

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



Surname _____

Forename _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____

Postcode _____ Telephone: _____

E-mail _____

PLEASE READ THE NOTES OVERLEAF BEFORE COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

Have you lived at your present address for less than one year?	YES/NO If YES give previous address
Are you now, or have you ever been, a member of a gun club?	YES/NO If YES give Club and Secretary's Name & Address
Have you ever been refused membership of a gun club, or had membership revoked?	YES/NO If YES give details
Do you hold, or have you ever held a Firearms Certificate?	YES/NO If YES give No., Expiry date and Issuing Authority
Have you ever been refused a Shotgun or Firearms Certificate, or had a Certificate revoked	YES/NO If YES give details
Name and address of one person for a reference. The referee must know the applicant personally.

DECLARATION

I certify that the information given above is correct, and further declare that I am not prohibited from possessing or using firearms under section 21 of the Firearms (Amendment) Act of 1968. If accepted I agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations of the Club, and give my consent for the Club or it's representative to hold, process, or disclose any data considered relevant to my application (and if accepted, membership).

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Note: The Committee reserve the right to refuse membership and is under no obligation to give reasons, nor do applicants have the right of appeal. Membership may be terminated for a breach of Club Rules.

The applicant must be proposed by a Full Member of the Club, who may not also provide a reference.

Proposer _____ Sig. _____ Date _____

Please return this application to the Range Officer, together with a means of identification (i.e. Driving licence, FAC, etc.) and the application fee.

Current fees £25.00 adults, £12.50 juniors (under eighteen at the time of application.)

Club Use Only

Identification produced. _____ Fee paid £ _____ Date _____

Comments _____

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS APPLICATION IS RECORDED IN THE APPLICATIONS REGISTER

NOTES TO APPLICATION FORM

Under Home Office criteria all applicants, unless Firearm Certificate holders, must serve a minimum probationary period of three months prior to acceptance as a Full Member, and must receive a period of instruction in firearms safety. Until such time as their initial application is accepted access to firearms and ammunition is prohibited by law. FAC holders are exempt from the above restrictions, but must serve a probationary period at the discretion of the Club's committee.

REFERENCES

The named referee must be a person who knows the applicant personally. Business or employment references are not suitable. The applicant must also be sponsored by a Full Member of the Club, who may not also supply the personal reference. Persons under 16 must have the consent of their parents.

In the case of minors we will be happy to accept references from parents. The reference will also serve as a parental consent form

DECLARATION

SECTION 21

It is a criminal offence for someone who is prohibited under section 21 of the 1968 Firearms (Amendment) Act to have a firearm in his possession at any time. Section 21 applies to anyone who has been sentenced to imprisonment, or detention in a young offender institution for three months or more. The period for which they are prohibited is five years for sentences of three months to three years, and life prohibition if the sentence is over three years.

DATA PROTECTION ACT

To avoid the costs of registering under the Data Protection Act it is necessary to have your consent to hold, process, and disclose details relevant to your application and membership. The information held is purely that relevant to your Membership, and disclosure of such information is normally restricted to the Club's committee. There are certain exceptions to this,

- 1 To generate membership lists for subscriptions and attendances, and to record payments and attendances
- 2 To supply details of ability, either by class or average, to third party league and competition organisers
- 3 to supply information covered in the statutory and rule of law definitions in the Data Protection Act, which are exempt from the non-disclosure rules. Currently these only apply to our obligation to notify Membership and attendance figures to the Police Authority.

You are entitled at any time to request details of any personal data held by the Club. A nominal fee may be payable for such a request.

The Secretary is the Club's representative under the Act

FEES

The application fee is £25.00 (juniors under eighteen £12.50) to cover the first six months of membership, and all administration costs. Upon acceptance as a Full Member the applicant will be asked to pay the balance of the year's subscription at a pro rata rate of £40.00 per annum (£20.00 under eighteen).

IDENTIFICATION

Some form of identification will be required to submit the application, i.e. driving licence, passport, or similar.

SUBMISSION

For security reasons we are not prepared to divulge a Member's address; therefore all applications must be submitted in person at the range.

Parkstone Gun Club is a Home Office Approved gun club with facilities and equipment for those applicants interested in target shooting as a sport. Disciplines covered are:

.22 Prone Rifle	.22 Sporting Rifle
Air Rifle	Air Pistol

Club target rifles and air weapons are available free of charge, and training in their use will be available. Following legislation prohibiting cartridge pistols of all types the Club has transferred its pistol activities to sporting rifle.

The Club also has an interest in Centre-Fire Rifle, but facilities for this are somewhat restricted and events are unlikely to be held more than once or twice a year.

Under current legislation it is necessary for new applicants to apply for Club Membership before being allowed to handle or use firearms or live ammunition. The fee for such an application is £17.50 to cover a six month probationary period, and applicants must be sponsored by a current Full Member and provide a suitable reference. Air weapons are exempt from this legislation and applicants may use these immediately providing the range officer considers you are competent to handle them safely. Providing the reference is satisfactory, after a brief period of instruction in safe handling and use, the applicant will be entitled to use firearms under supervision.

Current FAC holders are exempt from the handling and use restrictions but must serve a discretionary probationary period.

Upon acceptance as a Full Member the balance of the Annual Subscription calculated at the pro rata rate of £40.00 per annum will fall due. Range fees are £2.50 per visit. There is a 50% discount on subscriptions and range fees for under eighteen's.

Applicants of sixteen years or under must be accompanied by their parents when using the Club or applying for Membership. A form is available from the Range Officer, and parents are welcome to satisfy themselves as to the Club's safety before completing.

OPERATING PERIODS	Prone Rifle	Sport Rifle & Air Weapons
8.00 -11.00pm	Wednesday	Monday & Friday