

Control of Explosives Regulations 1991 – Guidance on Explosive Certificate

The issuing of explosive certificates is in an area where the processes to be followed and issues to be considered are, in over 90% of cases, not likely to be visited for upward of 5 years. These notes are intent to inform and advise those who have roles that are in the main administrative, but will also remind ELOs, of elements of the process that the regulations require.

Application forms

COER 1

Use for -

- Any application for the grant or renewal of a certificate by individuals or a body corporate **except** those in the right hand column.

(Some examples of where COER1 is to be used -, quarrying, mining, any contractor involved with explosives, academic bodies, explosive manufacturers, Registered Firearms Dealers, Powder officers of Re-enactment Societies)

Do not use for -

- Grant application by an individual for their own use of Blackpowder in firearms or shotguns.
- Grant application by an individual for their own use of blackpowder in relation to re-enactment. (cannon crew etc)
- Any Renewal of the above situations in this column
- Any type of Visitor(s) application.

COER 1A

Use for -

- Grant applications by an individual for their own use of Blackpowder in firearms or shotguns.
- Grant applications for an individual's own use in relation to re-enactment.
- Renewal of a certificate that is NOT to be co-terminal with their application to renew a firearm or shotgun certificate .
- Renewal of a certificate where the applicant wishes to change from acquire only to acquire and keep or vice versa.
- Renewal where the applicant is now applying for or has a registration/licence under MSER

Do not use for -

- Any type of Visitor(s) application
- Any application that is not for the purposes specified in the left hand column

COER 1B

Use for -

- Application by an individual only for renewal of an Acquire Only or Acquire and Keep certificate for their own use of Blackpowder in firearms or shotguns that is submitted at the same time they apply for the renewal for a firearm or shotgun certificate or both.

Do not use for -

- Any other renewal application for any other purpose.
- Any renewal where the applicant wishes to change from acquire only to acquire and keep or vice versa.
- Renewal where the holder has a registration or licence under MSER

COER 2

Use for

- Any application on behalf of a visitor coming from outside England, Scotland or Wales, whether the purpose relates to a work activity or to any sporting or recreational use.

(Some examples of the use of COER 2 – overseas blasting contractors etc, re-enactors attending events, muzzle loading shooters entering for competitions or other sporting activity)

Do not use for

- Any other purpose