

Important Information when acting as sponsor for foreign visitor permits



- ▶ The fee is **£20 per visitor**, with a maximum fee of **£100 for groups of 5-20 visitors**.
- ▶ As it is a dual form, if the visitor is bringing into the UK both firearms and shotguns then a separate fee is required for each permit - £20 each

Information in relation to EEC Visitors

- ▶ If the visitor is from a country in the EEC **you must provide a copy of the original European Firearm Certificate (EFP)** in accordance with the Home Office's Guide on Firearms Licensing Law 2013, Chapter 27.

Information in relation to Non EEC Visitors

- ▶ If the visitor is from a country which is not in the EEC **you must provide a copy of either of the following** in accordance with the Home Office's Guide on Firearms Licensing Law 2013, Chapter 27:-
 - ▶ Any current firearm certificate
 - ▶ Hunting Licence
 - ▶ Membership card of a shooting organisation

PLEASE NOTE: We cannot process a visitors permit without proof of the above.

- ▶ All weapons must be clearly listed as per the heading to question 18

Eg:	Gauge/Bore/Calibre	Maker's Name	Type/Action	Serial No.
	12 bore	Purdey	over/under	1234
	12 bore	Purdey	side by side	1235
	20 bore	Purdey	single barrel	1236
	.243 in	Remington	bolt action	6789

- ▶ It is essential that all weapons are fully described. It should be noted that where a visitor intends to bring semi-automatic shotguns into the UK, specific details must be provided as follows :-

- Is the magazine fixed or detachable?
- How many rounds can it hold?

If the shotgun has a detachable magazine and is capable of holding more than three rounds it is classed as a Section 1 Firearm and therefore requires a Firearm permit not a Shotgun permit.

PLEASE NOTE: For firearms applications it is essential that questions 21 & 22 are fully completed.

As the Sponsor it is your responsibility to ensure that you provide all necessary information and to submit your application at least 6 - 8 weeks prior to the visitor(s) entering the UK, to give the Firearms Licensing Department the time to process the application and forward the permits to you. It is then your responsibility to forward the permits to the visitor(s) prior to entering the UK.

Should any part of the application be incorrect, or you have failed to supply the relevant copies as mentioned above, the application will be returned to you.

Application for a Visitor's Firearm/Shot Gun Permit

I am applying for (tick box which applies):

Visitor's Firearm Permit

Visitor's Shotgun Permit

Please read all the notes on this form carefully before completing this application.

Write in BLOCK CAPITALS throughout except when signing.

- * This form should be used to apply for a Visitor's Firearm/Shot Gun Permit. It should be completed by a person resident in Great Britain on behalf of a visitor who wishes to possess firearms to which section 1 of the Firearms Act 1968 applies, or possess, purchase or acquire any ammunition to which that section applies whilst in Great Britain or to possess a shot gun to which section 2 of the Act applies.

- * The person making the application is referred to in this form as the Sponsor. The completed form should be sent to the Sponsor's local chief officer of police.
- * Firearms to which section 1 applies include any smoothbore gun which has a barrel with a length of less than 60.96 cm (24 inches) or a bore greater than 5.08 cm (two inches) in diameter, or which has a non-detachable magazine capable of holding more than two cartridges, or a detachable magazine
- * **It is an offence for any person knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement for the purpose of procuring the grant of a permit**

Part A Sponsor's details To be completed by sponsor

1 Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr etc)

2 Surname

3 Forename (s)

4 If you have at any time used a name other than those quoted at 2 and 3 above, please give details (including in the case of a married woman, surname before marriage)

5 Date of birth (DD/MM/YY)

6 Address

Post Code Daytime telephone number

7 If you hold a firearm or shot gun certificate or firearms dealer's certificate of registration, give details

8 If you are submitting this application as a representative of a shooting organisation, give details

Name of organisation

Position held

9 What arrangements have been made for the safekeeping of the visitor's firearms and ammunition whilst in Great Britain?

Part B Individual visitor's details To be completed by either the sponsor or the visitor

10 Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Dr etc)

11 Surname

12 Forenames(s)

13 Date of birth (DD/MM/YY)

14 Nationality

15 Permanent address

16 Address of visitor whilst in Great Britain

Post Code

17 If the visitor has been convicted of any offence (including by courts outside Great Britain), give details

28 If any member of the group has been convicted of an offence (including by courts outside Great Britain), give details

29 Give reason(s) for the members of the group requiring the firearms/shot guns and ammunition specified in **25 and 26**

30 Do any members of the group intend to participate in an established shooting event/competition?

no yes If yes give details

If no, please give details of where the members of the group intend to use the firearms/shot guns and ammunition.

31 Period for which permits need to be valid
from(DD?MM?YY) to (DD/MM/YY)

To be completed by the sponsor

**Delete as applicable*

I hereby apply to the chief officer of police on behalf of
* the person named in Part B above

or

* the persons in the group specified in Part C above

for *a Visitor(s) Firearm Permit/*Visitor(s) Shot Gun Permit.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the above information is true.

Usual signature

Date (DD/MM/YY)

This form must be accompanied by the appropriate fee

Notes

Before submitting this application please ensure that:

- (i) AD relevant sections have been completed
- (ii) You have signed the application
- (iii) You have enclosed the correct fee.

For official use only

Fee paid £	Signature
Receipt number	Rank/Number
Date	Station

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