

Firearms Pānui



Kia ora tātou,

In this Firearms Pānui you can catch up on:

- Latest Firearms Registry numbers
- Purchasing firearms from a retailer
- Website updates
- Updated firearms safety test for licence holders reapplying for a licence
- Firearms safety videos

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Firearms Registry

We've had 87,906 firearms and firearms parts registered by 17,381 firearms licence holders.

Remember, the first time you have an activating circumstance you are required to record all arms items in your possession. You also need to check your firearms licence holder details are complete and up to date.

You can find information [here](#) about activating circumstances and ongoing events. You can also or give our helpful registry team a call on 0800 844 431.

A dark green graphic with the text 'Over 75,000 firearms registered!' in white and yellow. The number '75,000' is in yellow. There are small gun icons on either side of the number. At the bottom, it says 'firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz' and the Te Tari Pūreke logo.

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Purchasing firearms from a retailer

If you're getting a new firearm this summer, here's a handy checklist:

- Check your firearms licence is up-to-date
- Register new firearm
- Register all your firearms within 30 days
- Keep your details up-to-date

If you have recently bought a firearm from a retailer it is likely they will have filled out some online forms with you in store at the time of the sale. Please note, this does not mean you have filled in the Registry, and you will still need to record all your arms items and check your details are up to date.



Head to firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz to register online or give us a call on 0800 844 431 Monday to Friday 8.30am-5pm, except public holidays. We're here to help.

Website updates

Thank you to the licence holders who took part in our website testing last month. We'll be using these results to make the website easier to use.

Thank you also to the licence holders who provided feedback about the Firearms Registry information on our website. We have updated this section with:

- more detail about activating circumstances, and what to do when one happens.
- a clearer description of 'major firearm parts'.
- better guidance on what to do if you share a firearm with other people.

You can find this information on our [Firearms Registry](#) section.

If you have feedback about the website, you can fill in the [online feedback form](#).

Updated firearms safety test for licence holders reapplying for a licence ('renewal')

A lot has changed in the last 10 years. Since 2013, there have been nine changes to Firearms Regulations and six changes to the Arms Act. Some licence holders may not be aware of

changes to Regulations or the Arms Act that will have an impact on their safety, storage, transport, and general obligations.

When a licence holder applies for a new licence (renews), we need to be sure our licence holders are using firearms safely, within the rules in the current Arms Act and Regulations.

A new 20-question firearms safety test is being applied during vetting meetings from November, with all licence holders renewing. The new firearms safety test for ‘renewals’ replaces the old 10-question test and is based on current licence holder obligations.

We would like to thank **Firearms Community Advisory Forum**, Ministers Arms Advisory Group and Arms Engagement Group for their input and endorsement of the new safety test.



Firearms safety videos

The **seven rules** and immediate supervision while hunting now feature on film. Whether you're new to shooting, or have been shooting your whole life - safety isn't just a choice; it's a responsibility. By following the 7 safety rules, you're not only protecting your firearms but protecting yourself and others around you.

A huge thank you to the team at NZ Hunter, and our crew Josh, Nick and Shane for working with us on this series. These videos were filmed out in the South Wairarapa. Since the videos were released, they have been viewed more than 91,400 times.

Check out Rule 1 below, Treat every firearm as loaded, and find the full series [here](#).



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