



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

NEW MEMBER INFORMATION PACK 2022/23

Dear Prospective Member,

Welcome to the Darwin Pistol Club (DPC) and congratulations on your decision to join our club. We offer one of the finest purpose-built shooting complexes in the country, together with a friendly and relaxed social atmosphere.

The Club currently conducts sanctioned competitions in nationally recognised target pistol shooting. Matches are conducted according to the Club Calendar. Main competition times are Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. You are encouraged to visit at those times to introduce yourself. We are a friendly mob, so don't be afraid to approach someone and ask for assistance.

Current Disciplines are:

- International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC)
- International Sports Shooting Federation (ISSF/UIT)
- ICORE
- Service Pistol
- Metallic Silhouette
- NRA Action

Should you decide to take up pistol shooting as a sport, it is a legislative requirement that you have a genuine reason for sports shooting by taking out Club membership and become licensed. Once you have joined the Club and obtained a H Class Permit, we will guide you through the process of participating in an approved safety course and competing in club competition. During this time the Club has pistols available for your use until you are able to acquire your own as per legislative requirements.

To join the Club, you must complete the application for Membership form and sign and date the declaration. Pay the appropriate Membership fee, provide two written character references (this is required as part of your application for a H Class Shooters Permit), and provide a current photo. Junior applicants 12 years and over must provide written confirmation of support from parent or guardian who will be required to accompany the Junior member on all attendances at the Club.

The Darwin Pistol Club does not charge a joining fee. Membership is from 1 July to 30 June. The current membership fee structure is:

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| FULL/ORDINARY \$260 | FAMILY/STUDENT \$110 | SENIOR/CONCESSION \$130 | JUNIOR (12-17YRS) \$30 | ASSOCIATE \$130 |
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Pro rata fees are available after January of that year.

Once you have obtained your H Class Sport Shooters Permit/License and to maintain this, you are required to attend and compete in PISTOL SHOOTING COMPETITIONS and keep a RECORD OF PARTICIPATION. This means you are required to attend a minimum of 12 sanctioned shoots per year, and at least 3 shoots per quarter throughout that year. If for any legitimate reason you are unable to fulfil this requirement, you must immediately notify the club of your circumstances in writing prior to the event occurring. Your record of participation will need to be produced when renewing Club membership.

Further, you will be required to obtain CAPITATION with peak body(ies) of the discipline(s) that you participate in. You will need to provide proof or your capitation to enable you to receive certificates in support of your membership, permit, licence and purchasing applications. Further information can be obtained from the appropriate discipline representative or membership secretary. A shooting calendar is available on request.

We look forward to seeing you at the Range.



APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please Print

Form with fields: LAST NAME, GIVEN NAMES, Date of Birth, Phone Contact, Residential Address, Postal Address, Email, Occupation, Employer

SHOOTER LICENCE DETAILS:

Table with 4 columns: Classes, Place of issue, Expiry, Licence No.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE: (circle) Full Senior/Concession Family Junior Student Associate

IN COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP, YOU MUST DECLARE AND STATE THAT:

I am a resident of the Northern Territory. I have no criminal history that would prevent the NT Commissioner of Policy issuing a "H CLASS" Firearms licence. I undertake to provide the Darwin Pistol Club with a Criminal History Check provided through the NT Police. I acknowledge that submitting this application and the prescribed membership fee does not constitute acceptance of the application and that acceptance or rejection is at the sole discretion of the Darwin Pistol Club Committee in accordance with the Club's constitution.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

How did you hear about the Darwin Pistol Club?

Are you currently a member of another Shooter's Club? YES/NO Name of club.....

Are you Affiliated with a Peak Body? YES/NO please circle: IPSC PNT SSAA Other.....

If not, what Peak Body will you join:

PROPOSER AND SECONDER:

We, and being the proposer and seconder, respectively and being financial members of the Darwin Pistol Club, support the above applicant's application for membership.

Signature of proposer:

Signature of seconder:

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Checklist:

- Form completed fully and signed
2 references received
Photo received
Fee received and receipted
Certificate of Membership issued

Amount Received \$.....GST Included on / /

Being for Membership Fee \$..... other: \$.....

Payment Type..... Receipt No. #.....

Entered on Club Database: / / By: _____



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

Welcome to the Darwin Pistol Club

- The Club conducts sanctioned competitions in nationally recognised pistol shooting.
- Matches are conducted according to the Club Calendar.
- Main competition times are Tuesdays from 7pm and Sundays from 9am and ICORE on Saturdays.
- You are encouraged to visit at those times to introduce yourself.
- We are a friendly mob, so don't be afraid to approach someone and ask for assistance.

Current Disciplines

- International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC)
- Service Pistol
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You must have a GENUINE REASON to obtain a H CLASS SPORT SHOOTERS PERMIT

GENUINE REASON – You must be a member of an approved FIREARMS CLUB, with a certificate that proves that you are a current and active financial member of the club and is attending the required number of shoots in that financial year, you are required to compete in the sport and regularly participate in the sanction shoots and record these appropriately.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Membership FORM and REFERENCES** - complete the attached form with personal details/data.
 - Sign the declaration and date the form.
 - Include two written references from people who have known you for more than 2 years, this is important and required as part of your application for a H Class Shooters licence.
 - Get two full members to Propose and Second application.
 - Include one small passport size photo
 - Junior applicants must provide written certificate of support from parent or guardian - Junior members must be accompanied by a parent or guardian on all attendance at the Club.

