

Fit and Competent Controllers Form

# DEER COMMISSION for SCOTLAND

Forms may be downloaded from [http://www.dcs.gov.uk/returns\\_cullAuthorise.htm](http://www.dcs.gov.uk/returns_cullAuthorise.htm)

The Deer (Scotland) Act 1996 requires that DCS, prior to issuing an authorisation, to establish that a controller so authorised is fit and competent. To ensure that DCS make the correct judgement applicants must provide a **minimum of two referees**.

**This form to be completed by the Controller seeking to be Registered Fit & Competent with the Deer Commission for Scotland**

For Official Use Only	TSM Signature & Date		DCS Reference:
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### Section 1 – Your Contact Details

Surname:	Forename/s:
Address:	Tel No:
Post Code:	Mobile:
	Fax:
e-mail address:	I wish to receive correspondence by e-mail

### Section 2 – Method of Registering

If you wish to register using a DMQ Level 2 certificate this must have been obtained within the last 5 years. Your registration will last 5 years from the date this qualification was gained

**I wish to register via my DMQ 2**

**Please provide photocopy of DMQ certificate**

**or I wish to register using 2 references named below**

If you wish to register using 2 references your registration will last 5 years from the date both references have been accepted

Full Name of your 1 <sup>st</sup> Referee:	Ref No: For Official Use	
Full Name of your 2 <sup>nd</sup> Referee:	Ref No: For Official Use	

### Section 3 – Your Experience, Knowledge and Qualifications

Species	Red	Sika	Roe	Fallow	Total
No of years Controller has experience shooting					
Average no of deer controlled per year					

Details of Previous Control Under DCS Authorisations	26/2	18/2	5/6
Number of authorisations you have been a Named Controller			
Expiry Date of most recent Authorisations			

Please List Relevant Qualifications that you hold	Year Gained
DMQ Level 1 (Please tick if you have achieved this qualification) DMQ Level 2 (Please tick if you have achieved this qualification) <b>Other Relevant Qualifications – Please List below</b>	

Further Details of Deer Management Experience

<p><b>I CONFIRM THAT:</b></p> <p>(a) to my knowledge the statements made by me above are true;</p> <p>(b) I understand that I may be asked to provide further details by the Deer Commission for Scotland at any time.</p> <p><b>Please Print Your Full Name:</b></p> <p>Signed:..... Date:</p>
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Please return this form to: Deer Commission for Scotland, Great Glen House, Leachkin Road, Inverness, IV3 8NW or Fax: 01463 725048

**Best Practice Guides which may be Relevant to the Competent Culling of Deer**

Best Practice is produced by the Deer Commission for Scotland (DCS), in consultation with industry groups and relevant specialist organisations. The series of guides has two distinct sections: the how-to section, which provides guidance as to what is considered “Best Practice” for the majority of deer management activities, and the associated information section, which disseminates relevant policy, law and research.

Published guides are accessible either through the DCS website at [www.dcs.gov.uk](http://www.dcs.gov.uk) or by subscription to the Best Practice Guidance (BPG) series.

**Relevant Guides:**

Deer Ecology and Behaviour

Red Deer

Roe Deer

Sika Deer

Fallow Deer

Deer Health and Welfare

Deer Health

Notifiable Diseases

Welfare: Definition and Assessment

Welfare: Culling

Planning

Cull Records

Firearms

Safety

Maintenance and Zeroing

Rifles and Ammunition

Marksmanship

Firing Positions

Security, Transport and Storage

Culling

Shot Placement

Reaction to Shot and Follow-up

Humane Dispatch

Use of Dogs

Mechanical & manual extraction

Carcass Preparation

Carcass Inspection

Basic Hygiene Principles

Gralloching

Lardering

Larder Hygiene and Waste Disposal

People and Resources

Risk Assessment

Health and Safety

**DCS guides**

Natural Heritage Statutory Designations

Approvals and Authorisations

Statutory Returns and Records

DCS Night Shooting Code of Practice