



Sporting Shooters Pistol Club (Vic)

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About the SSPC

Sporting Shooters Pistol Club is located at the SSAA shooting range at 714-716 Princes Hwy Springvale (Near the Sandown Raceway). The facility contains five approved pistol ranges including air pistol, rimfire and centerfield. This allows for numerous types of pistol shooting at ranges from 7 meters to 50 meters. We hold shoots and competitions for Air Pistol, ISSF style 25 meter, Service match at 25 and 50 meter, IPSC, Metallic Silhouette and Single Action "Cowboy" Shooting.

SSPC is one of the biggest handgun target shooting clubs in Victoria. Our club is run by a large group of volunteers and we maintain a friendly club atmosphere where family participation is encouraged. We can show you how to safely participate in handgun target shooting and you will learn how to take part in a number of different target shooting disciplines which will develop your skill and enjoyment of this great sport.

Club members have access to a number of pistols in various calibres, which can be used for practice or competition at Springvale range. We hold competition and practice shoots on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday night from 5pm, Saturdays from 10am and Sundays from 12pm. Please check the events calendar on our website for more information.

How to Apply for Membership

Your first step is to book in for the Introduction to Handguns course. This course is run at twice per month from the Springvale range and covers basic handgun safety, range safety, shooting fundamentals and an introduction to our club. You need to book in via our website at www.sspc.org.au.

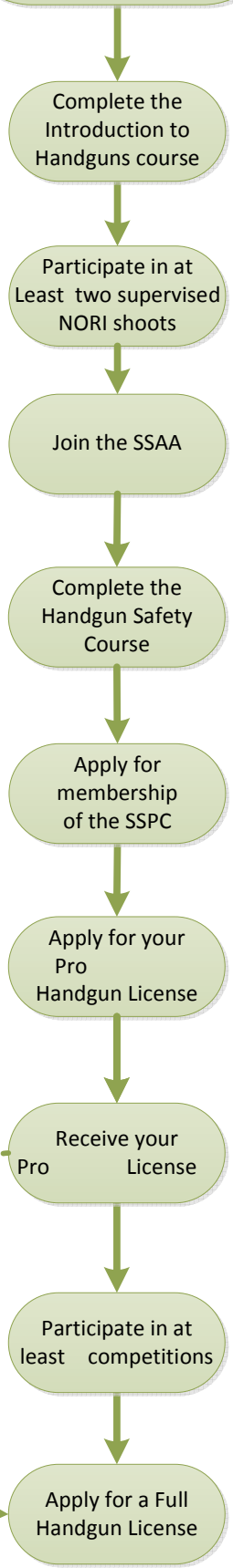
After you have completed the intro course, you will be able to come down to the range and participate in a supervised (NORI) shoot along with our other members. You need to do this at least twice and complete the handgun safety course before applying for membership and your provisional handgun licence.

Please look over the membership application process chart on the next page for more information!



How to Join SSPC

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Joining a pistol club and getting a handgun license in Victoria is a fairly involved process. This chart will show you the steps required along the way.

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Supervised NORI participations

After you have completed the intro course, you will be able to come down to the range and participate in a supervised (NORI) shoot along with our other members. You need to do this at least twice on separate days.

Join the SSAA

We are a sub-club of the SSAA, as such you must be a member of the SSAA before becoming a member of our club. The SSAA joining forms are available from the front desk at the Springvale range. Remember that your SSAA membership comes with a free monthly magazine and you get a discounted range entry fee!

Handgun Safety Course

You will need to attend (and pass!) a handgun safety course before applying to join. Dates and costs for the handgun safety course are available from the front desk at the Springvale range. Handgun safety courses are held once per month and generally go from 8am until 12pm on a Saturday. After completing the safety course you will be issued with a handgun safety certificate.

Apply For Membership of SSPC

Complete the membership form and include a photocopy of your participation record from your Intro book, safety course certificate and SSAA membership receipt. Applications for membership are reviewed at each committee meeting (4th Tuesday of each month). If your application is accepted then you will be required to pay the joining fee which covers your membership until the 30th of April. As a new member, you can keep shooting using NORI forms (up to a total of 10 times) until your pro license is issued.

Apply for a Pro Handgun License

Once you have joined the SSPC, you can apply for your Probationary Handgun License. This license will allow you to shoot and participate in competitions using club handguns. The probationary license duration is at least 6 months. During this time you must participate in at least 6 competitions with our club. Note that it takes at least 1 month for the police to process your probationary licence. While you are waiting for it to arrive you can continue to shoot with us using a NORI form.

Keep participating in Competitions!

Now you have your Probationary License, you can participate in almost all of the competitions and shoots which are held by the SSPC. Some comps require you to have a holster qualification, but you can participate in most without a holster. We also hold fun shoots (bowling pins, metal plates, etc.) These don't count towards your competition requirements, but are great fun and you get to improve your skill and meet new people.

Apply for a Full Handgun License

After holding a Probationary Handgun License for 6 months and having participated in at least 6 competitions, you can now apply for a Full Handgun License. Your full license application needs to be approved by the SSPC at the monthly committee meeting (Just like your initial membership). After you receive your full license you can start purchasing your own handgun.