REFERENCES ARE REQUIRED AS PART OF ISSUING THE CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP TO PRODUCE TO FIREARMS UNIT TO OBTAIN THE H CLASS LICENCE

2. FEE

The Darwin Pistol Club does not charge a joining fee. Membership is until the 30 June of the year you join, then to remain a financial member of DPC, renewal of membership for the following year is required before the 30 June of that year.

The current membership fee structure is:

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| Full/Ordinary Member \$260 | Family/Student \$110 | Senior/Concession \$130 | Junior (12-17yrs) \$30 | Associate \$130 |
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Pro rata fee is available after January for new members only

MUST receive payment, form, references and photo for the membership application to be complete, once this is received, you will be issued with:

3. CERTIFICATE OF CLUB MEMBERSHIP

The Certificate of Club Membership is the Club support of Application for a PERMIT to use Category H Firearm under supervision (FORM PF474A) and must be signed by an approved signatory of Darwin Pistol Club.

WHERE TO LODGE: The Palmerston Police Station is the place to submit your FORM PF474A. At this time you will be required to complete a PF444 and submit with 100 points of identification. The Firearms Unit will do a full criminal history check for every application.

4. CATEGORY H SPORTS SHOOTERS PERMIT

The PERMIT is posted to you. The usual processing time is 28 days. On receipt of this PERMIT you must make arrangements to undertake a SAFETY AND HOLSTER COURSE with the Discipline Representative of the DISCIPLINE that you wish to participate in. Remembering that to maintain a H CLASS Permit/licence you are required to participate in the sport.



Always carry your permit or licence with you when at the range. You could be asked at any time to present it.

5. SAFETY AND HOLSTER COURSE

On receiving your permit, you must satisfactorily complete a Safety and Holster Course. This is depended on the discipline that you are to participate in. You are required to come to the Club and introduce yourself to the Discipline Representative when you receive your permit. The best times are Sunday mornings.

While you have this permit you will be required to participate under supervision for a minimum of three months, approximately 10 attendances, during which time you are required to complete a Holster Proficiency/Safety Course. Near the end of your 3 months permit period your **ATTENDANCE, SAFETY and ATTITUDE** will be assessed and you will, unless the assessment is UNSATISFACTORY, be given a **Certificate of Support for Application for a H Class Shooters Licence PF474B**.

6. PERMISSION TO STORE

Further to receiving a PF474B, you will be required to present a Permission to Store Firearms Notice – PF492. This is required so that you can satisfy the Safe Storage Provision of the *Firearms Act and Regulations*. Darwin Pistol Club will provide a signed form for storage at the Club. It is a requirement of licence that safe storage be provided at the time of the application.

7. PARTICIPATION IN THE SPORT

Once you have obtained your H Class Sport Shooters Permit/License and to maintain this, you are required to attend and compete in **PISTOL SHOOTING COMPETITIONS** and keep a **RECORD OF PARTICIPATION**. This means you are required to attend a minimum of 12 sanctioned shoots per year, and at least 3 shoots per quarter throughout that year. *If for any legitimate reason you are unable to fulfil this requirement, you should immediately notify the club of your circumstances in writing prior to the event occurring. Your record of participation will need to be produced when renewing Club membership in June.*

8. USE OF CLUB FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION

During the three months permit period, new members have access to club firearms to complete the mandatory Holster Proficiency/Safety Course. When using the club firearms, only club ammunition is permitted and this is available at the club for a fee. For a limited time when you receive your licence, further arrangements can be made to continue to use club firearms until you are able to obtain your own.

9. PURCHASE OF FIREARMS

The licence category you are applying for is dependent on the type of firearms that you can own, propose to acquire or use and must be relevant to your 'Genuine Reason'. You must provide supporting documents justifying the 'Genuine Reason' or 'Genuine Need' applicable to the licence category. To purchase you will be required to have a **CERTIFICATE OF FIREARM CLUB MEMBERSHIP** – Support of Application to Purchase Category H Firearm. For a permit to be granted to use in a specially accredited discipline you must be a member of the national or international body that administers that discipline. You can apply for an application to purchase after you have held your H Class Licence for more than 6 months.

10. CAPITATION REQUIREMENTS

You will be required to be affiliated by obtaining capitation with a peak body(ies) of the discipline(s) that you participate in ie IPSC, PNT, ICORE, SSAA. You will need to provide proof of your capitation to enable you to receive certificates in support of your permit, licence and purchasing applications and renewing your membership with DARWIN PISTOL CLUB. Further information can be obtained from the appropriate discipline representative or membership secretary. Capitation/Affiliation with a peak body is separate to maintaining your membership with the Darwin Pistol Club and is your responsibility.

11. DRESS CODE

It is mandatory that all members and visitors to the range complex observe the safety and protective apparel requirements as posted on the range. This includes protective hearing, eyesight and footwear. Offensive slogans or logos on clothing is prohibited. Camouflage or Paramilitary style clothing is prohibited.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT TO REMAIN FINANCIAL WITH THE DARWIN PISTOL CLUB YOU WILL NEED TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP BEFORE THE 30 JUNE EACH YEAR