

## SSAA Mount Isa Branch



### GETTING A LICENCE

Obtaining a firearms licence is a pretty straight forward but involved process. Below you'll find some basic information on obtaining either your rifle or handgun licence. Should require more information you can contact your local branch or the Qld Police.

### RIFLE LICENCE (CATEGORY A & B)

#### STEP 1

You will need a genuine reason to obtain a Category A & B Firearms Licence. If you become a Member of S.S.A.A. you can then list your genuine reason as Sports & Target Shooting as we are an approved body prescribed under the law.

#### STEP 2

Contact your nearest Safety Course Instructor, and book in for a 10618NAT Weapons Act Safety Course. Please note you will need a Unique Student Identifier (USI) to complete the enrolment into the safety course. The USI is similar to a Tax File Number but is used for training organisations. You can apply online at the USI Website.

As it takes time for your Membership Card to arrive, and you need proof of Membership of an Association to apply for a licence, we suggest you Join Now.

#### STEP 3

When you have completed your Safety Course they will post to you a 'Statement of Attainment' this is your proof that you have successfully completed the Safety Course. A copy of this will be needed when you apply for your licence. While you are waiting for this to arrive go to your nearest photo shop (post office) and have 2 passport size photos taken, as these will have to be supplied with your application.

#### STEP 4

When you have everything you need to apply for your licence you have a couple of options. The QLD Police Service offer an online application system which is the preferred system and is much quicker. This is available at Queensland Police Service Application Site. However you also have the option to go to the Police Station nearest to you and ask for an 'Application for a Licence' Form 1 and a 'Proof of Identity' Form 30, or download them from the Queensland Police Service Website. Fill these in and pay the fees, the police station will then send them to the Weapons Licensing Branch where they will be processed. Have patience, as they will only be processed after 28 days.

#### STEP 5

When your licence arrives, you can then decide which firearm best suits your needs. Different types (we call them Disciplines) of shooting require different types of firearms, so try all the Disciplines that your Branch has, then decide on the firearm you want – don't make a hasty decision. When you have decided what you need, visit or call Your Gun Shop.

## HANDGUN LICENCE (CATEGORY H)

### STEP 1

Obtaining a handgun licence is different to the steps you need to get a rifle licence. Just being a member of S.S.A.A. is not enough, you need to be a member of a 'Pistol Section' of a S.S.A.A. Branch, or an 'Approved Club', most S.S.A.A. Branches have a pistol section. To join this 'Approved Club' you have to go to the Police Station and ask for a 'Pre Approval' application form, Form Q515. You fill this in and lodge it at the Police Station. Weapons Licensing Branch will process the form and send you back a letter authorising you to join a Club.

### STEP 2

When the letter comes back, you can then join the Pistol Section of a Branch. The Branch will advise you on what is required to join. You are now on probation for 6 months. During that time you have to attend a minimum of 3 Branch Competition Shoots, these shoots will be recorded on your Participation Record Card that the Branch will issue you when you join. At any time within the 6 months you can do a 10618NAT Weapons Act Safety Pistol Course, then when your 6 months are up you can apply for your licence.

### STEP 3

After you have sent your application form in, it will be processed after 28 days has passed from the date that you submitted it. So have patience.

### FEES (As of October 2024)

#### SSAA National Membership

Membership Category	Price
Adult - Fee includes a digital Australian Shooter	\$100.00
Adult - Fee includes a printed Australian Shooter	\$115.00
Pensioner - Fee includes a digital Australian Shooter	\$75.00
Pensioner - Fee includes a printed Australian Shooter	\$90.00
Junior - Includes both digital & printer Australian Shooter	\$27.00

**Website** - [www.ssaa.org.au/members/membership/](http://www.ssaa.org.au/members/membership/)

#### SSAA Mt Isa Branch Membership

Membership Category	Price
Adult A, B (Rifle)	\$85.00
Adult A, B & H (Rifle & Handgun)	\$120.00
Pensioner	\$50.00
Handgun Only (Must be an A,B Member)	\$35.00
Family (A, B)	\$110.00
Family (A, B & 1H)	\$145.00
Family A, B & 2H)	\$180

**Website** - [www.ssaamtisa.com/new-membership/](http://www.ssaamtisa.com/new-membership/)

## QLD Weapons Licencing fees

For new applications, you will need to add the application fee + the number of years your licence is issued for, e.g. new application for a firearms licence for five years will be \$117.61 + (\$38.85 x 5 years) = \$311.86.

Firearms licence (rifle) can be held for a maximum of 10 years and concealable firearms licence (handgun) 5 years before renewal

### Schedule of Fees as of 1 July 2023

Description	Price
Application Fee for a licence (New licence)	\$117.61
Firearms licence (Rifle) per year	\$17.86
Concealed Weapons licence (Handgun) per year	\$26.98

**Website** - [www.police.qld.gov.au/weapon-licensing/weapons-licensing-fees](http://www.police.qld.gov.au/weapon-licensing/weapons-licensing-fees)

## Firearm Safety Handling Course

Firearms Safety Handling courses (A,B & H) are run from time to time.

Rob Skelly runs the course check his Facebook Page for updates on when the courses are happening

**Facebook:** RAS Skills and Training

**Phone:** 0419 727 020

### Safety Course Fees

Class	Price
A & B (Rifle)	\$190.00
H (Concealed Weapon - Handgun)	\$190.00
A, B & H (Rifle & Concealed Weapon)	\$280.00

**Note:** Pricing as of October 2024. Subject to change