

## **STANDARD CONDITIONS OF AUTHORISATION OF A YOUNG SHOOTER TO SHOOT ON BISLEY RANGES**

These standard conditions apply to:

A member aged under 14 (“Young shooter”) of a Home Office Approved Club affiliated to the NRA (“sponsoring Rifle Club”) or to a proposed guest, aged under 14, of an NRA member at an NRA Guest Day

- Wishing to shoot on Bisley Ranges
- Making an application to do so sponsored by an official of the club or an adult full member of the NRA (“the sponsor”)

The standard conditions are effective in conjunction with a person-specific statement by or on behalf of the Chief Executive NSC Ltd setting out the limitations as to type of firearm and shooting intended to be undertaken (“message of authorisation”).

The message of authorisation will normally be issued by the NRA Safety Legal & Technical Officer following consideration of:

- the young person’s age and firearms experience (which may of course be nil);
- the type(s) of firearm intended to be used;
- the types of shooting activity intended.

An application for authorisation should include all that information, the young person’s full name and date of birth, and a short statement as to why the young person is suited to undertake the activity proposed.

A young shooter may only shoot as a (guest) member of the sponsoring rifle club or another Home Office Approved Club which is affiliated to the NRA (“host club”). That club is responsible for implementing NRA policy on protection of children. If the sponsoring rifle club is the NRA itself, activity by the young shooter will be limited to NRA Guest Days and the member inviting the young shooter to the Guest Day must act as sponsor and fulfil the role of a parent in regard to child protection matters.

A young shooter is only to shoot under the direct supervision of an adult full member of the host club or an adult full member of the NRA. That supervisor may NOT simultaneously act as the Range Officer, unless the young shooter and the supervisor are the only persons from the club on the firing point. In the event of any transgression of rules and regulations, that supervisor may be held liable either as well as or instead of the young shooter.

A young shooter is only to shoot on occasions when the sponsor or an official of the host club acting as sponsor for one event has informed the NRA Safety Legal & Technical Officer, the Range Office and Range Safety of the young shooter’s participation in a club shoot at Bisley at least one full working day in advance of the event. Email addresses for those will be included in

the addressees of the message of authorisation. The days' notice coupled with the message of authorisation constitutes the permission needed under Bisley Ranges Regulations.

A young shooter is not to:

- Use an HME firearm.
- Participate in courses of fire involving movement as defined in Bisley Ranges Regulations.
- Shoot any activity not permitted by the message of authorisation without a further authorisation before attaining age 14 yrs.

A message of authorisation neither permits nor limits any shooting that a young shooter may do:

- as a member of a Cadet unit or other youth organisation operating within that organisation's rules for shooting activities;
- using shotguns to engage moving clay targets on the NCSC or BSG layouts;
- on the NSRA or BFTO ranges.

A message of authorisation is valid until cancelled or superseded or until the young shooter's 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, on which date it lapses automatically.

The NRA Safety Legal & Technical Officer should be informed if a young shooter is issued a Shooter's Certification Card.

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