

Part C Firearm and/or Shot Gun Certificates

19 If you hold a current shot gun certificate, give details and go to question **21a**

Expiry date Issuing police force

20 If you have held a shot gun certificate before, give details (if known)

Expiry date Issuing police force

21a If you hold a current firearm certificate, give details and go to **21b**

Expiry date Issuing police force

21b Do you wish to apply for a shot gun certificate which will expire at the same time as your firearm certificate (called a coterminous shot gun certificate)? *Read note below*

no yes

Note to 21b Coterminous shot gun certificate

A coterminous shot gun certificate is one which will expire on the same date as the holder's firearm certificate. The fee for the grant or renewal of a coterminous shot gun certificate may be less if the application for it is dealt with at the same time as the application for grant or renewal of the firearm certificate. If you already hold a firearm certificate and you want your shot gun certificate to expire on the same day, you should fill in this form only.

21c If you have held a firearm certificate before give details (if known)

Expiry date Issuing police force

22 If you have at any time had an application for the grant or renewal of a firearm or shot gun certificate refused in writing or a certificate revoked or partially revoked, give details

Part D Countersignature (read notes below)

I certify that –

- a to the best of my knowledge and belief the information given in answer to questions 1 to 16 above is true;
- b I know of no reason why the applicant should not be permitted to possess a shot gun;
- c the photographs enclosed with this application bear a current true likeness to the applicant, and that I have endorsed the back of one of the photographs to this effect together with the date on which the likeness was compared; and
- d I am resident in Great Britain and have known the applicant personally for years

Full name of countersignatory

Full address and telephone number of countersignatory

Post code

Telephone number

Occupation, status or profession of countersignatory

Daytime telephone number

Usual signature of countersignatory

Date

Notes to Part D Countersignature

When you have completed questions 1-16 on page 1 of this form, for the grant or renewal of a shot gun certificate, it must be countersigned in ink, by someone who is resident in Great Britain and who has known you personally for at least the last two years.

A relative must not countersign.

A countersignatory must also be a Member of Parliament, Justice of the Peace, minister of religion, doctor, lawyer, established civil servant, bank officer or person of similar standing. Serving police officers, police employees and registered firearms dealers cannot act as countersignatories.

The countersignatory must endorse the back of one of the photographs submitted by writing the words – I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A CURRENT TRUE LIKENESS OF [INSERT NAME] in ink and signing it with his usual signature and the date the likeness was compared.

The person who countersigns the application is required by the Firearms Rules 1998 to declare that he knows of no reason why the applicant should not be permitted to possess a shot gun. The countersignatory should therefore be aware that the Firearms Act 1968 requires a chief officer of police to be satisfied that an applicant can be permitted to possess a shot gun without danger to public safety or the peace and that the Act prohibits the grant of a certificate to any person whom the chief officer has reason to believe is prohibited from possessing a shot gun. Countersignatories should bear in mind the character, conduct and mental condition of the applicant in so far as they are relevant to these matters.

If you are applying for both a firearm certificate and a shot gun certificate one of your referees for your firearm certificate application may act as your countersignatory for your shot gun certificate application providing that he fulfills the requirements for countersignatories given above.