



HIGH WYCOMBE and DISTRICT RIFLE and PISTOL CLUB

Photograph
Minimum size
35mm x 45mm

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION		
Title	Initials	No.
Surname		
Forename		
Date of Birth		
Place of Birth		
Address		
Phone (day)	(Town)	
(evening)	(County)	
(mobile)	(Postcode)	
Email:		
Profession/ Occupation		Relevant Qualifications E.g. NRA/NSRA Range Officer/Rifle Coach/Pistol Coach

Memberships and Affiliations					
Organisation	Number	Organisation	Number	Organisation	Number
N.R.A.		M.L.A.(G.B.)		Other:	
N.S.R.A.		B.C.R.A.		Other:	

Firearms Certificate		Shotgun Certificate	
Issuing Authority		Issuing Authority	
Number		Number	
Expiry Date		Expiry Date	

Emergency Contact	
Name	I agree for my details to be held in accordance with the Club's Privacy Policy. Usual Signature of Emergency contact
Phone	
Date	

Declaration				
Membership requested	ADULT	JUNIOR	FULL	PROBATIONARY
Have you ever been refused membership or membership renewal of a rifle or pistol club?				YES / NO
Have you ever been refused the grant or renewal of a Shotgun or Firearm Certificate?				
If YES, please give details (continue overleaf if necessary):				
I declare that I am not prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition by virtue of Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (overleaf) and that all other information on this form is correct. I confirm that I will abide by the Club's Constitution, Byelaws, Range Orders and other relevant documentation, legislation & regulations at all times and agree for these details to be held in accordance with the Club's Privacy Policy.		Junior members (under 18 years) only		
Usual signature of Applicant		/	/20	Usual signature of Parent/Guardian
				/ /20
Previous/Present Club				
Secretary's name		Telephone:		

Referee	
I certify that this applicant has been known to me for at least 5 years, is not family, and I consider them suitable to be a member of a rifle and pistol club. I agree for my details to be held in accordance with the Club's Privacy Policy.	Name
	Address
	Town
	County
	Post Code
Usual Signature of Referee	/ /20
Profession/Occupation:	Telephone (day)
E-Mail:	Telephone (evening)

Sponsor	
Usual signature of the Sponsor / /20	Name
	Membership number
	The Sponsor MUST be a FULL member of the Club for at least 12 months and different from the Referee. The Sponsor must ensure that the new member is fully briefed on Range Safety procedures.

FIREARMS ACT 1968 – DECLARATION

It is an offence for someone who is prohibited by Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 to have a firearm or ammunition in his/her possession at any time. Section 21 applies to anybody who has been sentenced to imprisonment or to youth custody or detention in a young offender institution for three months or more. The period for which they are prohibited depends on the length of their sentence. If the sentence was longer than three years, the prohibition lasts for life. If the sentence was three months or more but less than three years, the prohibition lasts for five years from the date of release.

Other Information
Any additional details (or expansion of the overleaf), for submission with your application:

Club Use Only				
Probation Approved	/	/20	Subscription Paid	£ / /20
Card Issued	/	/20	Membership Number	
Membership Grant	/	/20	Membership Paid	£ / /20
Proposer's Name			Seconder's Name	
Proposer' Signature			Seconder's Signature	

NOTES TO THE PROBATIONER

APPLICATION FORM COMPLETION

Fill out all of the personal details (required by the Club and the Police) and any relevant details in the Qualifications/Affiliations/FAC/Shotgun/Emergency Contact sections. The first reference (labelled as "Referee") needs to be completed by someone who has known you for at least five years, but is not a family member, and they can certify that you are suitable for membership; this person and the optional Emergency Contact (if used) must each agree to the Club's Privacy Policy. The second reference (designated as "Sponsor") is a Full, Adult Member of the Club, and has been so for at least 12 months. Ensure you read, understand and sign the Section 21 declaration (if you have printed the application form and it is on two pieces of paper, please sign both).

In addition to the above, Junior members will need to have a Parent/Guardian countersign the application. All Junior members must be accompanied by a Parent/Guardian whilst at the Club.

Return the completed membership application form together with a recent photograph (either printed or e-mailed) and payment for six months of the relative annual fee (to cover the initial probationary period) plus the joining fee to the club. Some of the common Club opening times are list below.

The application will be put before the Committee, who will then decide on suitability for probationary membership. If the Committee grant approval you will then be notified and allowed to shoot at the range.

PROBATION

The club has a standard, minimum probationary period of six months. At the Committee's discretion it is possible to reduce this if you are a member of another Home Office approved rifle club or serving in Her Majesty's Police or Armed services, subject to receipt of recommendation from the Secretary or Senior Officer.

You will be expected to shoot at the range on a regular basis, considered to be approximately 12 times within the six months. During these visits you will be taught safe conduct, range etiquette, handling of firearms and club procedures.

In the weeks before the end of the six months the Committee will discuss your progress. If it is deemed to be appropriate you will be invited to take your safety and competency assessment for full membership. Otherwise the Committee will request your probationary period be extended.

The assessment is comprised of a multiple-choice, theory test and two practical tests. One practical will use a lightweight sport rifle in an unsupported position at 20 yards and the other using a target rifle in a prone position at 25 yards. On completion of your full assessment, your information will be presented to the Committee who will make a decision on your acceptance.

After the initial six month probationary period there will be potentially three options: 1) Accepted as a Full member – you will need to pay the remainder of any membership fees for the current, Club membership year and you will receive an updated membership card showing Full membership status. 2) Extension of Probationary period – you will need to pay the relevant pro-rata membership fee for the extended term and continue as above. 3) Cease membership.

Membership can be terminated by either party at any point throughout the term of the probationary period. There will be no refund of any monies paid.

SHOOTING

The Club has a selection of firearms which can be borrowed, please note that these are available to all members and might need to be shared on any given visit.

Whilst on the range, you will have one-to-one supervision by an existing, full Club member. There is no requirement for the same person to supervise on every occasion.

You will only be permitted to shoot .22LR rimfire cartridges during your probation at the range. Pistol calibre rifles are available to borrow after suitable proficiency and safety has been proven to the Range Officer.

At the end of each attendance, non-FAC holders (probationers or otherwise) MUST sign a declaration stating no ammunition has been removed from the range. The Club has facilities to store ammunition, which will then be available to you on your next visit.

An example of costs: £10 for 100 rounds of ammunition, £1 for 15 targets; this should suffice for 2-3 visits

As a general rule the Club will be open as follows:

Monday	Gallery/Sport Rifle	7:30 pm– 9:30pm
Thursday	Air Rifle/Air Pistol	7:30 pm– 9:30pm
Friday	Target/Match Rifle	7:30 pm– 9:30pm

Should you have any questions, queries or require further information then please speak to the Range Officer on the night or a member of the Committee.