Important Information: Mandatory Training

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.

Mandatory Training in Firearm Safety and Awareness

It will be a requirement for all new firearm applicants to successfully complete approved mandatory training.

Why is the Training Necessary?

Mandatory training is essential to ensure public safety in connection with the possession and use of firearms in the community.

What Does the Training Entail?

The mandatory training consists of two parts:

- Part 1: Online Theory and Assessment
- Part 2: Practical Competency

How is Practical Competency Assessed?

Safe handling will be assessed at licensed firearms dealers.

Frequency of Training:

The mandatory training is a one-time requirement.

Can Current Licence Holders Complete the Online Training?

Yes, current licence holders are eligible to complete the online training.

Are There Fees Associated with the Training?

Yes, there will be a fee payable to the training provider.

Will I Receive a Certificate?

- Upon successful completion, you will be issued a certificate.
- During the application process you will be required to provide a Certificate ID and date of issue.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

For further information and frequently asked questions, visit the <u>Police WA Firearms Help Centre</u>.

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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