



## IMPORTING WEAPONS – DEALER TEST

To import certain weapons into Australia, written permission from the Minister is required. Applications will only be considered when the weapons being imported comply with a legislated test.

One of the tests applicable to certain weapons is the dealer test. The dealer test applies to licensed dealers when importing goods for demonstration or inspection.

### WHICH GOODS DOES THE DEALER TEST APPLY TO?

The dealer test is applicable to all weapons listed in Schedule 13 of the *Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956*.

### HOW TO APPLY

All applications must be made in writing using a *B710 Form – Application for Permission to Import Schedule 3 and 13 Weapons*.

The B710 Form is available in the forms section of the Customs and Border Protection website at [www.customs.gov.au](http://www.customs.gov.au)

In addition to the B710 Form, supporting documents must be provided with an application to demonstrate that the importation complies with the dealer test.

Applications, including supporting documents, must be sent to:

Australian Customs and Border Protection Service  
Firearms & Weapons Section  
5 Constitution Avenue  
CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601

### REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. A certified copy of a licence or authorisation that demonstrates the importer is authorised to possess the goods for the importer's intended use in accordance with the law of the State or Territory in which the goods are to be used.
2. A statutory declaration stating the goods will be used for demonstration or inspection purposes only and are not to be on-sold.

3. A statutory declaration stating that the import will not result in the dealer having more than one (1) of a particular model of good or more than a total of five (5) of each goods type. For example, no more than five (5) automatic knives.
4. If the dealer has imported one of the same model of a goods type previously under the dealer test, or more than five in total of any goods type, evidence must be supplied that the goods have been destroyed by Police or exported out of Australia.

### IMPORT CONDITIONS

Goods that are being imported for the purposes of demonstration or inspection under the dealer test must be retained for this purpose only until destroyed by Police or exported out of Australia.

A dealer cannot have in Australia more than one (1) of each model of good.

A dealer cannot have in Australia more than five (5) of each goods type. For example, no more than five (5) automatic knives.

### HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO PROCESS MY APPLICATION?

Applications must be made prior to the importation of the goods. This process takes approximately three weeks, provided all required information is supplied initially.

If any information is missing from the application, or if additional information not specified is requested, applications may exceed the standard three-week turnaround time.

Goods should not be forwarded to Australia until permission to import is granted. Goods that are imported without a valid permit may be subject to seizure and disposal.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Further information about the importation of weapons is available on the Customs and Border Protection website or through the Customs Information and Support Centre.

Website: [www.customs.gov.au](http://www.customs.gov.au)

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