



Te Tari Pūreke

Firearms Safety Authority

Guidance on how to complete the
*Mail order or internet sales of non-
prohibited firearms, airguns, non-
prohibited magazines,
non-prohibited parts,
ammunition, application form.*

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Please read first

Note: the mail order form does not replace the need to register arms items as required by section 94 of the Arms Act 1983.

This form covers the following arms items:

1. non-prohibited firearms:
2. non-prohibited magazines:
3. non-prohibited parts: All parts require a permit.¹
4. pistol carbine conversion kits:
5. airguns (other than an airgun for use in airsoft or paintball sports)
6. ammunition (other than ammunition for a firearm of the kind described in [section 22\(1\)\(a\), \(b\), or \(c\)](#)).

The exemptions are as follows:

any firearm of the kind known as:

1. a bolt gun or a stud gun:
2. a humane killer:
3. a tranquilliser gun:
4. a stock marking pistol
5. an underwater spear gun:
6. a flare pistol:
7. a deer net gun:
8. a pistol that is part of rocket or line throwing equipment:
9. a miniature cannon; or
10. any antique firearm; or
11. any other make, type, or manufacture of firearm exempted from the provisions of [section 20](#) or [section 21](#) by regulations made under this Act.

An antique means: any firearm that:

1. Is held in the possession of any person solely as an antique (but not as a copy or replica of an antique); and
2. Is not designed for firing, and is not capable of firing, rimfire or centrefire cartridge ammunition; or

¹ The following items do not require a mail order permit. Screws, springs, nuts, mounting rails, sights and sight parts, scope rings, butt pads, cheek risers, handguards, bipods, tripods and bipod accessories and cleaning, repairing tools, and ammunition loading tools.

3. Any firearm declared by regulations made under this Act to be an antique firearm for the purposes of this Act; but
4. Does not include any firearm manufactured after 1899.

If the firearm does not meet the above criteria, it is NOT an antique.

Filling out the form

Applicant (i.e. the buyer)

Enter the name of the licence holder who will be taking final possession of the firearm/parts/magazine or ammunition (i.e. the buyer).

The phone number, email address and endorsements held must be for the licence holder (i.e. the buyer) who will take final possession the firearm/parts/magazine or ammunition.

The licence details must be for the licence holder who will take final possession the firearm/parts/magazine or ammunition (i.e. the buyer).

The dealer licence must be for the dealer who receives the arms item on behalf of the licence holder (i.e. the buyer).

Airguns

Proof of age required when purchasing an airgun without a firearms licence

This section must be filled out for all purchases of an airgun, where the buyer does not have a firearm licence.

Supplier (i.e. the seller)

The details in this section must be filled out by the person who is in possession of the firearm/parts/magazine or ammunition (i.e. the seller). This could be a licence holder or a dealer.

For the proposed delivery courier, you must add the details of the courier or transport company (Aramex, Mainfreight etc).

Firearms, magazines, parts and ammunition sections

If you are applying for these items, you must complete every relevant section, failure to do so may result in the application being refused.

Magazines

If a firearm comes packaged with a detachable magazine (fitted inside the firearm or not), then you will need to include the magazine's details in the non-prohibited magazines section (this is the section between the non-prohibited firearms section and the ammunition section).

Suppressors

If the firearm has a suppressor fitted this needs to be itemised on the application as a part.

Ammunition

You must complete this section if you are purchasing ammunition.

Type: this will be rifle, shotgun or pistol.

Calibre: this will be the calibre or gauge of the ammunition. Please use the full name not the abbreviation.

Quantity: this will be the number of individual rounds, not the number of boxes.