

FLORIDA CONCEALED WEAPON OR FIREARM LICENSE

Application Instructions

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services issues licenses to eligible Florida residents and non-residents, permitting them to carry a concealed weapon or firearm.

With a concealed weapon or firearm license also comes a tremendous responsibility.

Individuals who choose to arm themselves with weapons should, therefore, be armed with the most indispensable weapon of all: knowledge.

Review provisions of the law that regulate the use of weapons and firearms before choosing to carry one.

Please make every effort to exercise your lawful right safely and responsibly.



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Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

BEFORE COMPLETING A PAPER APPLICATION, READ THIS!

You can apply electronically for a Florida Concealed Weapon or Firearm License at one of the Division of Licensing's Regional Offices or at one of the authorized tax collector's offices located throughout the State of Florida. Either service is designed to allow applicants to complete the entire application process quickly and conveniently.

DO NOT COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION. At the time of your appointment, staff will assist you with completing an electronic application. Staff will also scan your fingerprints, take your photograph, and process your payment.

Information regarding both services is available on our website at www.mylensesite.com.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGES CAREFULLY. FAILURE TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION IN ITS ENTIRETY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL CAUSE DELAYS IN THE PROCESSING OF YOUR APPLICATION.

TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK WHEN COMPLETING THE APPLICATION. PLACE LETTERS AND NUMBERS WITHIN THE DESIGNATED BOXES.

IF YOU RECEIVED THE APPLICATION PACKAGE BY MAIL, RETURN YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND OTHER MATERIALS USING THE ENVELOPE INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE. IF YOU DOWNLOADED YOUR APPLICATION, USE AN ENVELOPE THAT IS LARGE ENOUGH TO ENSURE THE APPLICATION AND OTHER REQUIRED DOCUMENTS LIE FLAT AND ARE NOT FOLDED OR CREASED.

MINIMUM ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- You must be at least 21 years of age unless you are a servicemember, as defined in Section 250.01, Florida Statutes, or you are a veteran of the United States Armed Forces who was discharged under honorable conditions.
- You must meet the CITIZENSHIP and RESIDENCY requirements set forth in the law. See the instructions for Questions 5-7 in Section II below for further details.
- You must be able to provide a CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION from a firearms training class or other acceptable training document that evidences your competency with a firearm. See the instructions for Question 6 in Section II below for further details.
- You must not have a DISQUALIFYING CRIMINAL RECORD or other condition that would make you ineligible for licensure.

If you have any questions about your eligibility, you can complete the online preliminary eligibility questionnaire on our website at www.mylensesite.com.

SECTION I APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please provide all personal identifying information requested in this section. Note the following specific instructions:

- **USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS:** Section 119.071(5)(a) 2, Florida Statutes, authorizes the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, to request social security numbers from applicants. Applicant social security numbers are maintained and used by the Division of Licensing for identification purposes, to prevent misidentification, and to facilitate the approval process by the division. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, will not disclose an applicant's social security number without consent of the applicant to anyone outside of the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, or as required by law. HOWEVER, SUBMISSION OF YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER ON YOUR CONCEALED WEAPON LICENSE APPLICATION IS OPTIONAL AND VOLUNTARY. IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO SUBMIT YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER, IT WILL HAVE NO BEARING ON THE PROCESSING OF YOUR APPLICATION.
- **TELEPHONE NUMBER; EMAIL ADDRESS:** This information is requested to facilitate the application process should the division need to contact you about your application. Including this information on your application is VOLUNTARY.
- **RESIDENCE ADDRESS:** You must provide a residence address. A Post Office Box is not acceptable.

MILITARY SERVICE SEEKING EXPEDITED PROCESSING:

Answer YES to this question ONLY IF:

- You are an active-duty United States military servicemember, as defined in Section 250.01, Florida Statutes; OR
- You are an honorably discharged United States veteran, as defined in Section 1.01, Florida Statutes; AND
- You are requesting expedited processing of your application.

