

Firearms (Fees) Determination 2018

Disallowable instrument DI2018-136

made under the

Firearms Act 1996, s 270 (Determination of fees)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Minister has power to determine fees for the purposes of the *Firearms Act 1996*.

Increase in fees

Firearms fees in the 2018-19 Financial Year will increase from fees in the previous Financial Year by an indexation of 4 percent and rounded down to the nearest dollar. This increase is the same increase for all regulatory fees.

The instrument setting out the fees to apply from 1 July 2018, includes information to enable a comparison of past fees with those set by this instrument.

The instrument contains further explanatory notes about the fee for each item in the past Financial Year.

Apart from the standard 4 percent indexation increase to fees, a number of other changes are reflected in the determination.

Item 402.1 to the schedule

The addition of a further collectors licence, heirlooms licence, firearms dealer licence, firearms club armourer licence, and paintball marker licence has been included in the schedule, column 2, to ensure consistency with the application fee for a further licence Category A, B, C, D or H licence, and to ensure that a further single application fee is not applicable.

Item 416 to the schedule

An amendment has been made to reflect the correct provision in the *Firearms Act 1996* for the registration of a firearm, namely section 160. The previous determination DI2017-99 (Firearms (Fees) Determination 2017) incorrectly referenced section 164 of the *Firearms Act 1996* which relates to the issuance of a firearm registration notice.

Item 418.1 to the schedule

The circumstances where the registrar may exercise the power to issue permits under section 141 has been clarified.