Eligibility to hold a Weapons Act Licence

The QRA conforms to the requirements of the Qld Weapons Act which governs the use of firearms. If not disqualified or prevented from obtaining a licence under the Weapons Act 1990, a person may possess and use a weapon without a licence under certain circumstances. These are:

- A person who is eligible to obtain a licence may have possession and use a weapon at a range approved for the category of weapon, if they have produced photographic identification and signed the appropriate forms. Possession and use must be supervised by a range officer.
- Full licence holders must be at least 18 years of age.
- Children of at least 11 years of age can use certain firearms, with adult supervision, under a minor's licence.
- A person is ineligible to hold a Weapons Act Licence if, within the past five years, they have been convicted of offences including misuse of drugs, or weapons, and the use or threatened use of violence.
- A person is ineligible to hold a Weapons Act Licence if they are or have been the subject of a domestic violence order in the past five years.

See GUIDELINES TO ASSESS WEAPONS LICENCE SUITABILITY for additional information.