

Question on Notice
No. 167
Asked on 6 March 2024

MR P WEIR ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND COMMUNITY SAFETY (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise from 2020 to current, inclusive by years (a) the average wait time for an application for a full Category C or Category D firearm licence to be approved for a primary producer and (b) once an approval has been granted how often does the primary producer have to provide invoices of sale of stock or crop or proof of purchase documents for stock or crop?

ANSWER:

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that while Weapons Licensing does not currently separately track the time for processing individual primary producer applications, the average wait times for all new weapons licence applications (which includes primary producer applications) were: 12.4 weeks in 2020, 19.8 weeks in 2021, 24.3 weeks in 2022, 14.7 weeks in 2023 and 9.8 weeks to 10 March 2024.

I am informed by the QPS that a primary producer does not have to provide invoices of sale of stock or crop or proof of purchase documents for stock or crop after a licence is approved by Weapons Licensing. They are however responsible for advising Weapons Licensing if any reason previously endorsed on their licence changes.