MILITARY SERVICE SEEKING EXPEDITED PROCESSING CONTINUED:

IF you answered yes to this question and are an active-duty United States military servicemember, submit your completed application along with any of the following:

- a copy of your Common Access Card;
- a copy of your United States Uniform Services Identification Card;
- a copy of your current deployment orders.

IF you answered yes to this question and are an honorably discharged United States veteran, submit a copy of the DD Form 214 indicating honorable discharge from military service or another acceptable form of identification recognized by the Department of Veterans' Affairs establishing honorable discharge from military service.

SECTION II QUALIFYING DATA

You must provide responses to all the questions indicated in this section. Please read the detailed instructions included here for each of the questions in this section.

QUESTION 1

If you answer YES to this question: Complete only Sections I and III of the application form. Submit the application with a color photograph, a fee payment in the amount of \$300, and a letter of certification stating that you are a consular official engaged in security duties on behalf of your government. This letter must be written in English on embassy or consulate letterhead stationery, and it must be signed by the ambassador, the ambassador's designee, or the consul-general.

QUESTION 2

Answer YES to this question ONLY IF:

- You are CERTIFIED by the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer as defined in ss. 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8), or (9), Florida Statutes; AND,
- You are CURRENTLY EMPLOYED as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer or correctional probation officer.

If you answer YES to this question: Submit your complete application along with a color photograph, a check or money order in the amount of \$55 for the license fee, and an official letter on agency letterhead stating that you are currently employed with that agency as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer. This letter must be signed by the agency head, the agency's authorized representative, or the agency's personnel officer.

QUESTION 3

Answer YES to this question ONLY IF you retired from a Florida law enforcement agency by which you were employed as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer.

If you answer YES to this question and retired within the year immediately preceding the date on which you are submitting your application to the division: submit your complete application along with a color photograph and a copy of an official document that shows the date of your retirement and the name of the public agency from which you retired. **You do not need to submit any fees.**

If you answer YES to this question and retired more than one year ago: submit a complete application, a fingerprint card, a color photograph, a copy of an official document that shows the date of your retirement and the name of the public agency from which you retired, and a fee payment in the amount of \$72 (license fee \$30 + fingerprint processing fee \$42).

PLEASE NOTE: You must have actually RETIRED as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer in order to qualify for the fee exemptions provided for in statute. Simply having been formerly employed at one time as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer is not sufficient. Note also that Florida law does not extend this fee exemption to federal law enforcement retirees or law enforcement retirees from other states.

QUESTION 4

Section 119.071, Florida Statutes, excludes from public disclosure specified information such as home addresses, telephone numbers, social security numbers, and photographs pertaining to certain individuals. To determine whether you qualify for an exemption, you can read the complete text of the law online at <http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/>.

Answer YES to this question ONLY IF you qualify for exemption as prescribed by s. 119.071, F. S.

EVEN IF YOU DO NOT QUALIFY FOR THE EXEMPTION AS DESCRIBED ABOVE: Section 790.0601, Florida Statutes, makes the personal identifying information of any concealed weapon licensee or applicant confidential and exempt from disclosure provisions of Florida's public records law EXCEPT IN THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS: (1) we have the express written consent of the applicant or licensee or his/her legally authorized representative to disclose information; (2) we receive a court order showing good cause for the disclosure of that information; or (3) we receive a request from a law enforcement agency in connection with the performance of that agency's lawful duties and responsibilities.

QUESTION 5

Per Section 790.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes, you must CURRENTLY RESIDE in this country in order to qualify for a Florida concealed weapon license. However, note the following special instruction:

- **If you are not currently residing in the United States because you are serving in the US Armed Forces:** submit a copy of your deployment documentation with your application.

