

Memberships, Licences and Permits for Firearms, Hunting, Harvesting and Deer Controllers

This document has been prepared to help you to more easily identify and recognise a range of hunting, control and harvesting permits, licences and memberships and understand what these allow the holder to do.

Firearms Licences for Victoria

Category A & B Longarm Licence
VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

Name
Address
Suburb

REASONS: Hunting

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EXPIRES **27-Nov-2017** LICENCE NUMBER
Licence Number

Born DOB

A firearms licence is available to those who are able to demonstrate a 'genuine reason' for a firearm licence, and have completed the relevant firearm safety course, plus other requirements.

The genuine reasons are noted on the licence (circled in red to highlight). These include 'Hunting', 'Hunting, Vermin and Feral Animal Control', or 'Professional Hunter'. There are also categories for Municipal Officers (e.g. Rangers), Primary Production, Target Shooting, and more.

A '**Primary Production**' licence enables the holder to manage vertebrate pests on their own farming land only.

Category A & B Longarm Licence
VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

Name
Address
Suburb

REASONS: Hunting, Vermin and Feral Animal Control

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EXPIRES **14 Feb 2022** LICENCE NUMBER
Licence Number

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A '**Hunting**' licence is approved for applicants who have demonstrated to Victoria Police that they own or manage or have permission from the landholder to hunt on the land, or are a member of an approved shooting club/organisation, or are a holder of a game licence under the Wildlife Act, or have written evidence that they are formally employed, engaged or contracted to shoot pest animals or take game, or have written acknowledgement from DELWP that they have expressed interest in hunting game on Crown / Public land. *This type of licence would be the main one that a volunteer shooter would be likely to provide for deer control on private property or for recreational hunting on public land.*

'**Vermin**' controllers have a public place permit issued for the reasons of Vermin and pest animal control.

Category D Longarm Licence
VICTORIA AUSTRALIA

Name

Special Conditions: N

REASONS: Professional Hunter

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EXPIRES **03 Dec 2022** LICENCE NUMBER
Licence Number

Born DOB


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'**Professional Hunters**' are substantially dependant on hunting as their source of income and they enter into formal engagements or contracts to hunt professionally.

Vermin and Professional Hunter licences will generally be held by professional animal controllers.

Public Place Permit (12 months, Victoria-wide)

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VICTORIA POLICE

PUBLIC PLACE PERMIT

This Permit is Valid on: 24/06/2020

Permit Number: [REDACTED]
Date of Issue: 24/06/2020
Date of Expiry: 24/06/2021

VICTORIAN FIREARMS LICENCE: [REDACTED]
Licence Expiry Date: 14/02/2022

[REDACTED]


ISSUED BY:
LICENSING & REGULATION DIVISION

The purpose of this permit is to allow the possession, carriage and use of Category A&B firearms for Vermin Control.

This permit issued to [REDACTED] authorises employees licensed with a reason of vermin control to possess, carry and use category A&B firearms, as authorised under Section 130 (3) of the *Firearms Act 1996*. The permit holder must ensure that, in a public place, firearms are only possessed, carried and used subject to the conditions set out below.

1. Only using firearms and ammunitions relevant to the performance of the specified task and the specific licence issued;
2. Only at locations approved by the Divisional Firearms Officer or Officer in Charge of a Police Station closer to the location of the shoot occurring;
3. In compliance with Victoria's Firearms Legislation, Statute and Regulations;
4. Appropriate notification must be provided to local police or police communication centre prior to the commencement of any shooting activities;
5. Signage visible to the public, warning of shooting activities being undertaken in the vicinity, must be erected;
6. Shooting activities which is in a manner that is not with reckless disregard for safety of any person and ensure that the firearms are not lost or stolen;
7. All discharge of firearms is contained within the safety area, directed inwards and away from structures, roads and residential area that border the site;
8. The permit holder is to adhere to the site specific Job Safety Analysis Worksheet;
9. The permit holder is to adhere to the Operating Procedures for firearms;
10. The permit holder is to ensure public safety for the duration of the shooting periods;
11. The permit holder or employee(s) to hold a Level one (1) first aid accreditation;
12. The permit holder is to ensure that a letter of employment/contract signed by CEO or equivalent is made available to the Divisional Firearms Officer upon request;
13. The permit holder is to ensure that a safety procedure for the location of the shoot is made available to the Divisional Firearms Officer upon request;
14. The permit holder is to ensure that a plan of the site and notification of the type of buildings in the vicinity of the shoot is made available to the Divisional Firearms Officer upon request;
15. When shooting Protected Wildlife the licensed shooter/s must have the appropriate authorisation or permit issued under the *Wildlife Act 1975*;
16. The activity is covered by a current public liability insurance held by the licence holder of the activity or client is made available to the Divisional Firearms Officer upon request;
17. A risk assessment of the location is to be carried out prior to commencement of activity and provided to the Divisional Firearms Officer (where possible);
18. The permit holder must make a new application for a permit 28 days prior to the expiry of the permit; and
19. A permit to possess, carry or use a firearm in a public place may be cancelled at any time by the Chief Commissioner of Police.

