There are many considerations to come with each question, the immediate area, property use and the purpose of the shoot.

What should a landowner do if requested by someone to shoot on their property?

Ask questions

- What is the purpose of shooting?
- Does their licence allow that purpose for shooting?
- Why is that shooting going to occur on your property?
- What's in it for the landowner (you)?
- What risks has the shooter eliminated / mitigated?
- Yourself / animals / neighbours
- What equipment are they using?
- Can the shooter use that?
- Is there a cost to you?
- Are you comfortable with allowing this person to shoot on your property?

What is not allowed?

There are a variety of uses for firearms.

Check with SAPOL Firearms Branch if unsure.

Should a property owner request a sighting of a shooter's licence?

Yes, note the purpose of use and check with Firearms Branch what that enables the shooter to do.

A description of the purpose of use are listed here.

- Shooting Club
- Target Shooting
- Hunting
- Paintball / gel blaster
- Primary Production
- Security Guard
- Contract shooter
- (CWM is for Conservation and Wildlife Management for DEW purposes)
- Commercial Range
- Shooting Gallery
- Collector
- Dealer
- Miscellaneous

Do you have any general recommendations such as no shooting within 1.5km of a public road or access track?

Public safety is the legislated purpose of firearms control. The shooter is responsible to ensure the shoot is conducted safely.

Where possible, warning signs should be erected to alert persons to the shoot being conducted in the area.

If you do not consider the shooter's actions to be safe, ask them to stop shooting and leave if they are on your property.

Do neighbours have to be warned that there may be shooting on a given date and where on the property?

Legislatively, no, but if a neighbour knows to prepare for the sound or sight of a person using a firearm in the area, they are less likely to be alarmed.

What is the procedure for a property owner to cull some animals such as rabbits, hares, kangaroos, goats, feral pigs etc.

Landowners are responsible for the eradication of pests from their land and there are many ways to cull animals. This is best discussed with Department of Environment and Water (DEW).

Is this to be done in conjunction with National Parks?

Check with DEW / National Parks for guidelines.

Is there a list of licensed shooting contractors who cull animals with email addresses and or phone numbers?

There are a number of pest control groups available including contract shooters, volunteer groups and individual volunteers. It is best the interested landholder research the best option for their situation.