



Australian Government

Department of Defence

DEC09 – FIREARM(S)/AMMUNITION END USE CERTIFICATE GUIDELINES

What is the purpose of the DEC09?

The Australian Government monitors and controls the export of firearms and related goods. Firearms, ammunition, firearm parts and accessories, regardless of their state, completeness or working condition, are subject to export controls under Commonwealth legislation.

The DEC09 – Firearm(s)/Ammunition End Use Certificate certifies that the End User (that is, the person/company that will receive and use the firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories) is **the final recipient** of the listed firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories exported from Australia, and will not re-export, sell or otherwise dispose of them without the consent of a Police Commissioner, or an appropriate Government Authority, in the country of destination.

When do I need to submit a DEC09?

When you are submitting an *Application to Export or Supply Controlled Goods and Technology* and:

- the export of firearms, ammunition parts and/or accessories is to any of the following destinations: *Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu**; or
- Defence Export Controls has requested a DEC09 based on the circumstances of your application.

* At the request of the Government of Vanuatu, DEC will only process applications for firearms exports from Australia to Vanuatu to the following approved consignees – Port Vila Hardware, LCM Store and Chew Store. Should exporters have any questions regarding this change, please contact Defence Export Controls (DEC).

Who needs to complete and sign a DEC09?

The **Applicant** (*i.e. the Australian exporter*) is to complete the top section of the DEC09 and forward to the End User to complete all other sections. If the Applicant is also the End User, please ensure all sections of the form are completed and signed.

The **End User** (*i.e. the person/company that will receive and use the firearm(s)/ammunition*) must complete all sections of the form up to and including the 'Certification by Firearm(s)/Ammunition End User'. It is also the End User's responsibility to obtain the endorsement of the Police Commissioner, or the appropriate Government Authority, of the destination country (*i.e. the country to which the goods will be exported*). **Please note that all signatures must be handwritten.**

How should I submit my DEC09?

The **Applicant** should attach a scanned copy of the DEC09 when submitting an *Application to Export Controlled Goods and Technology* via the Forms Website.

Where can I find further information on exporting firearms/ammunition?

The Defence Export Controls website www.defence.gov.au/deco/Firearms.asp provides further information. You can also contact Defence Export Controls on 1800 661 066, or +61 6266 7222 if outside Australia, between 0830 and 1630 Australian Eastern Standard Time Monday to Friday except Public Holidays, and via our email address: exportcontrols@defence.gov.au



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Applicant *(the person/company that will export the firearm(s)/ ammunition, parts and/or accessories)*

We request that this statement be considered as part of the *Application to Export or Supply Controlled Goods and Technology* for export of firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories described below.

Applicant's Name and Title	DCRN number
Physical Address (PO Box not acceptable)	Phone number
Applicant's signature	Date

End User *(i.e. the person/company/ final recipient that will receive and use the firearm(s)/ ammunition, parts and or accessories)* If the End User is the same as the applicant, please write as above. However, you **must still advise the intended use below AND complete and sign** the Certification by Firearm(s)/Ammunition End User section on page 2.

End User's Name and Title	
Physical Address (PO Box not acceptable)	Phone number
What will you, as the End User, use the firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories for?	

Firearm(s)/Ammunition - Please list all firearms, ammunition, parts and/or accessories relevant to this export.

Quantity	Make	Model	Calibre	Serial No#

Additional Information

If required, please provide any additional information that may support this application for the export. This space may also be used for listing additional firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories where the table on page 1 does not have sufficient space.

Certification by Firearm(s)/ Ammunition End User

- I certify that I am the End User of the firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories listed above;
- I certify that I will not re-export, sell or otherwise dispose of the firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories without the consent of the Police Commissioner, or appropriate Government Authority; and
- The firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories will only be used for the purpose stated above.

Printed Name and Title		Company Seal (if available)
Signature	Date	

Endorsement by Police Commissioner (or appropriate Government Authority) in the destination country

- I certify that the End User has advised our office of the importation, and the stated purpose of the firearm(s)/ammunition, parts and/or accessories listed above.

Printed Name and Title		Government Seal (if available)
Signature	Date	