For further information, please contact Licensing & Regulation Division on 1300 651 645.


Joshua Talbot
VPSG 2
Licensing & Regulation Division

These permits enable a pest animal or vermin controller or professional hunter to carry and use a firearm in a public place, which includes private land in built up areas.

Determination of whether a property is a 'public place' is made by the District Firearms Officer.

When a Public Place Permit is required to carry and use a firearm on a property, the controller will need to have a Job Safety Analysis worksheet and a Shoot Plan specific for the control property, and a Standard Operating Procedure all approved by Victoria Police, and that the permit holder notifies the nearest Police Station prior to works.

Silencer / Suppressor Permit examples

VP Form

SILENCER PERMIT

THIS PERMIT IS NOT VALID UNTIL THE FEE IS PAID AND THE PERMIT IS ENDORSED WITH PROOF OF PAYMENT

THIS PERMIT EXPIRES ON 09-Sep-2020

Category A & B Longarm Licence : Licence


Permit Number	Date Issued
1	22-Aug-2017

Name

Address

Suburb

AMOUNT PAID \$ 84.50



Full name and address.....

being the holder of Category A & B Longarm Licence Licence Number is hereby authorised to possess, carry and use silencers, under the conditions listed on the following page of this permit.

General Conditions:

All silencers must be stored in accordance with the firearm storage requirements detailed at Item 2, Schedule 4, of the Firearm Act 1996.

You must allow a member of the police force to inspect your storage arrangements at any reasonable time.

You must notify the Chief Commissioner of any change of address within 7 days after the change occurs.

You must take reasonable precautions to ensure that the silencers are not lost or stolen. If silencers are lost or stolen, you must notify the Chief Commissioner within 24 hours of the event.

All silencers possessed must have a Licensing & Regulation Division allocated serial number stamped onto the device and clearly visible.

Silencers are not to be modified from the manufacturer's specifications.

Within 7 days prior to the use of silencers you must send a written risk assessment for each site to Licensing & Regulation Division.

You must send a written monthly silencer report to Licensing & Regulation Division, by the 7th day of the next month, containing the dates of the usage, manufacture or sale, the categories and calibres of firearms used, the locations where firearms were used and the purposes they were used for. If silencers were not used then they must be included in the report with 'no use'.

This permit may be cancelled or varied at any time by the Chief Commissioner.

You are only authorised to use a silencer in the course of employment as a professional hunter and vermin control operator.

This permit is only valid from 22-Aug-2017 until 09-Sep-2020 under Category A & B Longarm Licence.

General Conditions:

All silencers must be stored in accordance with the firearm storage requirements detailed at Item 2, Schedule 4, of the Firearm Act 1996.

You must allow a member of the police force to inspect your storage arrangements at any reasonable time.

You must notify the Chief Commissioner of any change of address within 7 days after the change occurs.

You must take reasonable precautions to ensure that the silencers are not lost or stolen. If silencers are lost or stolen, you must notify the Chief Commissioner within 24 hours of the event.

All silencers possessed must have a Licensing & Regulation Division allocated serial number stamped onto the device and clearly visible.

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This permit may be cancelled or varied at any time by the Chief Commissioner.

This Permit issued authorises appropriate licensed employees to use silencers in the course of employment.

A silencer permit is usually only available to those with an occupational need for them; to reduce hearing damage and to mitigate neighbour noise complaints.

Silencers (also known as suppressors or moderators) are attached to a firearm barrel, and they reduce the sound heard by modulating the speed and pressure of the propellant gas which is used to expel the projectile (bullet). They also reduce the firearm's recoil.

Suppressors don't remove the sound of the projectile moving through the air, which can be quite loud in itself. So you will still hear the sound of the bullet whizzing through the air.

It is rather misleadingly to call these devices 'silencers', as the sound reduction may be around only 30-40%.


