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Firearm Ownership

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APPLICATION FOR NEW LICENCES

Dear member (weens die dringende aard en tydsbeperking van die kommunikasie word dit nie weer in Afrikaans herhaal nie)

Some of our members have had their licence applications returned due to CFR stating that their Dedicated Certificates had lapsed.

NSA issues a Dedicated Certificate only once in accordance with the stipulations of Section 16 of the FCA and Regulation 4 of the Regulations 2004 as amended; after a member has completed the evaluation or if the status was awarded on grounds of recognition of the similar status with another accredited association.

Members' Dedicated Certificates are thus valid for as long as the member is a paid-up member (as per stipulations of the FCA and Regulations). To that end we issue members with a Proof of Membership document which they attach to their applications with their dedicated certificates showing that they are paid-up dedicated members of the NSA.

CFR, however, has indicated that they need authentication of a member's current dedicated status, and has indicated that Proof of Membership is not adequate. Be it as it may, and irrespective of how many arguments one can bring against that statement, members' applications are returned due to CFR not acknowledging and implementing the legally prescribed process. This meaning that members are frustrated and time is wasted with applications unnecessary. This is especially true for Dedicated Sport Persons.

Thus in future make sure you attach the following documents to your application to which there must always be an authenticated copy of your dedicated certificate(s) attached (if you are a dedicated member):

1. Proof of current paid-up membership

2. Endorsement of your motivation by NSA
3. Confirmation of validity of dedicated status document from NSA

The 3 above mentioned documents are issued free of charge to dedicated members - communicate your requirement of these documents to endorse@natshoot.co.za and we shall issue same.

For occasional hunters and sport persons, Proof of Current Membership and Endorsement of motivation for firearm is adequate - but attach copies thereof with a date as close to the application date as possible - we issue these documents free of charge whenever they are requested - request at endorse@natshoot.co.za

It is clear that endorsements have become more and more important to attach to motivations.

Please do not slip here as it is in your own best interest to attach these documents as it is you who would want the licence issued.

We understand that this is yet another hurdle in the way of licensing, but bear in mind that a number of illegal happenings have taken place around the licensing of firearms and falsification of certificates have happened.

NSA's stance on this matter is philosophical - help yourself to get your licence application evaluated.

Keep safe, be aware of what happens around you and protect yourself at all times !!!

Kind regards
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