

# Hemswell Shooting Club

## Application for Membership

SINGLE..... FAMILY..... AIRGUN..... JUNIOR..... ASSOCIATED.....

*Please complete this form in ink using block capitals throughout. Including, the reverse of this page if, applicable.*

I (full name) \_\_\_\_\_ hereby apply for membership of Hemswell Shooting Club  
I understand that a decision to accept me as a Full Member of The Club will not, be made until I have completed the required probationary period.

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you or have you ever been, a member of a shooting club ( Yes / No)? If yes, give details.  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been refused a firearm or shotgun certificate or had one revoked, ( Yes / No)? If yes, give details  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any medical or special needs we should be aware of e.g.epilepsy/medication/disability?

Please indicate .....

Emergency contact number for use if necessary.....

Do you possess a current firearms / shotgun certificate, ( Yes / No)?  
If yes, supply current certificate number, issuing force, and expiry date.

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Issued by \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry \_\_\_\_\_

Are you prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition by virtue of Section 21 of the Firearms act 1967 (as Amended 1998) This usually applies to persons who have served a term of imprisonment or are currently under any police investigation. (Yes / No)? (See Section 21 Form)

The Hemswell Shooting Club will store and use your personal data for the purposes of administrating the club and your involvement in club activities. The data will be collected and processed in accordance with general data protection guidelines. Your data may be shared where required with relevant authorities and governing bodies. I understand that by submitting this form I am consenting to my data being used in this way.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Parent/Guardian if under 18 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note:** - No application for membership of the club will be accepted without a completed application form, A signed section 21, the relevant membership fee, 2 passport type photographs of the applicant and two forms of personal identification, confirming the applicant's name & home address, (e.g. firearm/shotgun certificate, driver's licence utility bills etc.) In addition, if you are unknown to a present full member of the club, you will need to supply the name and address of two Referees.

It may be, considered necessary by club officials, to ask an applicant to supply a Police Subject Access Document to support any application.

*(In the event of an application, being rejected any fee paid will be refund, minus any administration costs)*

### Club Sponsor

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_

*The completed form along with any supporting documents, fees etc. must be, handed directly to a Club Official.*

### For Official Club use only

Date of Acceptance \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Allocated Membership number \_\_\_\_\_

## Reference

If the applicant is unknown to any, present full member of Hemswell Shooting Club. Then you must provide the name address and contact telephone numbers of two (2) referees' who have known you personally for at least two (2) years.

Please be sure that, anyone named as a referee is, fully aware that you have named them, and that a representative, of the club may contact them. However, if an applicant can provide a recent up to date, *Police Subject Access Document*, then it may not be necessary to provide any referee's.

**All referees must be over the age of 21.**

Please print in BLOCK CAPITALS

### First Referee

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

How long has this person been known to you; \_\_\_\_\_

Referees telephone number: *(Please include the dialling code)* \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile number: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

### Second Referee

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

How long has this person been known to you; \_\_\_\_\_

Referees telephone number: *(Please include the dialling code)* \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile number: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional)

# Hemswell Shooting Club

## Section 21 Declaration

All club members, probationary club members, and guests who do not possess their own firearm certificates are required by law to sign a declaration to the effect that they are not prohibited from possessing a firearm or ammunition by virtue of Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 as (amended 1997/2014).

It is an offence for someone who is prohibited by Section 21 to have a firearm or ammunition in his or her possession at any time. Section 21 applies to anyone who has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment or to detention in a young offender's institution for three months or more, this also applies a suspended sentence. The period for which they are, prohibited depends on the length of sentence. **If the sentence was longer than three years, the prohibition is for life. If the sentence was for three months or more, but less than three years, then the prohibition lasts for five years from the date of release or end of suspended sentence.** It is an offence for a person to transfer, let, hire, give or lend a firearm or ammunition to someone he or she knows or has reasonable grounds for believing them to be prohibited by Section 21.

**You are advised to read the reverse of this page for a more detailed explanation before Signing**

### Declaration

I, .....(print full name) Certify that I am not prohibited under Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (as amended) from possessing firearms or ammunition, nor have I ever had a firearms certificate or shotgun licence refused or revoked. I authorise the sharing of my personal information with the Police & any governing authorities & to my personal information being held on file & computer to enable the club to for-fill its legal obligations as required by law & in accordance with the Data Protection Act.

Signed: ..... Date: ...../...../.....

Address:.....

..... Post Code : .....

How long at this address :(.....yrs.) if less than 3yrs. Please give previous address : .....

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Date of birth: ...../...../..... Place of birth: .....

Do you hold a current FAC? Yes/No Telephone numbers: Tel:..... Mbl:.....

Email Address: .....

Employment: .....

This document must be, completed in block capitals. If part of a membership application it must be, accompanied by both a completed membership application form, 2 Passport Size photographs and two forms of personal identification confirming the applicant's home address, e.g. firearm/shotgun certificate, driver's licence utility bills etc. Full payment is also required or your request will be refused. An administration fee is payable for all refused requests.

**If part of an application for membership, if the applicant is unknown to any full club member, then you must provide the details of 2 referees, as requested on the reverse, of the application form.**

Membership No: ..... (To be, inserted by club official) Date:...../...../.....

# **Section 21 Declaration**

## **Persons Prohibited by Section 21 of the Firearms Act from Possessing or Handling Firearms, or Ammunition**

Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 (as amended 1997/2014) prohibits a person from possession of any type of firearm if they have been given a custodial or suspended sentence when convicted of a criminal offence.

If you have received a custodial sentence or suspended sentence of between 3 months and 3 years then you are prohibited for a period of 5 years from the date you are released or end of suspended sentence.

If you have received a custodial sentence or suspended sentence of 3 years or more then you are prohibited for life. This applies to persons sentenced in all parts of the UK including Northern Ireland. Section 29 of the Criminal Justice Act 1972 amended section 21 of the 1968 acts to read, (The prohibition includes detention in a Young Offender Institution.)

*(The prohibition may be, lifted on application to the Crown Court, for advice, please consult a solicitor.)*

Under the Firearms Acts, no conviction may be, considered as 'spent' where applications to possess firearms are concerned and the police will, notify the Club if they feel that a person's record or background would render them unsuitable to possess firearms. It is also an offence for a person to sell or transfer a firearm or ammunition to, or repair, test or prove a firearm or ammunition for, a person whom he/she knows or has reasonable grounds for believing to be, prohibited from having a firearm or ammunition in his/her possession.

The Club membership application form requires you to disclose any conviction or current police investigation, and failure to do so will invalidate your application. Signing the application form also declares that you are not, prohibited from possessing firearms or ammunition by virtue of Section 21.

Please note that under Home Office criteria for target clubs, the Club must notify the police of new membership applications. Naturally, the Club has an obligation under the law & to its members to protect its good name, and will not normally accept persons as members who are clearly unsuitable, to be in possession of firearms. Therefore, if you have any convictions or are currently under investigation by the police you must complete the application form honestly in order to avoid subsequent embarrassment or possible prosecution under Section 21 of the Firearms Acts.

At Hemswell Shooting Club, we make every effort to comply with our obligations under the Data Protection Act, along with our legal obligations to the Police & governing authorities.