QUESTION 6

Per Section 790.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes, you must be a CITIZEN of the United States or a PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN in order to qualify for a Florida concealed weapon license. However, note the following special instructions:

- **If you are a PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIEN:** submit the documentation issued to you by the Department of Homeland Security, U. S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) giving you permanent resident alien status.
- **If you were born outside the United States and are now a US citizen,** submit a copy of any one of the following documents with your application: a U.S. passport, a Consular Report of Birth (Form FS-240), a Certification of Report of Birth (DS-1350), a Certificate of Naturalization (Form N-550 or N-570), or a Certificate of Citizenship (Form N-560 or N-561). These various documents are issued either by the U.S. Department of State or the USCIS.

QUESTION 7

18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(7), prohibits individuals who have renounced United States Citizenship from possessing or purchasing firearms.

QUESTION 8

Section 790.06(2)(h), Florida Statutes, requires you to submit proof of competency with a firearm in order to qualify for a concealed weapon license. A copy of a CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION or similar document from any of the following courses or classes is acceptable:

- any hunter education or hunter safety course approved by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission or a similar agency in another state;
- any National Rifle Association firearms safety or training course;
- any firearms safety or training course or class available to the general public offered by a law enforcement agency, junior college, college, or private or public institution or organization or firearms training school, utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle Association, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, or the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;
- any law enforcement firearms safety or training course or class offered for security officers, investigators, special deputies, or any division or subdivision of law enforcement or security enforcement;
- any firearms training or safety course or class conducted by a state-certified instructor or by an instructor certified by the National Rifle Association.

The copy of the training certificate/document must be clear and legible. The certificate/document must include your name, your instructor's name, your instructor's qualifications/credentials (National Rifle Association instructor, law enforcement firearms instructor, Class "K" Firearms Instructor licensed by the State of Florida, etc.), and your instructor's license/certification number.

Other acceptable forms of training documentation include the following:

- documentary evidence of experience with a firearm obtained through participation in organized shooting competition;
- active-duty military personnel may submit copies of any of the following documents that confirm your experience with a firearm gained during service: military orders including call to active-duty letter; a statement of military service signed by, or at the direction of, the adjutant, personnel officer, or commander of your unit or higher headquarters which identifies you and provides your date of entry for your current active-duty period;
- former military personnel can submit a DD Form 214 reflecting honorable discharge from military service.

PLEASE NOTE: Any National Rifle Association firearms safety or training course, any firearms safety or training course or class available to the general public offered by a law enforcement agency, junior college, college, or private or public institution or organization or firearms training school, utilizing instructors certified by the National Rifle Association, the Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission, the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, or any firearms training or safety course or class conducted by a state-certified instructor or by an instructor certified by the National Rifle Association must include live fire using a firearm and ammunition as defined in Section 790.001, Florida Statutes, in the physical presence of an instructor.

DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL TRAINING DOCUMENTS OR OTHER RELATED MATERIALS TO THE DIVISION.

QUESTION 9

Per Section 790.06(2)(d), Florida Statutes, if you have been convicted of a felony as described in section 790.23, Florida Statutes, and the felony conviction occurred within the State of Florida, your civil rights **and** firearm rights must be restored by the Florida Office of Executive Clemency in order to qualify you for a Florida concealed weapon license. Felony convictions occurring in another state require restoration of civil **and** firearm rights by the state in which the conviction occurred. If you

QUESTION 9 CONTINUED

were convicted of a felony under federal law, you must have a Presidential pardon or have been granted relief from federal firearm disabilities through the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF). Please note - since 1992, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives' annual appropriation has prohibited the expending of any funds to investigate or act upon applications for relief from Federal firearms disabilities submitted by individuals. For information on how to obtain a Presidential pardon, contact the Office of the Pardon Attorney; U.S. Department of Justice; 500 First Street, N.W.; Washington, DC 20530; www.justice.gov/pardon/.

