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## Demonstrate safe firearm practices in accordance with the New Zealand Firearms Safety Code

<b>Kaupae   Level</b>	4
<b>Whiwhinga   Credit</b>	3
<b>Whāinga   Purpose</b>	<p>A person credited with this skill standard is able to identify the safe use and storage of firearms and ammunition and demonstrate safe firearm practices in accordance with the <i>New Zealand Police Firearms Safety Code</i> and <i>Arms Regulations 1992</i>.</p> <p>This standard has been developed to be used within the New Zealand firearms licensing process. It can only be used for assessment by Te Tari Pūreke. Completion of this skill standard does not guarantee issue of a firearms licence.</p> <p>Individuals must have a firearms license in order to safely possess and use unsupervised non-prohibited firearms and ammunition that do not require an endorsement.</p>
<b>Whakaakoranga me mātua oti   Pre-requisites</b>	Learners/ākonga must live in New Zealand and be aged 16 or over.

### Hua o te ako me Paearu aromatawai | Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

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1. Identify New Zealand firearms licence holder obligations.	a. Identify police requirements of licence holders.
	b. Identify supervision requirements of an unlicensed person's use of a firearm.
2. Identify operation of common types of firearms used in New Zealand.	a. Identify common types of firearms used in New Zealand.
	b. Identify common action types found in firearms.
	c. Identify firearm states of readiness.
3. Identify safe use and storage of firearms and ammunition in accordance with the New Zealand Firearms Safety Code and Arms Regulations.	a. Identify the purpose of all seven rules of firearm safety.
	b. Identify correct ammunition for a firearm.
	c. Identify minimum requirements for the safe

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	storage of firearms.
	d. Identify minimum requirements for the safe storage of ammunition.
	e. Identify how to safely secure and transport firearms and ammunition.
4. Identify safety precautions required when using a firearm in various contexts.	a. Select protective safety equipment recommended for all firearms users.
	b. Identify shooting range safety precautions.
	c. Identify Maimai safety precautions.
	d. Recognise safe use of night vision aids.
5. Demonstrate safe use of firearms in accordance with the New Zealand Firearms Safety Code.	a. Demonstrate how to safely carry a firearm.
	b. Demonstrate how to safely cross fences and other obstacles while carrying a firearm.
	c. Prepare a firearm for use.
	d. Demonstrate safe mitigation of potential ammunition malfunctions.
	e. Demonstrate how a firearm operates.
	f. Demonstrate correct states of readiness in various hunting scenarios.

### Pārongo aromatawai me te taumata paearu | Assessment information and grade criteria

Assessment of this skill standard may occur in simulated contexts.

Assessment must comply with the latest versions of:

- The Arms Act 1983.
- The Arms Amendment Act 1992.
- The Arms Regulations 1992.
- The New Zealand Police Firearms Safety Code.

### Ngā momo whiwhinga | Grades available

Achieved.

## Ihirangi waitohu | Indicative content

Identify licence holder obligations.

- Supervision of non-licence holders.
- Legal duties of firearm holders.

Operation of common types of firearms used in New Zealand.

- Parts of a firearm.
- Basic firearm types: rifles, shotguns, muzzle-loading and antique firearms, airguns and prohibited firearms.
- Common firearm action types: bolt, lever, pump, semi-automatic, and break-open actions.
- Cycling of a firearm – the cycle of operation.
- Firearm states of readiness: load, action, instant, and unload.

Safe use and storage of firearms and ammunition in accordance with the New Zealand Firearms Safety Code and Arms Regulations.

- Seven basic rules of firearm safety.
- Commonly available ammunition: calibre and gauges, cartridge types, components of a cartridge and shotshell.
- Range and impact potential of firearm and ammunition.
- Safety dealing with ammunition faults and malfunctions: misfires, hang fires, and squib loads.
- Storing and securing firearms and ammunition safely.
- Transporting firearms and ammunition.

Safety precautions required when using firearms in various contexts.

- Safety equipment and first aid.
- Safety at a shooting range.
- Safety in a Maimai.
- Shooting in low light.

Safe firearm practices in accordance with the New Zealand Firearms Safety Code.

- Safe handling of a firearm.
- Carrying a firearm.
- Dealing with fences, obstacles, and rough terrain.
- Preparing a firearm for use and zeroing a rifle.
- States of readiness in hunting situations.

## Rauemi | Resources

Where the resources below have been updated, please refer to the latest version.

- Te Tari Pūreke. (2023, August 1). *Firearms safety e-learning*.  
<https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/firearms-safety/safety-e-learning>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2023, October 23). *New Zealand Police Firearms Safety Code*.  
<https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/firearms-safety/firearms-safety-code>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, January 24). *Apply for a firearms licence*.  
<https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/manage-and-apply/firearms-licence/apply-firearms-licence>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, February 27). *Before you apply for your firearms licence*.  
<https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/manage-and-apply/firearms-licence/you-apply-firearms-licence>

- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, March 28). *Firearms safety course*. <https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/firearms-safety/firearms-safety-course>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, April 26). *Hunter safety*. <https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/firearms-safety/hunter-safety>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, May 21). *Supporting responsible firearms use to keep New Zealander safe*. <https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/>
- Te Tari Pūreke. (2024, June 7). *Storage and transportation of firearms and ammunition*. <https://www.firearmssafetyauthority.govt.nz/firearms-safety/storage-and-transportation-firearms-and-ammunition>

### Pārongo Whakaū Kounga | Quality assurance information

<b>Ngā rōpū whakatau-paerewa   Standard Setting Body</b>	Toitū te Waiora Community, Health, Education, and Social Services Workforce Development Council
<b>Whakaritenga Rārangi Paetae Aromatawai   DASS classification</b>	Health>Occupational Health and Safety>Occupational Health and Safety Practice
<b>Ko te tohutoro ki ngā Whakaritenga i te Whakamanatanga me te Whakaōritenga   CMR</b>	0121

<b>Hātepe   Process</b>	<b>Putanga   Version</b>	<b>Rā whakaputa   Review Date</b>	<b>Rā whakamutunga mō te aromatawai   Last date for assessment</b>
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