

Firearms Pānui

The latest firearms information

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Kia ora,

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Trust increase in firearms regulator

The Firearms Regulator has just released the findings of its 2024 trust and confidence survey.

The survey shows a significant uplift in the trust and confidence levels held by the firearms licence holder community. The survey went out to 1699 firearms licence holders, of which more than two-thirds (68%) of the respondents now have trust and confidence in Te Tari Pūreke management of firearms licensing (up from 42% in 2022); and 65% of licence holders have confidence in Te Tari Pūreke being effective in controlling the safe use and possession of firearms (up from 45% in 2022).

A summary of the 2024 survey results can be found [HERE](#) on the Te Tari Pūreke website.



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Podcast with The Firearms Safety Authority

We're thrilled to announce the launch of our very first video podca...


Working with Mental Hunts to break down mental health barriers

[Mental Hunts](#) focus on breaking down mental health barriers and encouraging people in the firearms community to talk about their mental health.

Last month, Kendra Hill (Senior Partnerships Advisor) and I joined Glen Thurston and Sam Manson in filming new episodes for their Youtube channel.

In the first episode, a [video podcast](#), we discuss the barriers people experience when seeking help for mental health, what firearms licence holders need to know, and clear up a few myths.

Glen and Sam then took us out hunting. They shared with us the mental health benefits of being in the great outdoors and the rewarding experience of hunting and gathering with your mates. You can check out the [hunting video here](#).

 Pictured left to right: Kendra Hill (Senior Partnerships Advisor) and Mike McIlraith (Director Partnerships)



Keep an eye out for our new security display at events


Te Tari Pūreke has a new security display built to replicate safe storage at home.

The display demonstrates safe storage options for non-prohibited firearms and ammunition at home. Currently within the display are 3 firearms security options and 2 ammunition storage options.

It can be easily packed down and sent around the country to be used at events, conferences, expos and more as an interactive, educational tool.

If you have an event or opportunity where this could be beneficial to be displayed, please reach out to the Partnerships Team at

firearmspartnerships@police.govt.nz

 Pictured: Firearms and ammunition secure storage display

How to register firearms owned by an organisation

Te Tari Pūreke now has information on our website about possession and registration of firearms owned by an organisation. An organisation could be (but is not limited to) a shooting club, shooting range, pest control business, agricultural business, regional council, or airport company.

When a firearms licence holder has an activating circumstance, they must register their personal firearms as well as those possessed on behalf of an organisation. You can find more information [here](#).

If you have already registered your personal firearms but not registered organisation firearms in your possession then you must register them immediately. You can contact the Registry on 0800 844 431 or register online.

Changes to clubs' annual reporting requirements

The government has made some important changes to the annual reporting requirements for clubs, simplifying what they need to provide. These changes come into effect on Friday, 28 June.

For all shooting clubs, except pistol shooting clubs, there has been a change to the required content of their annual reports. The only requirement now is annual reporting on changes to clubs' officers. A club needs to provide an update on officers since the club applied for approval or since the last annual report, whichever was later.

The new regulations mean clubs are no longer required to provide:

- Details of changes to their club's constitution or rules;
- Minutes of their last AGM; and
- If they sell firearms and/or ammunition, they no longer provide a financial report/reconciliation for this activity.

These new reporting requirements do not change the annual reporting requirements for pistol shooting clubs which continue to be required to provide more information than non-pistol shooting clubs, including a financial report if firearms and/or ammunition are sold on the club's behalf. However, if a pistol club has not made any changes to its constitution or rules in the past year, they need now only give a statement to that effect. Similarly, if a pistol club has not had any changes to club's officers, they need only give a statement to that effect.

To view the amended regulations in full people should visit the [New Zealand Gazette](#). If people have any questions or need any more information, please contact our Clubs & Ranges Team by email:

ClubsandRanges@police.govt.nz.

Keep up to date on the latest numbers

Firearms Registry turns one

Earlier this week we celebrated the one year anniversary of the Firearms Registry. The Registry was launched to improve firearms oversight and safety in New Zealand, by providing a record of all lawfully held firearms.

I want to give a shout out to all licence holders who have entered and updated details on the firearms registry since it first went live one year ago, we appreciate everyone's efforts. More than 23,000 licence holders entered or updated details online, and more than 26,000 updates were handled over the phone.

The one-year anniversary is an opportunity to consider the progress on this five-year journey to being fully operational.

- We have had more than **232,000** firearms registered since the Registry went live.
- Over **46,000** licence holders have registered their firearms - which is around 20% of all licence holders.
- Nearly **30%** of licence holders who have registered have also chosen to register proactively, without waiting for an activating circumstance.

You can find more information on the licensing and registry snapshot [here](#) on our website.



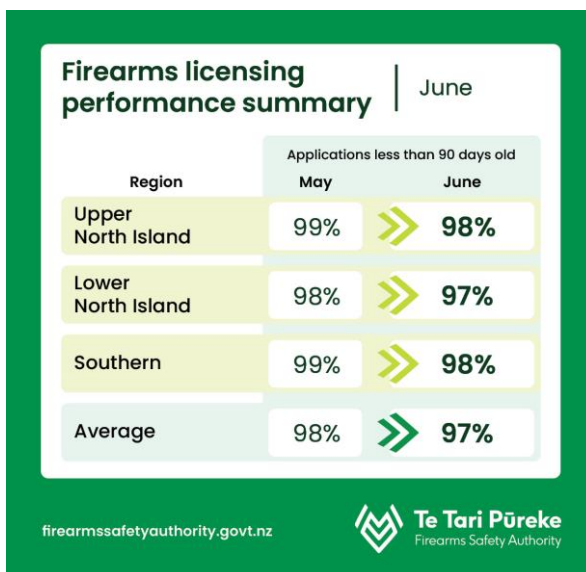
Firearms licensing data

Te Tari Pūreke proactively releases data such as the number of active licences broken down by demographics, and information over longer time periods, such as firearms offences. You can find the public dashboard [here](#).

Firearms licensing performance

Te Tari Pūreke is working to complete all firearms licence applications within three months (90 days).

However, it should be recognised that in some situations it will take longer than three months to arrange with applicants and complete parts of the process. Here is the latest firearms licensing performance data broken down by region.



Firearms safety

How to secure your home and property for safe firearms and ammunition storage 🏠

Each month we feature a firearms safety video. This month we have: **How to secure your home and property for safe firearms and ammunition storage.**

If you have missed our last couple of features or want to see them again, you can check out the full series of videos [here](#).





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Firearms Registry: Firearms licence holders can use the MyFirearms online portal or call **0800 844 431**, Monday to Friday, 8.30am to 5pm.

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