

Mutual Recognition (Automatic Deemed Registration Exemption — Western Australia) (Firearms) Declaration 2025

I, the Honourable Roger Cook MLA, Premier of Western Australia, make the following declaration.

Dated 02 April 2025

Hon Roger Cook MLA

Premier of Western Australia

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1 Name

This instrument is the *Mutual Recognition (Automatic Deemed Registration Exemption — Western Australia) (Firearms) Declaration 2025*.

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

| Commencement information | | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 |
| Provisions | Commencement | Date/Details |
| 1. The whole of this instrument | The later of:  (a) the day after this instrument is registered; and  (b) 31 March 2025. |  |

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 42S(1) of the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992*.

4 Definitions

In this instrument:

***Act*** means the *Mutual Recognition Act 1992*.

5 Registrations exempted from automatic deemed registration

(1) For the purposes of subsection 42S(1) of the Act, the registrations specified in column 1 of the table are excluded from the operation of automatic deemed registration in Western Australia.

(2) The statement set out in column 2 of the table explains, under subsection 42S(2) of the Act, the significant risk to consumer protection, the environment, animal welfare or the health or safety of workers or the public on which basis the Minister is satisfied that the exclusion of the registrations in column 1 is necessary.

| Exempted registrations | |
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| Column 1 | Column 2 |
| Registration | Statement explaining significant risk |
| 1. A firearm authority under the *Firearms Act 2024* of Western Australia that is a registration for an occupation or for an activity covered by an occupation | Automatic deemed registration in relation to these registrations would remove critical identity and security checks that could lead to the unverified and unregulated sale of firearms in Western Australia, which could put the public at significant risk. |

6 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendment related to repeal of the Firearms Act 1973 of Western Australia

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1 Section 5 (table item 2)

Repeal the item.