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FIREARMS REGISTRY

Laser Games/Laser Skirmish - Imitation Firearms

P 634

This FACT sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining a permit to Conduct Laser Games / Laser Skirmish using imitation firearms - section 28(g) of the *Firearms Act 1996*.

Persons wishing to conduct activities involving the possession and use of a imitation firearm which has been modified to emit laser or infra-red light beams must obtain a permit to conduct these activities.

[What does a Laser Games/Laser Skirmish - Imitation Firearms Permit authorise?](#)

This permit authorises the permit holder and authorised employees to possess and use imitation firearms for the purposes of conducting laser skirmish activities.

This permit also authorises participants 18 years of age or over to possess and use imitation firearms provided by the permit holder but only while under the supervision and control of the operator.

[When is a permit necessary?](#)

When the laser gun meets the definition of an imitation firearm provided by section 4D of the *Firearms Act 1996*, a permit is required to possess and use this type of imitation firearm in NSW.

Section 4D of the *Firearms Act 1996* - An imitation firearm is an object that, regardless of its colour, weight or composition or the presence or absence of any moveable parts, substantially duplicates in appearance a firearm but that is not a firearm. An imitation does not include anything produced and identified as a child's toy.

[Are there any laser type firearms which do not meet the definition of an imitation firearm?](#)

Yes. Where the laser gun has been produced and identified as a children's toy, no permit is required in NSW for possession and use of this type of laser.

Where the laser does not substantially duplicate a firearm (and is therefore not an imitation firearm) a permit is not required in NSW for possession and use of this type of laser.

Where the laser gun was once capable of firing a projectile by means of an explosive it is classified as a firearm and requires a permit to authorise possession and use.

If you are having difficulty determining if the item is a toy, a toy industry expert, a firearms dealer or armourer may be able to assist with identification. The Firearms Registry or Police Ballistic Unit do not offer such a facility to the general public.

[Who can apply for this type of permit?](#)

The permit will be issued to a business with a person nominated as the permit holder.

[Do the laser/infra-red guns require registration?](#)

No. An imitation firearm does not require registration.

Note: The holder of a permit authorising the possession or use of an imitation firearm is not required to be authorised by a permit to acquire the imitation firearm.

[Where can the laser games be conducted?](#)

On land/premises approved by the Commissioner for laser game activities. Approved land/premises are specified on the permit.

[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 safe storage applies?](#)

Local licensing police will conduct an inspection of your safe storage and issue you with a safe storage inspection event number which must be supplied with your application. See FACT Sheets 'Safe Storage Level One - Category A & B Requirements' or 'Safe Storage Level Two - Category C, D & H Requirements', as applicable.

[What about employees?](#)

Employees 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 (separate form for each employee); and.

- * Complete Section E of the P635 form to establish proof of employment status; and
- * If the employees to be listed on this permit do not hold a current firearms licence or permit, proof of identity totalling 100 points must be provided

[How do I apply for a Laser Games/Laser Skirmish - Imitation Firearms Permit?](#)

You must complete the P634 'Application for a Firearms Permit' form and the 'Laser Games/Laser Skirmish - Imitation Firearms 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',

'Safe Storage Level Two - Category C, D & H Requirements'.

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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.



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