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Prohibited Weapons Sporting Permit

This fact sheet provides information on the requirements for obtaining a Prohibited Weapons Sporting Permit - clause 17 of the *Weapons Prohibition Regulation 2017*.

It is an offence in NSW to possess a prohibited weapon without the authority of a permit.

What does a Sporting Permit authorise?

This permit authorises the permit holder to possess and use a prohibited weapon to which the permit relates for the purposes of training or competing in a sport or recreation specified in the permit.

Who can apply for this permit?

A person who can provide evidence from an approved sporting organisation or club to verify that they need to possess and use the prohibited weapon for which the permit is sought because their ranking in the sport or recreation concerned requires the person to use the prohibited weapon to train or compete in the sport or recreation.

What is the term of the permit?

The permit will be issued for a maximum term of 5 years.

How much will the permit cost?

The prescribed fee for this permit is \$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 do I need to send with the application?

- A completed P638 'Application for a Prohibited Weapons Permit' form
- A completed 'Prohibited Weapons Sporting Permit Genuine Reason' form
- A completed 'Business Declaration' (business application only)
- Supporting documentation as requested on the genuine reason form

What kind of prohibited weapons are authorised by this permit?

There are no restrictions on the types of prohibited weapons authorised by this permit. However, the applicant must establish the need for possession or use of the type of prohibited weapons for which the permit is sought by providing a letter from an approved sporting organisation - clause 17(2) of the *Weapons Prohibition Regulation 2017*.

You must nominate the type of prohibited weapon on the relevant Genuine Reason form for the type of permit concerned.

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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Interstate: 02 6670 8590

Email: firearms@police.nsw.gov.au

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

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What level of safe storage applies to this permit?

See the fact sheet '*Safe Storage Prohibited Weapons Level 1, 2 & 3*' & '*Prescribed Safe Storage for Schedule 1 Prohibited Weapons*' for the storage level that applies to the weapons nominated for your permit.

You must meet or exceed the prescribed safe storage for the weapon concerned.

How do I apply for a Sporting Permit?

You must complete the P638 'Application for a Prohibited Weapons Permit' form and the 'Prohibited Weapon Sporting Permit Genuine Reason' form and where applicable provide any supporting documentation.

Further information / related information

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

- [Application for a Prohibited Weapons Permit](#)
- [Business Declaration form](#)
- [Fee Schedule](#)
- [100 Point Identification fact sheet](#)

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

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Instructions for completing the Prohibited Weapons Permit Application Form (P638)

NEW APPLICATION / REAPPLICATION

Mark the appropriate box, new application or reapplication. If you currently hold, or have previously held, a firearms licence or firearms or prohibited weapon permit, enter your licence or permit number.

SECTION A - PERMIT TYPE

From the drop down list select the type of permit for which you are applying. If the permit is not listed in the drop down list, enter 'Other' and describe the type of permit you require in the space provided.

SECTION B - NOMINATED PERSON/BUSINESS OR NOMINATED PERMIT HOLDER/INDIVIDUAL

Insert the full name, date of birth, gender, NSW drivers licence (if held), contact phone numbers, email address and supply details for the nominated person (business) or nominated permit holder (individual). If you have been known by any other names enter your alias here.

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 WEAPONS

If the safekeeping address is the same as the residential address, select 'YES' in the box. If your weapon 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 a prohibited weapon permit is \$127. Your payment must accompany the application.

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