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SCOUT / EXPLORER – ANNUAL SHOOTING DECLARATION

7th Epsom Scouts and Explorers often have the opportunity to take part in Olympic Target Shooting activities under the supervision of qualified instructors and coaches. This can either be at camps or at other Troop, Group, District, County or National activities organized during the year. We operate an annual declaration and permission system for these activities, which under Scout rules require parental permission. We are fortunate to be able to offer many different types of shooting activity, including live ammunition (0.22 cartridge) shooting for those aged 12yo and over (unless members of the Shooting Club). We are the only Scout Group in the country that can offer all these activities.

Please note that this declaration must be completed if you wish your child to shoot. No child will be allowed to shoot unless a completed declaration has been received. Any changes in circumstances must be notified to the leadership team immediately. A form will be required to be signed each year.

Please read the following carefully, sign the declaration and permission slip at the bottom of the page and return it to a member of the leadership team.

THE FIREARMS ACT 1968 – SECTION 21

“Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968 prohibits the possession of a firearm and ammunition (under any circumstances), by any person who has been convicted of a crime and sentenced to a term of imprisonment (or its equivalent for young persons) of 3 months or more. The prohibition applies in all circumstances, including handling and firing at an approved club or at a clay pigeon shoot where a certificate is not ordinarily required. It also applies to the possession or use of other categories of firearms and ammunition such as airguns or shotgun cartridges for which a certificate is not needed. A sentence of 3 months to 3 years attracts a 5 year prohibition, shorter ones mean no prohibition but a longer one means a life ban.”

Now please complete the following declaration:

In respect of _____ **(full name). DoB:** _____

I, being the parent/guardian of the person named above declare that he/she is not subject to restriction by virtue of the regulations set out in Section 21 of the Firearms Act 1968.

I hereby also give permission for the above named to participate in Olympic Target Shooting activities organized during the period 1st September 2011 to 31st August 2012, to include;

Air Rifle and Air Pistol: Yes/No

0.22 Live Ammunition Shooting: Yes/No

at camps or any other shooting activities (including the Bisley National Championships) organized by the Troop, Group, District, County or 7th Epsom Scouts Shooting Club.

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____