If your civil rights and firearms rights have not been restored as described above, you are not eligible for a Concealed Weapon or Firearm License. If you have restoration documents as described above, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 10

Per Section 790.06(2)(k), Florida Statutes, if you have had ADJUDICATION OF GUILT WITHHELD OR IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE SUSPENDED ON ANY FELONY, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license unless a period of three years has elapsed since probation, or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been expunged). If you answer YES question 10a, you may submit a copy of the document issued by the court or probation office evidencing completion of probation or other court-imposed conditions, or a copy of the court document ordering that the record be expunged, to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 11

Per Section 790.06(2)(l), Florida Statutes, if you have had ADJUDICATION OF GUILT WITHHELD OR IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE SUSPENDED ON A MISDEMEANOR CRIME OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license unless a period of three years has elapsed since probation, or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been expunged). If you answer YES to question 11a, you may submit a copy of the document issued by the court or probation office evidencing completion of probation or other court-imposed conditions, or a copy of the court document ordering that the record be expunged, to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 12

Per Section 790.06(3), Florida Statutes, if you have been FOUND GUILTY OF, HAD ADJUDICATION OF GUILT WITHHELD FOR, OR HAD IMPOSITION OF SENTENCE SUSPENDED FOR ONE OR MORE MISDEMEANOR CRIMES OF VIOLENCE, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license unless a period of three years has elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been sealed and expunged). If you answer YES to question 12a, you may submit a copy of the document issued by the court or probation office evidencing completion of probation, or other court-imposed conditions, or a copy of the court document ordering that the record be sealed or expunged, to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 13

Per Section 790.06(2)(l), Florida Statutes, if you have been CONVICTED OR FOUND GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR CRIME OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license. Owning or possessing a firearm by one who has been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence is also punishable under federal law 18 U.S.C. §922.

However, in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 921(a)(33)(C), if you had a single conviction of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence against an individual in a dating relationship and 5 years or more has elapsed from the later of the judgment of conviction or the completion of your custodial or supervisory sentence, that conviction would not be considered disqualifying.

A misdemeanor *crime of domestic violence* includes any misdemeanor conviction or suspended sentence involving the use or attempted use of physical force, or the threatened use of a deadly weapon, committed by a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim, by a person with whom the victim shares a child in common, by a person who is cohabiting with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, parent, or guardian, or by a person similarly situated to a spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim. Examples include, but are not limited to, spouse abuse, battery/domestic violence, child abuse, assault, etc. A person shall not be considered to have been convicted if the conviction or suspended sentence has been expunged or set aside, or is an offense for which the person has been pardoned or has had civil rights restored (if the law of the convicting state provides for the loss of civil rights upon conviction of such an offense) unless the pardon, expunction, or restoration of civil rights expressly provides that the person may not possess or receive firearms.

QUESTION 14

Per 790.06(2)(i) and 790.06(2)(j), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if any of the following conditions applies to you: (1) you have been adjudicated incapacitated under section 744.331, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state; (2) you have been committed to a mental institution in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 394, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state; (3) you have been adjudicated mentally defective or incompetent in any court.

Your eligibility for licensure would be restored only if you had received relief from federal firearms disabilities pursuant to Section 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the law of the state in which the commitment occurred.

QUESTION 14 CONTINUED

If you have court documents as described above, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 15

Per Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you chronically and habitually use alcoholic beverages or other substances to the extent that your normal faculties are impaired.

QUESTION 16

Per 790.06(2)(e)1, Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you have been found guilty of a crime under provisions of Chapter 893 or similar laws of any other state relating to controlled substances within a 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted.

If you have court documents that may affect your eligibility, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 17

Per Section 790.06(2)(e)2, Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you have been committed for the abuse of a controlled substance under Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state.

Your eligibility for licensure would be restored only if you had received relief from federal firearms disabilities pursuant to Section 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the law of the state in which the commitment occurred.

If you have court documents as described above, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 18

Per Section 790.06(2)(n), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you are prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm pursuant to Section 790.065(2)(a)4.b.(l), Florida Statutes, for the commitment of substance abuse under Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes.

Your eligibility for licensure would be restored only if you had received relief from federal firearms disabilities pursuant to Section 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the law of the state in which the commitment occurred.

