



Firearm Storage

Information Sheet

Important Information: Firearm Storage

This Information Sheet provides essential guidance on the imminent changes brought about by the *Firearms Act 2024*.

Once enacted, new firearm laws will significantly impact both current firearm licence holders and all new firearm licence applicants, particularly in relation to changes in firearm licence types and who can obtain or retain a licence.

Firearm Storage Requirements

The new legislation will introduce stringent requirements for Firearm and Ammunition Storage, based on factors including:

- Licence Type
- Storage Location
- Firearm Category
- Number of firearms

Existing Gun Cabinets

Some currently approved storage may remain valid, depending on the number of firearms and firearm categories stored. However, obtaining additional or replacement firearms will necessitate upgrading storage facilities.

Multiple Storage Locations

Each storage location must meet the specified storage requirements.

Non-Compliant Storage

If existing storage does not comply with the new requirements, acquiring and installing new cabinet(s) will be necessary.

Ammunition Storage

Ammunition must be stored separately from firearms, as per existing requirements.

Requirements for New Firearm Holders

New firearm licence applicants must adhere to the new legislation, including:

- Submission of a storage statement declaration detailing storage specifications.
- Providing photographs of each approved location, with GPS coordinates attached.

CCTV and Alarm Systems

The necessity for CCTV and/or alarm systems depends on factors such as the number and category of firearms, location, and occupancy.

More details of storage requirements will become available once the new regulations have been developed.

Actions to Take with Your Firearms

If you anticipate that you will not be able to meet these future requirements, you should consider the following options:

- Sell your firearms through a licensed Firearms Dealer
- Utilise the Firearm Amnesty and relinquish your firearms to the police
- You will not receive any remuneration for firearms relinquished under the Firearms Amnesty.

Failure to relinquish your firearms will result in police seizure.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For further information and frequently asked questions, visit the [Police WA Firearms Help Centre](#).

Link to relevant Legislation [Firearms Act 2024](#)

Progress of the Act containing the *Firearm Act 2024* can be obtained from: [The Parliamentary of WA Website](#).

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