

**NORMS (REVISED) FOR ISSUANCE OF
RECOMMENDATION/CERTIFICATION FOR ASPIRING
SHOOTERS/RENOUNDED SHOOTERS FOR GRANT OF ARM
LICENSES/ENHANCEMENT OF QUOTA OF
AMMUNITION/EXTENSION OF AREA VALIDITY/PERMISSION OF
SALE OF WEAPONS**

The Governing Body of NRAI in its meeting held on 17th May 2025 has REVISED the norms dated 15th January 2024.

1. OBJECTIVE

To bring clarity in the rules for development of Shooting Sport in India:

- a. For issue of recommendation/certification to shooters of various categories, as defined under Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Notification no. S.O. 665(E) dated 12th February 2020 and Arms (amendment) Rule 2020 Notification no. GSR 108 (E) by the National Rifle Association of India and its affiliated units for grant of arm licenses/enhancement the quota of ammunition/extend the area validity.
- b. Enhancement of Quota of Ammunition for Renowned Shooters/Aspiring Shooters
- c. Extension of Area Validity
- d. Clarification of norms for sale/purchase of weapons by Renowned Shooters/Aspiring Shooters/upcoming shooters.

2. AUTHORITY

- a. FOR GRANT OF ARMS LICENSES: The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), vide its notification no S.O. 665(E) dated 12th February 2020 has authorized NRAI (for Aspiring/Renowned Shooters) and its affiliated State Rifle Associations (for Aspiring Shooters) to issue recommendation/certification for grant of arms licenses.
- b. FOR SALE OF WEAPONS: The DGFT, as per its notification no. 14 (RE 2013)/2009-2014 dated 17th May 2013, has stated norms for transfer of weapons by Renowned shooters OR Rules framed by the Governing Body of NRAI.

3. CATEGORY OF SHOOTERS

The following category of shooters, as defined by MHA vide its notification quoted above are eligible for recommendation/certification:

- Arjuna Awardee
- International Medalist
- Renowned Shooters
- Junior Target Shooters
- Aspiring Shooter
- Upcoming Shooter – For the purpose of definition of a “Upcoming shooter”, as stated under DGFT notification dated 17th May 2013, the “Upcoming shooter” shall be treated at par with the Aspiring Shooter.

4. MINIMUM QUALIFYING SCORES (MQS)

Shooters, who achieve the following MQS during State Championship/All India G V Mavlankar Shooting Championship/Zonal Championship, will be notified as “Aspiring Shooter” and shall be eligible for recommendation/certification for grant of Arms license/enhancement of quota of ammunition/extension of area validity of arms license as per MHA notification quoted above.

FOR ASPIRING ABLEBODY SHOOTERS

EVENT	SENIOR		JUNIOR		SENIOR MASTER (ABOVE 60 YRS)		MASTERS (BTW 45-60 YRS)		SUPER MASTER (ABOVE 70 YRS)		YOUTH (Below 18 years)	
	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W	M	W
RIFLE												
50M Rifle Prone	535	525	495	485	495	485	515	505	485	475	490	480
50M Rifle 3 Position	495	485	445	445	445	445	470	470	435	435	440	440
.22 O S Rifle Prone	450	450	425	425	425	425	435	435	415	415	-	-
.22 O S Rifle 3 Position	425	425	390	390	390	390	405	405	375	375	-	-
PISTOL												
50M Pistol	225	215	205	200	205	200	215	205	195	185	-	-
25M Centre Fire Pistol	245	-	-	-	210	-	235	-	200	-	-	-
25M Std. Pistol	240	-	225	220	225	-	235	--	210	-	-	-
25M Pistol	260	240	245	230	-	230	-	240	-	220	235	225
SHOTGUN												
Trap/Skeet	24	16	20	11	18	10	21	14	10	08	18	10
Double Trap	25	15	15	12	14	12	17	15	10	08	12	10

