

# SPORTING SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA (NSW) INC.



### **MEMORANDUM**



Date:

10 December 2015

To:

**Branch & Affiliate Club Secretaries** 

Other Clubs using SSAA NSW Attendance Books

Subject:

1. Attendance Reminder for 2015/2016

2. Signing Attendance Books without Participating in the Activity

From:

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#### 1. Attendance Reminder for 2015/2016

We are now in the final stages of data entry and compiling the Attendance Reminder Letters which will be sent in early January 2016 to all members that have not yet met their Attendance requirements.

All Attendance sheets up to 13 November 2015 should have already been sent to the SSAA NSW Office to ensure we have the most up to date Attendance information for all NSW members.

#### 1. Signing Attendance Books without participating in the Activity

The Legislation clearly defines what constitutes an attendance for each of the genuine reasons.

It has come to our attention that there are SSAA NSW Members who sign an attendance in the SSAA NSW Attendance Book WITHOUT ACTUALLY COMPLETING AN ATTENDANCE as required by the Firearms Regulations 2006.

Clause 96 of Firearms Regulation 2006 clearly defines what constitutes an 'Attendance'.

Please circulate this to all your staff and volunteers as it is the responsibility of the Club/Range to ensure that anybody signing an Attendance Book does not walk away without actually completing the recorded attendance.

On the back of this Memo is a copy of the relevant Regulation for your reference.

We have also included a laminated sign that can be displayed alongside the SSAA NSW Attendance Book to assist with making members aware of their obligations. If you would like more signs please contact the SSAA NSW Office.

We will also publish a reminder to all SSAA NSW members in the next NSW Shooter.

Regards,

Irena Sanda

**Membership Manger** 

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## Firearms Regulation 2006 [NSW] Part 9 Approval of clubs

#### 96 Participation requirements for club members (cf 1997 cl 81)

- (1) A person's membership of an approved club is, if the person is the holder of a licence, subject to the following requirements:
  - (a) in the case of an approved pistol club—the person must, over each period of 12 months that the licence is in force:
    - (i) participate in at least 6 club organised competitive shooting matches, and
    - (ii) for each different kind of pistol that the person possesses for different shooting events, undertake at least 4 club organised shoots,
  - (b) in the case of any other approved shooting club—the person must, over any period of 12 months:
    - (i) participate in no less than 4 shooting competitions conducted by any approved shooting club, or
    - (ii) attend a shooting range, where any approved shooting club conducts shooting activities, on no less than 4 occasions over that period for shooting practice,
  - (c) in the case of an approved hunting club—the person must, over any period of 12 months, participate in no less than 2 events (approved by any approved hunting club) involving hunting, shooting or firearms safety training, but only if the licence is issued for the genuine reason of recreational hunting/vermin control and the person's membership of the club is the sole ground on which that genuine reason is established,
  - (d) in the case of any approved collectors' society or approved collectors' club—the person must attend the club's annual general meeting (or at least one other meeting over any period of 12 months).
- (2) For the purposes of subclause (1):
  - (a) a club organised competitive shooting match may be counted as a club organised shoot, and
  - (b) participating in a club organised competitive shooting match includes officiating in such a match, and
  - (c) a reference to a club organised shoot includes a reference to any training or target practice that is undertaken at the club's shooting range, and
  - (d) the different kinds of pistols are air pistols, rimfire pistols and centre-fire pistols.
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