



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (FORM 1)

Victorian Amateur Pistol Association Inc and

Club No.

DATE JOINED:

(2 days after LRD submission)

NEW APPLICATION

TRANSFER IN (check one)

PERSONAL INFORMATION OF APPLICANT

SURNAME: **DATE OF BIRTH:**

GIVEN NAMES: **PREFERRED NAME:**

HOME ADDRESS: **CITY/SUBURB:**

POST CODE: **PHONE (home):** **PHONE (mobile):**

POSTAL ADDRESS: **CITY/SUBURB:**

POST CODE: **EMAIL:**

DRIVERS LICENCE: **HANDGUN LICENCE:** **LONGARM LICENCE:**

EMPLOYER: **OCCUPATION:**

WORK ADDRESS: **WORK CONTACT:**

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: **CONTACT PHONE:**

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Under Section 123D of the *Firearms Act 1996*, an approved handgun target shooting club must not admit a person as a member unless a nominated officer of the club reasonably believes that that person has submitted to the club ([club to check the appropriate boxes](#)):

- Any records about that person kept by or on behalf of the Chief Commissioner or any person holding a position equivalent to that of the Chief Commissioner in the Commonwealth or in any other State or Territory of the Commonwealth.
 Confirm receipt of records if applicable: Confirm there are no records:
- Two character references from people who are of or over the age of 18 years, who are of good repute and who have known the person for a minimum of 2 years
 Confirm receipt of references:
- The names of any other approved handgun target shooting clubs of which that person is a member (list these below):

- Names of any other approved handgun target shooting clubs which, at any time in the 5 years immediately preceding the application, the applicant:
 - has applied to join:
 - has had a membership of:
 - has had a membership of cancelled or refused:
- On the form approved by the Chief Commissioner (eg Membership application form, or if necessary a list can be obtained from LRD)
 - details of all handguns owned or possessed by the applicant; Confirm receipt of firearms lists:
 - details of any handguns (not in the possession of the applicant) for which the applicant -
 - has applied for a permit to acquire
 - for which a permit to acquire has previously been refused

APPLICANTS DECLARATION:

I declare: I have not been subject to Epilepsy, blackouts or any similar condition affecting muscular control and co-ordination.
 I will abide by the laws of the State, the rules of the Victorian Amateur Pistol Association Inc. and of the Club.
 I will fulfil the obligations of good sportsmanship and comply with the rules for shooting as approved by the Victorian Amateur Pistol Association Inc.
 I am NOT a prohibited person as defined by the *Firearms Act 1996* (see overleaf).

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE: **DATE:**

CLUB OFFICIAL'S NAME: **CLUB OFFICIAL'S SIGNATURE:**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION continued

Attach passport sized photo:

This application must be completed in **duplicate** and handed to the Club Secretary with two passport standard photographs no more than 6 months old, which accurately reflects you as you currently appear.

High resolution photographs in jpeg format may also be submitted via email to:

who will forward to VAPA with your completed Form 1.

One copy of Form 1 and one photograph is to be retained by the Club. The other copy of Form 1 and photograph are to be forwarded to the Victorian Amateur Pistol Association Inc. (within ONE month) PO Box 298 Chirnside Park, Vic 3116. Alternatively scan and forward via email to secretary@vapa.org.au with attached jpg photo.

PROHIBITED PERSONS

The *Firearms Act 1996* provides that certain individuals or 'prohibited persons' may be barred from:

- Possessing, carrying or using a firearm
- Obtaining a firearm licence
- Retaining a firearm licence.

Section 3 of the *Firearms Act 1996* outlines the full range of offences, orders and court outcomes that could result in you being classified as a 'prohibited person'.

For specific legal advice, you should consult the Act or a legal professional.

Broadly however, there are two scenarios that result in a person becoming 'prohibited'. These are:

Certain criminal offences where the court outcomes include findings of guilt, convictions, community based orders or terms of imprisonment

- Family violence or stalking orders under the Family Violence Protection Act 2008, the *Personal Safety Intervention Orders Act 2010* and equivalent orders from other states.

Criminal offences

You will be considered 'prohibited' for 12 months if you are found guilty by any Australian state or territory court of:

- an offence against the *Firearms Act 1996* for which a court could impose a term of imprisonment
- an offence against any other act involving the possession or use of firearms and for which a court could impose a term of imprisonment
- an indictable offence.

Examples of prohibited offences and court results (PDF) are available at:

http://www.police.vic.gov.au/retrievemedia.asp?media_id=57196&status=active

Court orders

You will automatically be considered 'prohibited' if you are subject to a:

- Final order under the *Family Violence Protection Act 2008* or an order of a corresponding nature made in another state or territory
- Final order under the *Personal Safety Intervention Orders Act 2010* or an order of a corresponding nature made in another state or territory
- Supervised community based order under section 38(1)(b) of the *Sentencing Act 1991*
- Supervision order under section 26 of the *Crimes (Mental Impairment and Unfitness to be Tried) Act 1997*.

You are prohibited from the time the order commences until five years after the order has expired. Your ability to make an application to be deemed non-prohibited will depend in part on whether there are any firearm clauses attached to the order.

Reference: http://www.police.vic.gov.au/content.asp?Document_ID=34427