VICTORIA POLICE

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30 April 2018

EXPIRY DATE: 14/02/2022

PERMIT TO POSSESS, CARRY AND USE SILENCERS
Firearms Act 1996

I, Patrick Feley, VPSG 3, Licensing & Regulation Division, pursuant to the powers delegated to me by the Chief Commissioner of Police vide Section 176, *Firearms Act 1996*, hereby authorise pursuant to Section 57 *Firearms Act 1996*, [redacted], to purchase, possess, carry and use silencers subject to the compliance with the following conditions:

- This permit issued to [redacted] authorises the use of silencers with category A and B firearms.
- All silencers must be stored in accordance with the firearm storage requirements detailed at Item 2, Schedule 4, *Firearms Act 1996*.
- The holder of the permit must permit a member of the police force to inspect the holder's storage arrangements at any reasonable time.
- The holder of the permit must notify the Chief Commissioner of any change of the address that appears on the permit within 7 days after the change occurs.
- The holder of the permit must take reasonable precautions to ensure that the silencers are not lost or stolen. If in the case the silencers are lost or stolen, the holder of the permit must notify the Chief Commissioner within 24 hours of the event.
- All silencers possessed are to have a unique serial number stamped onto it. This is to be clearly visible and the permit holder will contact the Licensing & Regulation Division to advise of the serial numbers possessed.
- Silencers are not to be modified from the manufacturer's specifications.
- The holder of this permit is only authorised to use a silencer in the course of employment as a professional hunter and vermin control operator with Victorian Pest Animal Control in the state of Victoria. Employees of [redacted] with a Category A & B Longarm Licence with a reason of vermin control are also covered by the conditions of this permit.
- Prior to the use of the silencer a written risk assessment for each site must be prepared by the permit holder and forwarded to the Licensing & Regulation Division, within 7 days of the commencement of the use of the silencer.
- The holder of this permit must forward a written monthly silencer usage report to the Licensing & Regulation Division, by the 7th day of the following month.
- The monthly silencer usage report must contain the date/s of the usage, the category of firearm/s used, the calibre of the firearm/s used, the location where firearm/s are used and the type of bird/animal used against.
- If the silencer is not used during a calendar month the permit holder must forward a 'no use' written notification to the Licensing & Regulation Division, by the 7th day of the following month.
- This permit is only valid from 30th April 2018 until 14th February 2022 under Firearm Licence [redacted].
- This permit may be cancelled or varied at any time by the Chief Commissioner.


Patrick Feley
VPSG 3
Firearms Dealer Transactions and Permits
Licensing & Regulation Division

www.police.vic.gov.au

Game Licence Victoria for Deer



Game licences are issued to firearm licence holders to recreationally hunt specified species during the day (half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset), following the principles of 'fair chase' which prohibits the use of spotlights. Hunting can be undertaken in areas such as State Forests and Game reserves and on private land with the landholder's permission.

More information: www.gma.vic.gov.au/hunting/deer/where-to-hunt and www.gma.vic.gov.au/hunting/deer/ethical-hunting

Australian Deer Association (ADA)

Deer Management Program Accreditation letter

Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia (SSAA)

Club membership card

Australian Deer Association Victoria
Deer Management Program Accreditation

This letter is to confirm that [redacted] has been accredited under the Australian Deer Association Victoria Deer Management Program.

Accreditation, as approved by Parks Victoria, under this program requires that the applicant is trained and assessed as competent in the following competencies:

Firearm Safety: including the use of firearms in a Control Program as regulated by the PV-ADA protocol aimed at protecting the public, those involved in an operation and property in an operational area.

Animal Welfare: including the function and location of vital organs in deer and an understanding of the requirement to destroy the central nervous system of the target animal in the quickest and most humane manner possible; the application of the heart/lung and brain shots and the reason why the brain shot is impracticable for ground shooting for animal welfare reasons; other requirements as covered by the *Code of Practice for the Welfare of animals in Hunting*, and the *ADA Ground Shooting Deer Protocol*; the behaviour of animals reacting to shot and follow up of wounded animals.

Environmental Awareness: including the importance of minimising human impact on the environment, the importance of fire management and an understanding of the importance of managing human and vehicle access in sensitive areas.

Firearm Proficiency and Ballistic Selection: including the DMP hunter marksmanship qualification, that requires firers to achieve a minimum standard of 7 out of 8 shots at the heart lung area (150mm circle) of a fallow deer size target at the following distances:

- 2 shots @ 100 metres using a bench (self-supported) position
- 2 shots @ 100 metres using a standing post/tree supported or prone or standing unsupported position
- 2 shots @ 75 metres using a sitting or kneeling or standing unsupported position
- 2 shots @ 50 metres using a standing unsupported position

All marksmanship tests are fired with hunting rifles of .270 or larger calibre.

Navigation: including the determination of scale, reliability, terrain and magnetic declination from map sheets; how to compensate for magnetic declination; how to locate features on map sheets from grid references, plot a safe course and bypass obstacles and how human error affects navigation.

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Deer Management Committee – Chairman

ADA membership card



(front)



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SSAA Conservation and Pest Management Accreditation Card

MEMBERS LIABILITY INSURANCE

When you give permission to current SSAA members to shoot on your property you know that they have agreed to abide by the Association's Code of Conduct.