EVENT	SENIORS		JUNIORS		MASTERS (BETWEEN 45-60 YRS)		SR. MASTERS (ABOVE 60 YEARS)		SUPER MASTERS (ABOVE 70 YEARS)		
BIG BORE (NR)											
300M Rifle Prone	270	-	257	-	235	-	225	-	215	-	
300M Rifle 3 Position	262	-	237	-	220	-	215	-	210	-	
300M Std Rifle 3 Position Men & Women	250	250	225	225	215	205	210	210	200	-	
300M Std Rifle Prone Women	-	270	-	250	-	230	-	230	-	210	

FOR DEAF SHOOTERS

EVENT		
RIFLE	M	W
50M Rifle Prone	480	470
50M Rifle 3 Position	430	430
PISTOL		
50M Pistol	190	-
25M Centre Fire Pistol	220	-
25M Std. Pistol	210	-
25M Pistol	230	225
SHOTGUN		
Trap	20	15
Skeet	20	15

FOR PARA SHOOTERS

Event	Discipline	Gender	Class	IPC GVM Senior	IPC GVM Junior
R6	50M Rifle Prone	Mixed	SH1	484	444
R7	50M Rifle 3 Positions	Men	SH1	445	405
R8	50M Rifle 3 Positions	Women	SH1	440	400
R9	50M Rifle Prone	Mixed	SH2	489	449
P3	25M Pistol	Mixed	SH1	218	218
P4	50M Pistol	Mixed	SH1	213	193
	Para Clay Trap	Men		25	20
	Para Clay Trap	Women		15	10

Recommendation/certification to Renowned shooters will be done on basis of scores achieved by them as per Rule 17.6 of NRAI Match Book in ISSF category matches.

No recommendation/certification will be done on the basis of scores achieved in air weapon events.

5. ELIGIBILITY FOR POSSESSION OF WEAPONS/SPARE OR CONVERSION BARRELS

- a. The recommendation/certification will be issued to the shooters under Rule 3 above, for grant of arm licenses for the number of weapons, as authorized under MHA notification quoted above. Shooters, at the time of applying for recommendation/certification, must disclose the number of weapons under their possession. The number of weapons shall not exceed the authorization as stated under Column 4 of Schedule of MHA notification.
- b. Shooters, as defined under Rule 3 (a) and 3 (c) above, will only be authorized for possession of spare/conversion barrel.

6. UPPER LIMIT ON NUMBER OF WEAPONS FOR GRANT OF ARM LICENSES

The recommendation/certification at one time, may be issued, subject to upper limit, as stated under Rule 5, for grant of arm license:

Prone/3P Match	one weapon of .22 Rifle
Free Pistol	one weapon of .22 NPB Pistol
Standard Pistol/Sports Pistol	one weapon of .22 NPB Pistol
Rapid Fire Pistol	one weapon of .22 NPB Pistol
Centre Fire Pistol	one weapon of NPB Rev/Pistol
Trap/Double Trap	one weapon of 12 Bore or lower gauge
Skeet	one weapon of 12 Bore or lower gauge
Big Prone/3P Match	one weapon of caliber below 8 mm except .22 Rifle

In case of an Aspiring Shooter participating in more than one events/section, the upper limit of weapons would be two only.

7. ENTITIES FOR ISSUE OF RECOMMENDATION/CERTIFICATION:

- a. **Arjuna Awardee** – By Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS)
- b. **International Medalist** – By NRAI: for the shooters, who won medals in international competitions, as stated under MHA notification quoted above.
- c. **Renowned Shooters** – By NRAI: for the shooters, who achieve Minimum Qualifying Score (MQS), as prescribed by NRAI under Rule

17.6 of NRAI Match Book during NSCC in ISSF category matches. Scores of such NSCC should not be older than two years at the time of applying for recommendation/certification. The time limit for two years starts from last day of the conclusion of the NSCC.

- d. **Junior Target Shooter** – By NRAI/State Rifle Association: to a junior shooter, who has participated in National Rules (NR) competitions and has achieved MQS stated under Rule 4 above.