If you have court documents as described above, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 19

Per Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you have been convicted for using a firearm while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, chemical substances, or controlled substances under Section 790.151, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted.

QUESTION 20

Per Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you have been deemed a habitual offender under the provisions of Section 856.011(3), Florida Statutes, (disorderly intoxication) or similar laws of any other state within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted.

QUESTION 21

Per Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you have had two or more convictions under Section 316.193, Florida Statutes, (driving under the influence) or similar laws of any other state, within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted.

QUESTION 22

Per 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(2), you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon or license if you are a fugitive from justice. The term **“fugitive from justice”** means any person who has fled from any State to avoid prosecution for a crime or to avoid giving testimony in any criminal proceeding. If the background check reveals that you are a fugitive from justice, the division will suspend the processing of your application until the division receives the final disposition of your case.

If you have court documents that may affect your eligibility, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 23

Per 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(6), you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license if you were discharged from military service under **DISHONORABLE CONDITIONS**.

If you have court documents that may affect your eligibility, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 24

Per Section 790.06(2)(n), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for licensure if you are prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by any provision of Florida or federal law.

If you have court documents that may affect your eligibility, you may provide them to the division to assist in the processing of your application.

QUESTION 25

Per Section 790.06(3), Florida Statutes, if you have been issued an injunction that is currently in force and effect that restrains you from committing acts of domestic violence or acts of repeat violence, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for a Florida concealed weapon license. If you choose to submit an application anyway, the division will suspend the processing of your application until the division receives the Order that the injunction is no longer in effect.

Pursuant to Section 790.06(3)(a), Florida Statutes, the department will issue an order confirming the end of the suspension within 90 days after you provide a copy of the final resolution of the injunction by electronic or certified mail to the location specified in the Notice of Suspension of the Time Limitation for Application Processing issued by the department.

QUESTION 26

Per Section 790.06(3), Florida Statutes, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for licensure if you are UNDER ARREST OR CURRENTLY CHARGED with any felony, or crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year; or any crime of violence, including crimes of domestic violence; or any crime under the provisions of Chapter 893, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state relating to controlled substances. If you choose to submit an application anyway, the division will suspend the processing of your application until the division receives the final disposition of your case. If the final disposition indicates that the case did not result in a conviction or a withholding of adjudication on a disqualifying crime, the suspension will be lifted, and the processing of your application will continue. If you are convicted or receive a withhold of adjudication on a disqualifying crime, your application will be denied.

Pursuant to Section 790.06(3)(a), Florida Statutes, the department will issue an order confirming the end of the suspension within 90 days after you provide a copy of the final resolution of the case by electronic or certified mail to the location specified in the Notice of Suspension of the Time Limitation for Application Processing issued by the department.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **FINGERPRINTS:** The law requires you to submit a COMPLETE AND LEGIBLE SET OF PRINTS. Please read the included information pertaining to fingerprint submissions. Law enforcement authorities occasionally find that fingerprints are insufficiently legible for a complete background check. If this occurs with your fingerprints, we will inform you by letter and request a second fingerprint submission from you.
- **PHOTOGRAPH:** You must also submit a PASSPORT-TYPE COLOR PHOTOGRAPH. Please refer to the included photograph instructions for details concerning the appearance of the photograph.
- **FEES:** The total fee for the Florida Concealed Weapon or Firearm License is \$97. This total actually consists of two separate fees:

License Fee:	\$55
Fingerprint Processing Fee:	\$42

IMPORTANT NOTE CONCERNING FEES

- If you had your fingerprints electronically scanned at a local law enforcement agency, you do not need to remit the \$42 fingerprint processing fee to the division. Please refer to the included ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS.
- If you are a CONSULAR SECURITY OFFICIAL, a \$300 license fee must be submitted with your application.
- If you are a FLORIDA LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, CORRECTIONAL OFFICER, OR CORRECTIONAL PROBATION OFFICER (ACTIVE or RETIRED), refer to the instructions for QUESTION 2 and QUESTION 3 for information concerning the required fees.

