

**PARENTAL CONSENT FORM
SHOOTING ACTIVITIES - 2015**

GROUP: Sheringham & Beeston Regis

**SHERINGHAM & BEESTON REGIS
SEA SCOUT GROUP**

Programmed shooting activities for Group Members

**SPECIFIC PARENTAL PREMISSION IS NEEDED
BEFORE A YOUNG PERSON CAN TAKE PART IN A SHOOTING ACTIVITY**

- Using .177 Air Weapons and Ranges built to the National Small-Bore Rifle Association Guidelines. Shooting is one of the activities available to participants.
- Leaders undertaking instruction in this activity have qualified for the Tutors Diploma under the National Small-Bore Rifle Association Youth Proficiency Scheme.
- **Targets showing either humanoid or animal shapes will NOT be permitted.** (This requirement also relates to Archery but specific Parental Authority is not required at this time)

This authority is specific to Shooting Activities within Sheringham & Beeston Regis Activities Programme

S.21 Firearms Act 1968 Prohibits possession of firearms or ammunition (under any circumstances), by persons convicted of crime and sentenced to a term of imprisonment (or young persons equivalent) of 3 months or more. The Act also applies to Airguns.

Extracts from 'Section 21' Firearms Act 1968

1. A person who has been sentenced (to custody for life or) to preventative detention, or to imprisonment or to corrective training for a term of three years or more (or to youth custody (or detention in a young offender institution) for such a term), or who has been sentenced to be detained for such a term in a young offenders institution in Scotland, shall not at any time have a firearm or ammunition in his possession.
2. A person who has been sentenced ... to imprisonment for a term of three months or more but less than three years (or to youth custody (or detention in a young offender institution) for such a term), or who has been sentenced to be detained for such a tern in a young offenders institution in Scotland, shall not at any time before the expiry of the period of five year from the date of his release have a firearm or ammunition in his possession.

This means:

- Section 21 prohibits the possession of a firearm and ammunition (under any circumstances), by a person who had been convicted of a crime and sentenced to a term of imprisonment (or its equivalent for young persons) of 3 months or more. The prohibition applies in all circumstances, including handling and firing at an approved shooting club or clay pigeon shoot where a certificate is not ordinarily required. It also applies to the possession or use of other categories of firearms and ammunition such as AIRGUNS or shot cartridges for which a certificate is not needed.
- A sentence of 3 months to 3 years attracts a 5-year prohibition, shorter ones no prohibition but a longer one means a live ban

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Please return to your young person's leader

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I have noted the arrangements with regard to the use of Air Weapons (.177) as part of the Group activity programme.

I agree to(young person's name) taking part in activities involving these weapons run and supervised by the Authorised Instructors of the Scout Association, and declare that they are not subject to restriction by virtue of regulations set out in S21 Firearms Act 1968.

Please state if your child has any disability or condition, which may be affected by this activity:

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Name.....

Signature..... Date.....