It is mandatory for the parents of the junior shooter to submit an undertaking duly notarized, to NRAI/State Rifle Association, at the time of submission of application for recommendation letter stating their responsibility for use of weapons by the junior shooter.

e. Aspiring Shooter –

- i. By NRAI: to a Shooter, who has participated in All India G V Mavlankar Shooting Championship (AIGVMSC) or Zonal Championship and has achieved MQS, as prescribed by NRAI under Rule 4 above.
- ii. By State Rifle Association: to the shooters, who achieved MQS, as prescribed under Rule 4 above in its State Championship. The State Championship must be conducted once a year the scores must be on the online portal of the NRAI and the website of the State Association.
- iii. The scores of the AIGVMSC, ZONAL Championship and/or State Championship should not be older than two years at the time of applying for Recommendation/certification by the shooter.

8. SALE OF WEAPONS BY RENOWNED SHOOTERS OR SUBSEQUENT SELLERS

- a. Sale of weapons by the Renowned Shooters or subsequent sellers shall be governed under DGFT rules and in certain cases, the rules framed by the Governing Body of NRAI:
 - i. The DGFT norms shall be followed, if a Renowned shooter, wishes to dispose of his/her firearm after two years from date of import of weapon to any upcoming shooter. In the case sale of big bore rifles/.357/38 Spl/semi-automatic shotguns, the norms, as laid down by the Governing Body shall be applicable.
 - ii. In case, a Renowned Shooter proposes to sell/transfer/gift his/her weapon after three years from date of import, he/she may sell/transfer the same to any upcoming shooter/member of a

recognized affiliated rifle club/Distt. Rifle Association/State Rifle Association/NRAI/general arm license holder. In the case of sale of big bore rifles/.357/38 Spl/semi-automatic shotguns, the norms, as laid down by the Governing Body shall be applicable.

- iii. Under both the conditions at (i) and (ii), prior information with full details of the upcoming shooter (name, address, copy of arms license) must be sent to NRAI. In no case, any weapon shall be sold/transferred/gifted to any arm dealer.
- b. The Renowned shooter may sell their weapons to any current or past Renowned shooter of any section of Shooting sport after two years.
- c. In case of sale of weapon to an Aspiring Shooter/Upcoming Shooter, the Aspiring/Upcoming shooter must have achieved the score in that particular event. The scores achieved by the Aspiring shooter/Upcoming shooter, as stated under Rule 4 above, should not be older than three years from the last date of the competition for that section of Shooting Sport. (Clarification – In case of sale of a Free Pistol, the Aspiring/Upcoming Shooter must have achieved MQS in Free Pistol event)
- d. For interpretation, the Section means, Rifle, Pistol or Shotgun.
- e. After two years from the date of import, the Renowned Shooters may sell their weapons to:
 - i. An Aspiring/Upcoming Shooters
 - ii. Renowned Shooter
- f. The subsequent buyer may sell the weapon after one year from the date of purchase to any renowned/upcoming/Aspiring Shooter, as stated under (c).
- g. The provisions of Arms Act shall apply in all cases of sale by individuals.
- h. No imported weapon after availing the custom duty exemption shall be sold to any Arm dealer by anyone.
- i. All sellers shall mandatorily provide full contact/shooting details of the buyer in writing to NRAI, prior to sale of weapon.
- j. The date of import shall be calculated from the date of Bill of Entry.
- k. The subsequent date of sale after one year shall be calculated from date of endorsement on arm on buyer's arm license.

9. ENHANCMENT OF QUOTA OF AMMUNITION/EXTENTION OF AREA VALIDITY

The recommendations/certification for enhancement of quota of ammunition/extension in area validity of arm licenses shall be issued by the respective entities as stated under Rule 7 above.

10. PROCESSING FEE

The following processing fee is payable by the applicant:

- a. Recommendation/Certification for initial grant of Arm License – Rs. 1500/-
- b. Enhancement of Ammunition limit/Area Jurisdiction/permission for additional weapons/Sale permission – Rs. 1000/-

Plus, GST as applicable.