Fees must be paid with a check or money order made payable to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Do not send cash. The department will assume no liability for cash sent through the mail. Fees are nonrefundable and nontransferable.

- **FAMILIARITY WITH FLORIDA LAW:** You are required by law to read and become knowledgeable of the provisions of Chapter 790, Florida Statutes, relating to weapons and firearms, prior to submitting your application for a Florida Concealed Weapon or Firearm License. A link to Chapter 790, Florida Statutes is provided at mylicensesite.com, under Laws and Regulations.

Be sure to check your application!

Before mailing your application, please review it carefully to ensure that it is COMPLETE and ACCURATE. You should include the following items with your application.

- **TRAINING DOCUMENTATION as described in the section pertaining to QUESTION 8 above**
- **CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCY DOCUMENTATION as described in the sections pertaining to QUESTIONS 5-7 above (if applicable)**
- **COURT DOCUMENTATION as described in the sections pertaining to QUESTIONS 25-26 (if applicable)**
- **PHOTOGRAPH**
- **A COMPLETE AND LEGIBLE SET OF FINGERPRINTS OR A COPY OF YOUR RECEIPT FOR YOUR ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION**
- **A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER FOR THE APPROPRIATE FEES**

Check with your local post office to ensure the postage for your package is sufficient.

The instructions for submitting your fingerprints electronically that appear below will apply to you *only if you are having your fingerprints taken by one of the county sheriffs' offices in Florida that offer electronic fingerprinting service.* You should be aware that you have the option of submitting your application for a Florida concealed weapon license at one of the Division of Licensing's Regional Offices or at one of the authorized tax collector's offices located throughout the State of Florida. If you choose one of these options, staff will scan your fingerprints. Information regarding both services can be found on our website at <http://mylicensesite.com>.

ELECTRONIC FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The application package for the Florida Concealed Weapon or Firearm License includes a fingerprint card. However, you can have your fingerprints scanned electronically instead of submitting them on this traditional "hard card." An electronic fingerprint submission will reduce the time it takes for law enforcement authorities to complete the required criminal history background check and to return the results of that background check to us.

1. WHERE TO GO

Most of Florida's 67 county sheriffs provide electronic fingerprint scanning. We suggest that you call your sheriff ahead of time to confirm office hours and availability.

2. GETTING YOUR PRINTS TAKEN

It's really very simple. A fingerprint technician will create a digital image of your prints using a fingerprint-scanning device. After your fingerprints have been scanned, you will be given a receipt. Some offices will also give you a photocopy of the scan. **KEEP THESE DOCUMENTS; YOU WILL NEED THEM LATER.**

3. HOW MUCH IT COSTS AND HOW TO PAY

The cost of the fingerprint scanning service is approximately \$35; however, you should be aware that some sheriffs' offices might also charge a nominal service fee. There are two options for paying for the electronic scan:

- Some sheriffs' offices can accept payment by check, cash, credit card, or money order at the time you have your fingerprints scanned.
- If your sheriff's office cannot accept payment, you will need to submit payment using a secure Internet system called the Civil Workflow Control System (CWCS) developed by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). You can get to this site using this link: <https://caps.fdle.state.fl.us>. You will need your credit card and the receipt given to you by the fingerprint technician at the sheriff's office. This receipt will include a **Transaction Control Number** (a number that will begin with 70SX followed by 16 digits) and your name. Follow the instructions on the CWCS web site very carefully. **TYPE THE TRANSACTION CONTROL NUMBER AND YOUR NAME EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR ON THE RECEIPT.** At the conclusion of your online transaction, **print a copy of the CWCS receipt screen.**

NOTE: You must submit your payment via CWCS WITHIN 30 DAYS of having your fingerprints scanned or your electronic response will be deleted from the CWCS database. If you do not submit payment within 30 days, you will need to go back to the sheriff's office to have your prints scanned again. You will then have another 30 days in which to remit payment.

