



Bringing rifles, shotguns, etc. into Sweden

According to the Swedish Weapons Act (1996:67), visitors are obliged to apply for Prior Consent, which allows them to bring rifles or handguns into Sweden for certain categories of use, such as hunting or shooting competitions, for a period of three months after their arrival in Sweden.

In order to apply, it is necessary to fill in Form **RPS 553.10 Ansökan om tillstånd att till Sverige införa skjutvapen/ammunition enligt 2 kap. 11 och 13 §§ vapenlagen** (*Application for a permit to bring firearms or ammunition into Sweden as per Chapter 2, §§ 11 and 13 of the Swedish Weapons Act*). This form can be accessed on the website of the Swedish National Police Board www.polisen.se. Go first to - vapen (weapons) and then to - blanketter (forms) to find the form in question.

The application for Prior Consent must be accompanied by copies of licences verifying that you are entitled to own and use rifles/handguns in your own home country. If you are taking part in a hunting event, a copy of the invitation should be enclosed or, in the case of a shooting competition, a certificate verifying your participation. The application is to be accompanied by a Prior Consent fee of SEK 600 and sent to the local police authority in Sweden where you plan to cross the border.

When entering the country, you must also inform the Swedish Customs that you are bringing weapons into Sweden.