



Application for Permit to Possess a Pistol, Restricted Weapon, Restricted Firearm, or Restricted Magazine

Date of application - DD/MM/YYYY

- You may attach additional pages to this application if there is insufficient room below.
- A permit issued under section 35 and/or 35A of the Arms Act 1983 remains in force for the period specified in the permit, which must not exceed one month, or unless sooner revoked.
- Read section [35 of the Arms Act 2026](#) for the specific section relating to restrictions on possession of a pistol or restricted weapon.
- Read section [35A of the Arms Act 2026](#) for the specific section relating to restrictions on possession of restricted firearm or restricted magazine.
- See "notes for applicant" on last page for help with this form.

Section 1: Applicant to fill in all relevant details in this section

Applicant details

Last name		First name		Middle name	
For firearms address must be: licence holder's address, the courier or mail depot or a firearms dealer's address only					
Address			Phone		
			Email		

I am applying to possess the below item as an endorsement holder in my capacity as:¹

Firearms licence No.		Business licence No. If applicable		
Version No.		Expiry date		Enter the endorsement you hold which you are applying to make specific to the below item(s)

Pistol, restricted weapon, restricted firearm

1.	Arms Act type ² Pistol, restricted weapon or firearm	Type e.g. shotgun	Action type e.g. semi-automatic, pump action	Make	
	Model	Detachable magazine ☐ Yes	Capacity No. of rounds if non-detachable magazine 	Magazine type e.g. revolver, drum, internal-fixed, ammunition feed plate 	Calibre/Gauge
					Identification marking e.g. serial number
2.	Arms Act type ² Pistol, restricted weapon or firearm	Type e.g. shotgun	Action type e.g. semi-automatic, pump action	Make	
	Model	Detachable magazine ☐ Yes	Capacity No. of rounds if non-detachable magazine 	Magazine type e.g. revolver, drum, internal-fixed, ammunition feed plate 	Calibre/Gauge
					Identification marking e.g. serial number

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Restricted Magazines

Is the magazine for the restricted weapon or restricted firearm listed above? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Quantity	Purpose To fit a standard firearm, pistol, restricted weapon, restricted firearm, etc.	Magazine type e.g. revolver, drum, internal-fixed, ammunition feed plate		
Make Manufacturer	Model	Capacity No. rounds	Calibre/Gauge	Identification marking e.g. serial number

Current Possessor's Details

Last name		First name		Middle name	
Address		Phone		Area code/prefix	
		Email			
Business name		Firearms licence No.		Expiry date	
Location of firearm(s) and/or restricted magazine(s)					

Reason for acquisition of the arms item in this capacity ³

In case of a restricted firearm or magazine, also explain why it is appropriate for you to possess that item⁴

Mail order or internet sale

Please tick if the item is being purchased by mail order or on the internet ☐ Yes

Name of courier company

Privacy Statement

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Applicant declaration and signature

I declare that the information I have supplied for this application is true and correct.

Signature

Submit Application

Online:
PermitFirearms@firearmssafety.govt.nz

Or post to:
Arms Act Service Delivery Group
PO Box 722, Paraparaumu
Kapiti 5032

Section 2: Official use – Member receiving application

☐ Applicant's licence and endorsement sighted and confirmed as current (NIA checked)

Receiving Officer signature or stamp

Designation

QID

Date



Notes for applicant

Notes 1 and 2:

1. Capacities and types of items for which endorsements may be granted in those capacities
2. Endorsements may be granted for certain items in particular capacities. State which one of the following capacities that applies to you and the item you seek to possess. You need to have the corresponding endorsement before the permit to possess can be issued.

Note 3: Reason for acquisition

Explain why you are seeking to add this item to your endorsement. For example, collectors might explain why it would fit in with and enhance their collection; a film production company might require a particular item for an upcoming film.

Note 4: Facts demonstrating why it is appropriate to possess the restricted firearm or restricted magazine

A person seeking to possess a restricted firearm or restricted magazine also needs to set out sufficient information here (perhaps supplemented by further documents that might be attached) to explain why it is appropriate for them to possess the restricted firearm or restricted magazine with reference to their capacity as an exempt person under section 4A of the Act. For example, a person employed by DoC may explain how their existing restricted magazine is worn and they need to acquire another to replace it. It is appropriate to demonstrate why a standard firearm or magazine cannot be used for the purpose.

Note 5: Firearms Registry

The transfer, sale, supply, purchase or receipt of certain arms items is an activating circumstance with respect to the Firearms Registry. Please visit firearmssafety.govt.nz/registry for further information.

Capacity	Arms Act type	Arms Act reference
Pistol club member A member of an incorporated pistol shooting club that holds a certificate of approval issued under section 38F of the Arms Act 2026	Pistol	29(2)(a)
Collector Bona fide collector of firearms	Pistol	29(2)(b)
	Restricted weapon	29(2)(b)
	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(b)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(b)
Heirloom/memento Person to whom the item has special significance as an heirloom or memento	Pistol	29(2)(c)
	Restricted weapon	29(2)(c)
	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(c)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(c)
Museum Director/Curator Director or Curator of a bona fide museum	Pistol	29(2)(d)
	Restricted weapon	29(2)(d)
	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(d)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(d)
Theatrical/Broadcaster Approved employee or approved member of: (a) A broadcaster (Broadcasting Act 1989); or (b) A bona fide theatre company or society or cinematic or television film production company or video recording production company	Pistol	29(2)(e)
	Restricted weapon	29(2)(e)
	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(e)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(e)
Employed/engaged by DoC Person employed or engaged by the Department of Conservation and involved in operations for the purpose of controlling wild animals or animal pests	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(f)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(f)
Conservation concession Holder Holder of a concession granted by the Minister of Conservation to undertake wild animal recovery operations	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(g)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(g)
Employed/engaged by Biosecurity Act management agency Person employed or engaged by a management agency (section 100 of the Biosecurity Act) and involved in operations for the purpose of controlling wild animals or animal pests	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(h)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(h)
Animal/pest control as sole/substantial part of business Person whose sole business or a substantial part of whose business is providing services to control prescribed wild animal or animal pests OR Person engaged in agriculture, horticulture or silviculture Owner/Manager of agricultural/horticultural/silvicultural business where business commercial detrimentally affected by wild animals/animal pests OR Employed/engaged by such a person Person employed or engaged by that person for that purpose	Restricted firearm	30A(1) & 4A(1)(i) & 4A(1)(j)
	Restricted magazine	30A(1) & 4A(1)(i) & 4A(1)(j)