

Parental Consent Form for Air Rifle Shooting

Note: Air Rifle Shooting

On camp the Cubs, Scouts and Explorers will be taking part in air rifle shooting. Specific parental consent is required for this activity. (Before signing please read attached extracts printed below)

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.

I(print name) being the parent/guardian, give permission for(print name of Cub/Scout/Explorer) to take part in air-rifle shooting and I declare that he/she is not subject to restriction by virtue of the regulations set out in Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (extract printed below).

Signature

Date