In addition, their actions are covered by the Association's \$20,000,000 Public Liability Insurance. The policy protects financial members for legal negligence while on public or private property anywhere in Australia (excluding professional hunting). SSAA Insurance Brokers Pty Limited specialises in shooting and rural insurance policies and services the community generally, not just members of SSAA.

Insurance enquiries should be directed to:

SSAA Insurance Brokers Pty Limited
 Insurance: Phone: 08 8332 0281 Membership: Phone: 02 8805 3900
 Fax: 08 8332 0303 Fax: 02 9832 9377

Examples of accreditation courses that may be undertaken.

Please note that there are other equivalent courses available in addition to the examples shown here. There is no obligation for a hunter to undertake these courses, but it may give you an indication that the holder of these permits is serious about improving their skills, qualifications and proficiencies.

The harvesting accreditation course can be undertaken by any hunter, but it is a requirement to become a certified Commercial Harvester through PrimeSafe.

Humane Destruction of animals with firearms

 **Firearm Safety & Training**

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STATEMENT OF ATTAINMENT

A STATEMENT OF ATTAINMENT IS ISSUED BY A REGISTERED TRAINING ORGANISATION WHEN AN INDIVIDUAL HAS COMPLETED ONE OR MORE ACCREDITED UNITS

This is a statement that:

<Full Name>
has attained:

AHCPMG304 - Use firearms to humanely destroy animals
*Incorporating Rimfire and Centrefire Firearms Tests
at Industry Standard for Humane Destruction*


In partial completion of the following qualification:

AMP30616- Certificate III in Meat Processing (General)
(Specialising in Commercial Kangaroo Harvesting)

21 June 2019


Signature of Authorised Firearm Safety & Training Officer: **<signature>**
Gary D Bryant,
General Manager

Statement of Attainment No: 2003515

 **NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING**

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Harvesting accreditation

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This is a statement that:

<Full Name>
has attained:

AMPG306 - Use firearms to harvest wild game
*Incorporating Rimfire and Centrefire Firearms Tests
at Industry Standard for Humane Destruction*


In partial completion of the following qualification:

AMP30616- Certificate III in Meat Processing (General)
(Specialising in Commercial Kangaroo Harvesting)


21 June 2019

Signature of Authorised Firearm Safety & Training Officer: **<Signature>**
Gary D Bryant,
General Manager

Statement of Attainment No: 2003514

 **NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING**

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 **Firearm Safety & Training**

Firearm Safety and Training Council

AHCPMG304
Use Firearms to Humanely Destroy Animals
<Full Name>

Accreditation Expires: 12-Apr-2023
Card No: 1111111

 **Firearm Safety & Training**

Firearm Safety and Training Council

**AMPG306 - Use Firearms to Harvest Wild Game and
Commercial Kangaroo Harvester**
<Full Name>

Accreditation Expires: 12-Apr-2023
Card No: 1111111

PrimeSafe licences required to operate as Game Meat Harvesters



CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL AS A GAME MEAT FIELD HARVESTER

PrimeSafe, having been satisfied that the person named below can provide an adequate, appropriate and efficient game field harvesting, and that the person named is appropriately qualified and having entered into an agreement with the person named pursuant to section 10 of the *Meat Industry Act 1993* hereby approves the person named to conduct field harvesting of game in the State of Victoria which may be carried out under the title of game meat field harvester.

Name of Game Meat Field Harvester

Approval Number: _____

Certificate of Approval as a Game Meat Field Harvester expires: **30 June 2020**

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DR BRENDAN TATHAM
Chief Executive Officer, PrimeSafe

The word 'harvesting' is often used by a hunter who takes deer carcasses for their own personal use.

The Certificates of Approval shown here from PrimeSafe enable a hunter / controller to to operate as a Game Meat Field Harvester and take carcasses to a PrimeSafe licenced meat processing facility (knackery) where they can then be paid per kilogram for deer provided.

This payment may enable a harvester to provide a free, discounted or rebated service to landholders, and may result in more deer being removed from the environment, as deer that would otherwise be in excess of personal use needs can then be utilised for pet food or human consumption.



LICENCE TO OPERATE A GAME MEAT PROCESSING FACILITY (HARVEST VEHICLE)

LICENCE No. _____

LICENSEE: _____

VEHICLE REGISTRATION NO.: _____

NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

NAME OF OPERATOR: _____

- This licence is issued for the period 05 Oct 2020 to 30 Jun 2021, subject to the conditions commencing on page 2 of this licence.
- Licence permits the harvesting of **Deer , Kangaroo**.

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DR BRENDAN TATHAM
Chief Executive Officer, PrimeSafe