



Applying for Import Permission OFFICIAL PURPOSES

Official Purposes Test

Under this test importers may import articles for Commonwealth, State or Territory 'government purposes'.

These purposes can include:

- Supply to government under a contract in force at the time of the import; or
- Shown to government to demonstrate their use; or
- Supplied to the government to inspect, test or evaluate; or
- Supplied to the government to use for training; or
- Given or donated to government, or
- For use in testing related to a contract with the government.

Who can apply?

Governments, companies or individuals.

Import Conditions

Article/s that are being imported for the purposes of demonstration, inspection, testing, evaluation or use in training, must be exported within a specified time frame unless they have been destroyed or the government acquires ownership of the articles. This time frame will be specified on the import permit.

Some articles that are being imported for the purposes of testing related to a contract with the government (e.g. ammunition) must be consumed or destroyed in the course of testing.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be made in writing to the Attorney-General's Department.

Required Supporting Documentation

- 1. Completed application form including details of articles to be imported, the reason for importation and the date of import.
- 2. A certified copy of a licence or authorisation which demonstrates that the importer is authorised to possess the article for the importer's intended use in accordance with the law of the State or Territory in which the article is to be used.

- 3. Evidence of contract or request of goods and evidence of end user:

- ⇒ Copy of Purchase order; or
- ⇒ Copy of the contract between the importer and the government relating to the supply of the articles;

and

- ⇒ End user certificate; or
- ⇒ Letter from government stating they will own the articles at time of import, or will acquire the articles.

- 3. Evidence of use for one of the above listed purposes:

- ⇒ Copy of contract; or
- ⇒ Letter from government stating purpose the article/s will be used for.

- 4. Evidence of donation and ownership:

- ⇒ Letter from donor stating they have donated the article/s to the government;

and

- ⇒ Letter from the government stating that the articles have been donated, that they own the article/s at the time of importation and will retain ownership of the article/s; or

- ⇒ End user certificate.

(Note: The government, as owners of the article/s, are responsible for applying for import permission)

- 5. Evidence of ownership and purpose:

- ⇒ Statement that government owns the article/s; or
 - ⇒ End user certificate;
- and**
- ⇒ Statement detailing the purpose of the importation.