

Explosives Act 1875

**Form of Notice to the Local Authority to Register Premises
for keeping Gunpowder or Mixed Explosives**

1. Applicant

Name of applicant (person or company)	
Postal address of applicant	
Company name and address (if applicable)	
Contact telephone	
E mail and/or Fax	

2. Details of premises to be registered

Location / full postal address of premises to be registered	
Mode of Keeping (either Mode A or B) (See attached notes)	

3. Remarks and Conditions

- a) Principal Regulations, Appendix F to Guide to Explosives Act 1875 apply.
- b) Security requirements as required by Garda Crime Prevention Officer (CPO) apply
- c) Fire precautions as required by local authority Fire Officer apply.
- d) Registration with the local authority must be renewed annually. This form can also be used for annual renewal of registration.

Signature of applicantDate of Application.....

<u>Registration of Premises Acknowledgement by Local authority</u>	
Signature:.....	Position/Appointment.....
Signed on behalf of	Local Authority
Date of Registration/Renewal:	Date for next renewal:.....
Reference No.	
Acknowledgement of registration should be kept by applicant. Local Authority should also forward a copy of completed registration form to Crime 4, Department of Justice and Equality, 94 St Stephen's Green, Dublin 2	

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Notes on Registered Premises

1. Sections 21-29 of the Explosives Act 1875 (and Appendix F of Guide to Act) deal with registration of premises for the storage of explosives with the local authority and the regulation of the premises. Registration with the local authority must be renewed annually.
2. It should be noted that as ammunition is classified as an explosive under the Explosives Act 1875, a registered firearms dealer (i.e. registered with the DJE under firearms legislation) must also register his premises annually with the local authority (i.e. under the explosives legislation).
3. There are two modes of storage for a registered premises, each with different limits: (for storage of explosives other than small arms ammunition see Note 4)

Mode A : A substantial building (constructed of brick, iron, stone or concrete or an excavation in solid rock) or a securely constructed fireproof safe detached from a dwelling at a safe distance from a street or public place. General Explosive limit for Mode A = 317 kg (700lbs) NEC of small arms ammunition.

Mode B: A substantial receptacle or safe inside a dwelling house or public room. General explosive limit = 249 kg (550lbs) NEC of small arms ammunition.

4. **Pyrotechnics, propellant powder and other explosives:** Storage of small amounts of explosives and pyrotechnics other than SAA is permitted in Registered Premises under Modes A and B, and details are given in the Act, or in the Guidance Notes on Explosives Legislation on the website of the DJE - see <http://www.justice.ie>. However to ensure that current best practice for such explosive storage is followed, the local authority should consult a Government Inspector of Explosives for advice prior to registration or renewal.
5. **Larger quantities:** Note that for storage of larger quantities of explosives, a local authority store is required in accordance Sections 15-20 of Explosives Act and the Stores for Explosives Order 2007 - S.I. No. 804 of 2007. The Application Form and copy of the Stores Order is available on DJE website www.justice.ie .

Notes:

- SAA: Small arms ammunition, which includes shotgun, pistol and rifle ammunition.
- NEC: Net Explosive Content, i.e. the weight of propellant powder or explosive not including the weight of cartridge/case/packaging etc. (SAA propellant weight is usually expressed in grains. Typical powder conversions for SAA: 1 lb = 7,000grains of powder, 500lbs = 106,000 x 30 grain cartridges, 41,000 x 85 grain cartridges, or 83,000 x 42 grain cartridges.)
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