

SHOOTER CERTIFICATION CARDS (SCC) REQUIREMENTS 2024

ADDITION OF HAND LOADED AMMUNITION CERTIFICATION

Following a number of safety incidents involving hand loaded ammunition, the NRA are implementing the addition of “Hand Loaded Ammunition” as a recognised certification on Shooter Certification Cards (SCC) issued from January 2024 onwards.

Safety is paramount and all members of both the NRA and affiliated clubs who hand load ammunition must ensure they follow safe practice in the preparation and use of ammunition.

The NRA has developed a Code of Practice (CoP) for Hand Loading Ammunition which provides guidance for the safe preparation and use of ammunition. It is not intended to provide comprehensive instruction on hand loading techniques, nor is it intended to replace or be a substitute for hand loading manuals or hand loading training courses, such as the one offered by the NRA.

To obtain hand loaded ammunition certification on an SCC, shooters need to read the CoP and complete and sign the Declaration on page 9 - <https://nra.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/NRA-Code-of-Practice-for-Handloading-Firearms-Ammunition.pdf> A declaration then remains valid indefinitely unless revoked by the club or the NRA.

Shooters who use hand loaded ammunition, but do not hand load themselves, are not required to have it on their SCC.

SCCs issued by the NRA

NRA Members who have 4 year SCCs should email or post the signed Declaration to the membership department for inclusion on their SCC – handloadedscc@nra.org.uk

NRA SCCs which expire in 2023 will be produced and distributed from 1st November 2023 to 28th February 2024.

Any NRA member whose SCC expires in 2024/2025/2026/2027 will have new SCCs produced between 1st March and 1st June 2024.

SCCs issued by affiliated clubs

Members of affiliated clubs are required to send their signed Declaration to their Club Chairperson, who will retain the Declaration with club records and request the addition to member SCCs through the annual club renewal process.

SCCs will be distributed with the 2024 affiliation paperwork.

The implementation date for Hand Loaded Ammunition Certification on both Bisley and MoD ranges is 1st June 2024.