



## Australian Biathlon Association (ABA)

### Rifle Hire Agreement - 2009

To the Biathlete,

The ABA has procured a number of new IZMASH biathlon rifles to be able to provide high quality training equipment to any current, new or aspiring biathlete. This has been achieved through careful funds management and is one of many ways ensuring the proficient growth and continuation of biathlon within Australia. In accordance with the guidelines agreed upon by the ABA Executive Committee and in consultation with the ABA Equipment Officer, the hire of these ABA rifles has been set at the following rates: -

1. \$350 capped per winter season or,
2. \$100 per 2 week period.
3. \$350 bond deposit - payable for either hire periods

These costs will be effective for the 2009 season and remain effective until further advised. The nominated bond deposit can be made payable via pre-signed cheque, cash or EFT deposit held in trust by the ABA Treasurer. Please record all EFT transaction receipts and mark the deposit with "Hire+*surname*" on the internet bank page.

Hire rifles can be collected from and later returned to Doug McConville at: - Rays Ski Hire Myrtleford 0357 21306 (please phone prior). Your current firearm licence must be produced at the time of pick up of any rifle

#### Terms & Conditions

In accepting responsibility for the hire of an Australian Biathlon Association rifle and its accessories I hereby agree to the following conditions:-

1. **The rifle must be checked and confirmed it is unloaded upon collection and return to the temporary or final storage location.** The rifle must also be cleared of all ammunition at the cessation of each training event,
2. The firearm must be operated in accordance with any and all Victorian Police legislation and typical good common sense habits depicting the safe and correct use of firearms. Always treat the firearms as if it were loaded, never point the barrel at anyone or anything other than the intended biathlon target etc.
3. The rifle must not be used for any other purpose other than training and competing in the sport of biathlon. EG: It must not be used for hunting or "plinking" or any illegal activity.
4. The rifle must be stored in accordance with the storage regulations as listed by the Victorian Police Firearms Laws and in accordance with the conditions of issue of your shooters licence.
5. The rifle and its accessories as listed below must be maintained by the hirer in the same condition as issued on the day of pick-up and must be cleaned and lightly oiled after each use.
6. Should the rifle and its accessories suffer damage, theft, loss or be confiscated whilst in possession of the hirer, the hirer will meet all costs of repairs required to return the rifle and its accessories to its previous state, or replaced at current market value. If any of the above incidents do occur the hirer must report it to an ABA committee member the within 7 days.
7. The hirer must ensure the rifle is present at all biathlon competition and training days as designated by the ABA or other times deemed necessary by the ABA, during such times the onus of responsibility will be passed to the ABA committee.
8. The rifle must not be sub-loaned to any other person by the hirer.
9. The rifle must not be taken out of Australia without prior approval in writing by the ABA.
10. One Calendar Ski Season will commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April for the year of hire and terminate on 1<sup>st</sup> of October the same year of hire.
11. On termination of any hire period the hirer must make all reasonable attempts to return the rifle to the Equipment Officer no later than 2 days after the final day of hire.

