

Important Information: Primary Producer

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.

Who Can Apply for a Primary Producer Firearm Licence?

To meet the requirements of a Primary Producer Licence, the applicant must register their land as a primary production land holding, have a registered business for primary production purposes as defined by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), and meet all other licensing requirements.

Authority Conferred by a Primary Producer Licence

- Firearms licensed under a Primary Producer Licence can be used on the licence holder's primary production land by the licence holder and authorised persons under the licence.
- Firearms licensed under a Primary Producer Licence can be used by the licence holder and authorised persons under the licence on other primary production land for primary production purposes with permission from the landowner.
- The Primary Producer Licence holder is deemed to have a hunting licence and can use all 10 firearms for hunting on suitable land they have written authority for.

Numerical Limit

• A Primary Producer Licence has a maximum numerical limit of 10.

Use by Family Members and Staff

- Family members and employees need to become Authorised Persons under the new legislation to retain access to firearms under the Primary Producer Licence.
- Individuals approved as Authorised Persons and listed against the Primary Producer licence can utilise the registered firearms for Primary Production purposes only.

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 <u>Police WA Firearms Help</u> <u>Centre</u>.

Link to relevant Legislation Firearms Act 2024

Progress of the Act containing the *Firearm Act 2024* can be obtained from: <u>The Parliamentary of WA Website</u>.

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