



Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia (Qld.) Inc.

Q17 SSAA Mackay Branch Inc.

P.O. Box 6155 MMC QLD 4741

Course in Firearms and Weapons Safety

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Introduction

These courses are approved by the QPS Weapons Licencing Branch for Firearms Licencing in Queensland.

The courses deliver the knowledge needed to use firearms safely, responsibly, and legally. They constitute a basic introduction to firearms, covering the essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes to firearms legislation, their place and use in the community, and firearms licencing, focussing on safety in storage, transport, and use of firearms in a variety of contexts.

The club regularly runs safety courses suitable for sporting shooters in the two main types of licences; -

the **Firearms Licence**, which covers the use of a variety of rifles and shotguns (**Category A and B firearms**) for target shooting at an approved, range as well as recreational hunting on private land,

and -

the **Concealable Firearms Licence**, which covers the use of pistols (**Category H firearms**) for recreational target shooting at an approved pistol range.

Young people between the ages of 11 and 18 can apply for a **Minors Licence** which allows them to use firearms in much the same way as a full adult licence, but with restrictions on the ownership and purchasing of firearms and ammunition. A Minors licence can be for Cat A/B firearms, Cat H, or both.

We are also able to offer courses covering the use of semi-automatic firearms (**Category C and D Firearms**) as well as Holster Proficiency and Safety Officer qualifications if there is sufficient demand. These courses are presented 'as required' and are not routinely scheduled.

What does it Cost?

Junior shooters and SSAA(Qld) Inc members receive a discount. Current prices are;

	<u>SSAA Member</u>	<u>Non SSAA Member</u>
Adult	\$100	\$160
Junior (11-18)	\$15	\$48



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Format of the Courses

All courses are in two parts; -

A Common Safety Course (NAT11029001) Where you must demonstrate your knowledge of weapons legislation, weapons, and community safety. This part is mostly theoretical and you must complete a written test at the end. Every category of Licence must complete this part.

A Specific Practical Course (NAT11029001/5) Where you must demonstrate that you know how to use the Particular Category of firearms legally, safely, and responsibly. This is partly in the form of verbal questioning, and partly in demonstrating that you can use the firearms safely.

When and Where are Courses Held?

