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Our Reference: IR-01-18-12210

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I am writing to you in response to your email dated 28 September 2018. You said:

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## 6. Firearms Held

1. List firearms already possessed by the applicant which are held pursuant to a Permit to Procure or other requirement to advise police of firearms details. List may be supplied by applicant (checked to N.I.A by member of police).
2. Physically check firearms against details supplied by applicant, **AND** to N.I.A printout – applicant to sign N.I.A printout (with corrections as required).
3. Details of firearms in sporting configuration may be recorded. In any case the number of firearms in sporting configuration held by the applicant must be recorded, confirming that the security in place at time of inspection is commensurate for this number of firearms.

- *Where in law is this required?*
- *Specifically?*
- *What is to stop a shooter refusing to reveal the number of A category firearms owned to Police?*
- *Would refusal to renew license result?*
- *Would refusal to approve A category security result?*

All firearms licences are subject to the conditions in regulation 19 of the Arms Regulations 1992 relating to security precautions. As the form suggests, the reason Police checks the number of firearms at inspection is to ensure that the security arrangements in place are sufficient for the number of firearms held.

If Police is unsure whether a firearms licence applicant is able to securely and safely store their firearms then that will be a relevant consideration when evaluating whether the applicant is fit and proper to be possession of firearms.

For your information, Police has developed a process for proactive release of information, so the response to your request may be publicly released on the New Zealand Police website.

Yours sincerely



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