



Activity Information & Parental Permission Form

(All Range Activities) Version 2023



Written parental permission is needed before a young person can take part in any range activity. Lower section is to be filled in by parent or guardian and returned to the appropriate Leader.

Activity information

At Blackhills

Air rifle shooting
Archery
Axe Throwing

Off-Site (Commercial Sites)

Air pistol shooting Clay pigeon shooting
Shotguns on a range Rifle shooting
Laser shooting

Additional information

This is an annual consent form for the holder and allows participation in the above activities under the supervision of a suitably qualified person.

Leader Contact telephone No

If any additional information is required please do not hesitate to contact the Leader of the activity.

Parent or Guardian's consent

I, being the parent/guardian of the person named below, declare that he/she is not subject to restriction by virtue of Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (which applies only to persons who have served a term of imprisonment or youth custody) and give permission for:

Name of Young Person to take part in the proposed aforementioned activities without further notification. Permission may be revoked at any time by either the District or the parent/guardian.

Please state if he/she has a disability or medical condition relevant to this activity:

Please indicate details of any medical treatment they are receiving at the moment:

Contact details in the event of an emergency:

Name

Telephone

Relationship

Name Signature Date

Extracts from the Firearms Act 1968

'Section 21'

(1) A person who has been sentenced (to custody for life or) to preventive detention, or to imprisonment or to corrective training for a term of three years or more (or to youth custody, or detention in a young offender institution) for such a term, or who has been sentenced to be detained for such a term in a young offenders institution in Scotland, shall not at any time have a firearm or ammunition in his possession.

(2) A person who has been sentenced to imprisonment for a term of three months or more but less than three years (or to youth custody, or detention in a young offender institution) for such a term, or who has been sentenced to be detained for such a term in a detention centre or in a young offenders institution in Scotland, shall not at any time before the expiration of the period of five years from the date of his release have a firearm or ammunition in his possession.

This means:

Section 21 prohibits the possession of a firearm and ammunition (under any circumstances), by any person who has been convicted of a crime and sentenced to a term of imprisonment (or its equivalent for young persons) of 3 months or more. The prohibition applies in all circumstances, including handling and firing at an approved shooting club or at a clay pigeon shoot where a certificate is not ordinarily required. It also applies to the possession or use of other categories of firearms and ammunition such as AIRGUNS or shot cartridges for which a certificate is not needed.

A sentence of 3 months to 3 years attracts a 5 year prohibition, shorter ones no prohibition but a longer one means a life ban.

Shooting at targets representing human beings or animals is not permitted as part of any Scout activity, nor on property owned or leased by, or used in the name of, the Scout Movement.

In no circumstances may any person handling any firearm at any Scout premises, campsite, camp or Scout project or expedition indulge in indiscriminate firing.

Members may practice shooting with air weapons of .177 inch (4.5mm) calibre or less which do not require a Firearms Certificate (except that in Northern Ireland a Firearms Certificate is always required) as follows:

The ranges must be properly constructed to comply with guidelines issued by the NSRA or the NRA and with any by laws relevant to the location of the range.

The guns used must not be of an automatic nature.

The pellets used must be 'diablo shaped' and of soft deformable metal such as lead.

The Range Officer must hold one of the qualifications listed within P.O.R and if any of those shooting under the age of 14, the Range Officer or another person supervising participants in the activity must be aged not less than 21.

For a temporary range, the Range Officer shall proscribe appropriate range safety and other rules, taking account of the particular circumstances of the range.

In the event of any photographs being taken it is assumed that unless expressed to the contrary, in writing, that the person named overleaf can be photographed. These photographs may be published in Scouting magazine, local or national newspapers and used on the Blackhills Scout Campsite website.

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