4. WHAT TO SUBMIT TO THE DIVISION OF LICENSING

After you have paid for your electronic fingerprint submission, you can submit your application to the Division of Licensing. Be sure to include the following items with your application: photocopies of your fingerprint scan and all receipts (including the CWCS receipt), a photograph, training documentation and a check or money order for the \$55 licensing fee. **IMPORTANT: PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THE DIVISION OF LICENSING WITHIN 90 DAYS OF YOUR FINGERPRINT SCAN TO AVOID INCONVENIENCE AND ADDITIONAL EXPENSE.**

5. FINGERPRINT REJECTIONS

Law enforcement authorities occasionally find that fingerprints are insufficiently legible to complete a background check. When this happens, the law requires us to ask the applicant to submit a second set of fingerprints. We will send you a letter informing you of the fingerprint rejection and provide you with instructions for having your fingerprints taken again.

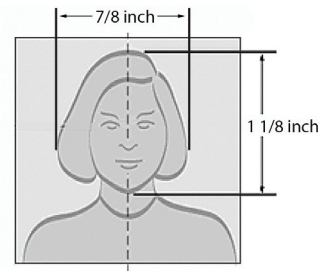
IT IS IMPORTANT that you submit your application and your fingerprint submissions to us in a timely manner in order to avoid additional inconvenience and expense. If we have to request a second fingerprint submission from you and we do not receive that second fingerprint submission within 180 days of your first submission, we will have no alternative but to require you to have your fingerprints scanned again AND to remit an additional fingerprint processing fee.

****REMINDER:** You can submit your application by mail or in person using the *Fast Track Process* at a *Division of Licensing Regional Office* or using the *CW Intake System* at an authorized tax collector office where staff will preview your application, scan your fingerprints, take your photograph and process your payment. For additional information, please go to our web page at www.myllicensesite.com.

PHOTOGRAPH SPECIFICATIONS

Your photograph must be:

- In color, non-retouched.
- Sized such that the head, including hair, measures 7/8 of an inch wide and 1 1/8 inches high.
- Taken within the last 30 days to reflect your current appearance.
- Taken in front of a plain white or off-white background.
- Taken in full-face view directly facing the camera.



FINGERPRINT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

You must submit a complete and legible set of fingerprints on the FINGERPRINT CARD enclosed or by ELECTRONIC SCAN (see next page for information). If you use the enclosed card, your fingerprints must be taken by a LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. Your local Florida county sheriff will provide fingerprinting service if requested and may charge a fee not to exceed \$5. There may also be a charge associated with the fingerprint service provided by another law enforcement agency. Your fingerprint card will not be processed if: (1) the required information is not contained within the designated blocks; (2) a highlighter is used; (3) the card has been folded, creased, or damaged.

Read and follow these instructions carefully:

- Fingers should be washed and dried thoroughly prior to prints being taken.
- Fingerprints must be rolled using black printer's ink.
- The information you provide on the card **MUST BE TYPED** or **PRINTED IN BLACK INK**. However, please note that some spaces at the top of the fingerprint card should be left blank.
- **DO NOT SIGN** the fingerprint card until you are in the presence of the person who will take your fingerprints. Your signature and the name on your application and fingerprint card should match.
 1. **NAM** – Full name in following order LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE. Initials are not acceptable. If you have no middle name, enter NMN for MIDDLE.
 2. **RESIDENCE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED** – Your RESIDENCE address.
 3. **EMPLOYER AND ADDRESS** – Leave this space blank, however, *the name of the law enforcement agency taking your prints MUST appear on the back of the card in the blank area in the upper right corner.*
 4. **ALIASES AKA** – If you are known, or have been known, by any other name (nickname, married name, maiden name, alias, fictitious name, etc.), list those name(s) here. Include with your application copies of any legal documents that reflect a change of name (marriage certificates, divorce decrees, court affidavits effecting a legal name change, etc.). NOTE: Failure to provide a list of your other names or to furnish documentation pertaining to a legal name change will result in delays in the processing of your application.
 5. **CITIZENSHIP CTZ** – Enter the country of which you are a citizen (U.S., Cuba, Canada, etc.)
 6. **ARMED FORCES NO. MNU** – Enter your military service number if you have one.
 7. **SOCIAL SECURITY NO. SOC** – Section 119.071(5)(a) 2, Florida Statutes, authorizes the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, to obtain social security numbers from applicants. Applicant social security numbers are maintained and used by the Division of Licensing for identification purposes, to prevent misidentification, and to facilitate the approval process by the Division.
 8. **HGT** (height) – Use feet and inches (example: for 5'11" enter 511)
 9. **DATE OF BIRTH DOB** (mmddyy); **PLACE OF BIRTH POB**, **WGT** (weight) – Enter required information.
 10. You are not required to complete **YOUR NO. OCA** or **FBI NO. FBI** or **MISCELLANEOUS NO. MNU**.
 11. **SEX, RACE, EYES, and HAIR** - FBI codes are shown below. Use appropriate code for each required area on the card.

