in NSW

This fact sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining a permit to authorise interstate registered firearms to be stored on a permanent basis in NSW.

Interstate licence or permit holders wishing to store firearms in NSW must be authorised to do so by a Firearm Permit.

What does Permit to Authorise Storage of Firearms in NSW authorise?

This permit authorises the permit holder to store firearms in NSW on a permanent basis.

Note: The firearms must be registered in your state or territory of residence.

Who would make application for this permit?

A person who:

1. Resides outside NSW in another Australian State or Territory, and
2. Is authorised in that State or Territory to possess and use firearms, and
3. Has firearms that are registered to that Interstate licence, and
4. Wishes to store some or all of those firearms in NSW on a permanent basis.

Why is it necessary to obtain a permit for this purpose?

All firearms registered in NSW are recorded on police systems with details of the firearm, details of the registered owner and details of the safe storage address.

At all times NSW Police are able to identify locations where firearms are kept, the number and type of firearms and the licence or permit holders who are storing firearms at that location.

Where firearms that are registered interstate are stored in NSW, there is no way of recording the details of the number and type of firearms and the registered owner of those firearms, unless a permit is issued to the Interstate resident authorising possession in NSW for the purpose of safe keeping.

NSW Police regularly conduct safe storage audits of the safe keeping facilities of all firearms licence and permit holders in NSW. These audits ensure compliance by the licence or permit holder with the safe storage requirements prescribed by Part 4 of the *Firearms Act 1996*.

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?

The applicant must provide evidence that a legitimate reason exists for the storage of firearms in NSW and the firearms are registered to the interstate licence.

It is a condition of the permit that the permit holder must hold a valid interstate licence or permit authorising possession and use of firearms in their State or Territory of residence for the life of the permit and that firearms remain registered for the life of the permit.

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.

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What about safe storage?

The permit holder must comply with the safe keeping requirements of the *Firearms Act 1996* in relation to firearms authorised by this permit.

The permit holder may only store a firearm in an inhabited dwelling or in a dwelling where the permit holder, or someone on their behalf, can easily observe the premises where the firearm is stored. An inhabited dwelling is a person's principal place of residence, where the permit holder may or may not also live, or where a person lives while the firearm is stored there.

If a person stores their firearms in a place other than an inhabited dwelling, they can do so provided the following safe storage requirements are met or exceeded:

All firearms must be -

- stored in a safe of an approved type, and
- fitted with a trigger or barrel lock that prevents the firearm from being discharged, and
- secured individually on, or in, a locked device within the safe.

The safe must be fitted with an alarm of an approved type that is monitored off-site.

The premises on which the firearm is stored must have an intruder alarm and duress facilities that are monitored offsite and are of an approved type.

The level of safe storage applicable is dependent on the type of firearms for which you are authorised. See the fact sheets on our Safe Storage page available on our website.

What if I want to use my firearm/s in NSW?

This permit authorises possession only in NSW for the purpose of safe storage. If you wish to use your firearm in NSW, please refer to Recognition of Interstate Firearms Licences fact sheet available on our website.

How do I apply for a Permit to Authorise Storage of Firearms in NSW?

You must complete the Application for a Firearms Permit form and the Permit to Authorise Storage of Firearms in NSW 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 application form.

Further information / related information

Firearms Registry website: www.police.nsw.gov.au/firearms

- [Application for a Firearms Permit](#)
- [Permit to Authorise Storage of Firearms in NSW Legitimate Reason form](#)
- [Fee Schedule](#)
- [100 Point Identification fact sheet](#)
- [Recognition of Interstate Firearms Licences fact sheet](#)

See the [Safe Storage](#) page on our website for safe storage requirements.

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Instructions for completing the 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.

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