

Business Professional Shooter Licence

What This Information Sheet Is About

- This information sheet explains what a Business Professional Shooter Licence allows a business to do, and the key requirements that apply to licence holders.
- It is intended to help businesses understand, in plain language, the purpose of the licence and their main responsibilities.
- This information sheet does not replace the *Firearms Act 2024* or the *Firearms Regulations 2024*.

What This Licence Is For

- A Business Professional Shooter Licence allows a business to provide services that involve using a firearm to humanely manage animals.
- These services may include the sedation, culling, euthanasia, or other humane destruction of animals.
- This licence is also subject to the general requirements that apply to all firearms business licences. For information that applies to all firearms businesses, refer to the [“Business Licence Information Sheet”](#).

What Types of Firearms This Licence Can Cover

- A Business Professional Shooter Licence can only apply to firearms in Categories A, B, C or E.
- If the licence includes Category E firearms, only the following types are permitted:
 - Paintball guns – for marking animals as part of a professional shooting service.
 - Tranquilliser guns – allowed only if the business has an authorised person who is legally permitted to administer tranquillisers to animals under relevant veterinary legislation.

What Services You Can Provide With This Licence

- This licence authorises your business to use firearms for:
 - sedating animals,
 - culling animals,
 - euthanising animals, or
 - other forms of humane destruction
- You may only use your licensed firearms for activities directly related to your approved professional shooting services are permitted.

Your Record-Keeping Obligations

- As a licence holder, you must keep a record of every shooting activity you perform as part of your service.
- A shooting activity means using a business firearm to sedate, cull, euthanise or otherwise humanely destroy an animal.
- For each job, you must record:
 - the type of shooting activity performed,
 - the address where the activity occurred, and

- the customer's name and contact details.
- You must keep these records for five years from the date the shooting activity took place.

Compliance Expectations

- Your business must ensure:
 - firearms are used only by authorised and competent people,
 - all services are performed safely, responsibly, and in accordance with animal welfare obligations and
 - firearms are stored, transported, and used in line with all relevant legal requirements.

References to Legislation:

Legislation	Relevant Provision
<i>Firearms Act 2024</i>	Sections 52
<i>Firearms Regulations 2024</i>	Regulations 78-80, 81