11. FORMAT FOR RECOMMENDATION LETTERS TO ASPIRING/RENOWNED SHOOTER FOR GRANT OF ARM LICENSE/ENHANCEMENT OF AMMUNITION/AREA JURISDICTION

Formats are as attached below.

DRAFT LETTR FOR FRESH ARM LICENCE

NRAI/LIC/___/2023

Date

The Address of Licensing Authority

Sub: Certification for issue of Arm Licence

Dear Sir,

It is submitted that **Mr./Ms.** R/o-, is a Registered Shooter with us and his/her Shooter ID Number is

We hereby certify that he/she is a/an **Renowned Shooter/Aspiring Shooter (As the case may be)** in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020 as per his/her performance stated below:-

SRL. NO.	COMPETITION	EVENTS	MQS FOR RENOWNED/ ASPIRING SHOOTER	SCORE ACHIEVED BY THE SHOOTER	ELIGIBLE FOR WEAPON
1					

We hereby state that he/she may be granted Arm License for **(CALIBER)** in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020.

Mr./Ms.....is in possession of **Weapon/Weapons**, as per undertaking attached.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory

DRAFT LETTR FOR ADDITION OF WEAPON ON EXISTING ARM LICENCE

NRAI/LIC/___/2023

Dated

The Address of Licensing Authority

Sub: Certification for Addition of Weapon.

Dear Sir,

It is submitted that **Mr./Ms.** R/o-, holder of **Arm Licence No.....**, is a Registered Shooter with us and his/her Shooter ID Number is

We hereby certify that he/she is a/an **Renowned Shooter/Aspiring Shooter (As the case may be)** in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020 as per his/her performance stated below:-

SRL. NO.	COMPETITION	EVENTS	MQS FOR RENOWNED/ ASPIRING SHOOTER	SCORE ACHIEVED BY THE SHOOTER	ELIGIBLE FOR WEAPON
1					

We hereby state that the addition of **(CALIBER)** on his/her above Arm Licence in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020.

Mr./Ms.....is in possession of**Weapon/Weapons**, as per undertaking attached.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory

DRAFT LETTR FOR ENHANCEMENT OF QUOTA OF AMMUNITION

NRAI/LIC/___/2023

Dated

The Address of Licensing Authority

Sub: Certification for enhancement the quota of Ammunition.

Dear Sir,

It is submitted that **Mr./Ms.** R/o-, holder of **Arm Licence No.....**, is a Registered Shooter with us and his/her Shooter ID Number is

We hereby certify that he/she is a/an **Renowned Shooter/Aspiring Shooter (As the case may be)** in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020 as per his/her performance stated below:-

SRL. NO.	COMPETITION	EVENTS	MQS FOR RENOWNED/ASPIRING SHOOTER	SCORE ACHIEVED BY THE SHOOTER
1				

The Quota of Ammunition authorized on his/her above Arm License is inadequate for his/her regular training and for participation in the competitions conducted by us.

It is state that the quota of ammunition may be enhanced for all types of fire arms collectively, being **Renowned Shooter/Aspiring Shooter** as rds. at one time and rds. during the year on his/her above quoted Arm License, in terms Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. G.S.R 701 (E) dated 15th July 2016 for his/her training.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory

DRAFT LETTR FOR EXTENSION OF AREA JURISDICTION

NRAI/LIC/___/2023

Dated

The Address of Licensing Authority

Sub: Certification for All India Arm Licence

Dear Sir,

It is submitted that **Mr./Ms.** R/o-, holder of **Arm Licence No.....**, is a Registered Shooter with us and his/her Shooter ID Number is

We hereby certify that he/she is a/an **Renowned Shooter/Aspiring Shooter (As the case may be)** in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) 12th February, 2020 as per his/her performance stated below:-

SRL. NO.	COMPETITION	EVENTS	MQS FOR RENOWNED/ASPIRING SHOOTER	SCORE ACHIEVED BY THE SHOOTER
1				

We hereby state that area validity of his/her **Arm Licence No.**, may be extended to **ALL INDIA** as per Ministry of Home Affairs Notification No. S.O. 665 (E) dated 12th February 2020.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Authorized Signatory