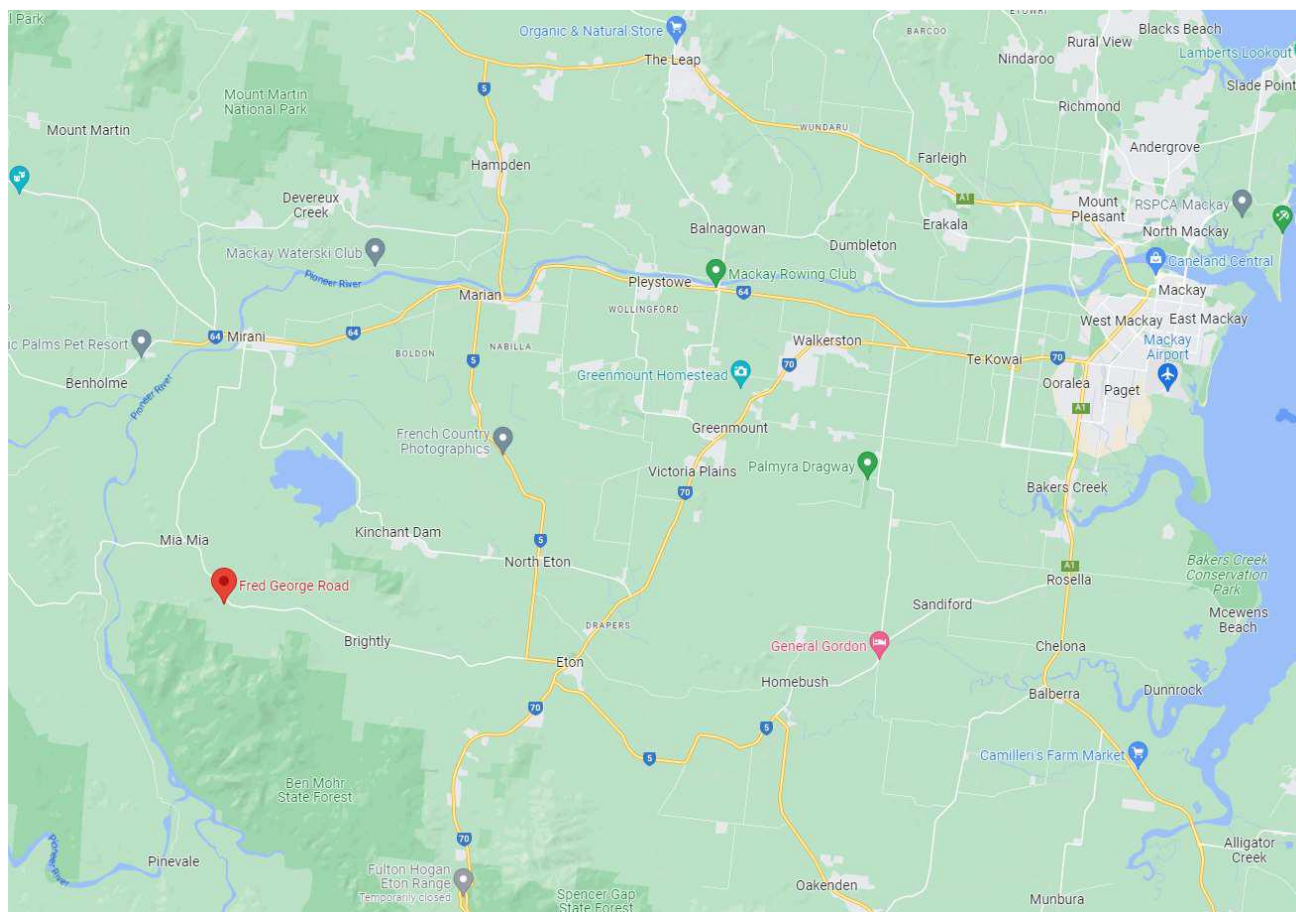
Courses are generally held Monthly, usually on the fourth Saturday of each month.

This can change for various reasons, so please check our webpage

<https://ssaamackay.org.au/> or Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/SSAAMackay> for up-to-date information.

Courses are held in the training room at the Brightly Shooting Complex, 49 Fred George Road, Mia Mia, Qld 4754





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Courses start at 08:00 and are generally completed by 16:30

Please arrive by 07:45 for an 08:00 start.

There is a lot to cover in these courses and we need to start promptly to get through it all

How do I book?

Courses can be booked through the Online booking agency **Trybooking.com**

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/eventlist/eventListingURL?aid=119305>

Rifle/Shotgun courses are described as "SSAA Mackay A/B Firearm Safety Course"

Pistol courses are "SSAA Mackay Category H Firearms Safety Course"

- **If you are interested in pistols and you DON'T have a firearms licence, call us to discuss it before you make a booking!!**

NOTE: Pistol licencing is more involved than rifles and shotguns, and you need to jump through some hoops before you do your safety course. Email training@ssaamackay.org.au for more information about this.

- **DO NOT book for both courses on the same day!**

There isn't enough time to properly cover the material for both courses in one day

CANCELLATIONS

If you cannot make the course you have booked, please contact us immediately. We almost always have people waiting to attend these courses, and we will not give you a refund if you simply fail to show up. If you give us a week's notice we can refund you in most cases.



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What do I bring on the day?

1. **Photo ID**
 - eg Drivers licence, Passport, Student Card etc.
 - **NOTE;- Juniors also need Photoid**
2. **SSAA Membership Card**
 - if you have one
3. **USI Number**
 - if you don't have one go to <https://www.usi.gov.au>
4. **Confirmation of payment**
 - copy of the online acknowledgement/receipt
5. **Enclosed Footwear**
 - no sandals, thongs, **or Crocs etc.**
6. **Closed Top**
 - no singlets, halters, or low-cut shirts etc.
7. **Eye and Ear protection**
 - if you have your own; we supply plugs/muffs/glasses
 - you will not be allowed to shoot without these.
8. **LUNCH!**
 - we have cold water, tea, and coffee facilities, BUT;
 - You will not have time to go and buy lunch on the day