

1) How many firearm licence holders in force area currently?

1917

2) How many shotgun certificate holders in force area currently?

8161

3) How many applications for a firearm or shotgun have been rejected?

Last calendar year only, firearms 6, shotguns 15.

4) Scotland only for this question. How many air rifle licences been issued since introduction of legislation? How many applications been refused?

5) What is your force policy if a license holder dies and spouse and such having no authority to be in possession? Last thing they are thinking. Does your licence team have guidelines if so publish please

**There is no specific force policy but the Standard Operating Procedure is as follows:
Following appropriate back ground checks spouse or other appropriate family member will be issued with a section 7 temporary permit for a limited amount of time to place them in lawful possession of the firearm(s). They will then receive suitable advice and support to either transfer, sell or destroy the firearm.**

**There is also further information available in the Home Office Guide on Firearms Licensing Law that you may find useful:
Here is the link to the HO Guide:**

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/518193/Guidance_on_Firearms_Licensing_Law_April_2016_v20.pdf