SEX	RACE		EYE COLOR		HAIR COLOR	
M = Male F = Female	W = White B = Black I = American Indian or Alaskan Native	A = Asian or Oriental U = Other or Unknown	BLK = Black BLU = Blue BRO = Brown	GRY = Gray GRN = Green HAZ = Hazel	BLK = Black BRO = Brown GRY = Gray RED = Red	WHI = White BAL = Bald BLN = Blonde

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YOUR TRACKING NUMBER

You can use the tracking number that appears above to obtain information concerning the status of your application as it is being reviewed and evaluated by our Division personnel.

Simply call our office at (850) 245-5691 and follow the automated instructions or check online at www.mylicensesite.com.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

- ***Your tracking number is a UNIQUE ID NUMBER that is linked directly to the BARCODE that appears on the application on the next page. Therefore, we ask that you DO NOT MAKE COPIES OF THIS APPLICATION for use by others. Doing so will make it impossible for you to track the progress of your own application.***
- *You should allow 3-4 weeks from the time you mail your application before you call for a status update.*
- *Processing time will vary depending upon the division's workload. However, please be advised that if your application is INCOMPLETE or if we receive background check information from law enforcement authorities that requires additional review to confirm your eligibility for licensure, processing time may take up to 90 days.*
- *Please do not return this page with your application. Keep it in a secure place for future reference.*



WILTON SIMPSON
COMMISSIONER

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
Division of Licensing
APPLICATION FOR CONCEALED WEAPON OR FIREARM LICENSE

Chapter 790, Florida Statutes
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SECTION I APPLICANT INFORMATION Read application instructions before you begin. Place letter/number inside each box as shown above.

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER VOLUNTARY See APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS	ALIEN REGISTRATION NUMBER If you are an alien, provide your 8- or 9-digit Alien Registration Number.
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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MI
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RESIDENCE ADDRESS	PHONE NUMBER
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RESIDENCE ADDRESS CONTINUED (SUITE, BLDG., APT., ETC.)

CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
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MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE

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PLACE OF BIRTH - (INCLUDE STATE OR PROVINCE --- AND COUNTRY)

EMAIL ADDRESS

Are you an active-duty United States military servicemember, as defined in Section 250.01, Florida Statutes, or an honorably discharged United States veteran, as defined in Section 1.01, Florida Statutes, and are requesting expedited processing of your application? YES NO

SECTION II QUALIFYING DATA (SHADE IN THE APPROPRIATE CIRCLE)

1. Are you applying for this license as a consular security official of a foreign government which meets the standards defined in Section 790.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes? YES NO
2. Do you hold an active certification from the Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission as a law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer as defined in Section 943.10(1), (2), (3), (6), (7), (8) or (9), Florida Statutes? YES NO
3. Are you a retired Florida law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or correctional probation officer as defined in Section 943.10 (1), (2) or (3), Florida Statutes? YES NO
- 3a. If you answered YES to Question 3, have you been retired for one year or less? YES NO



4.	Do you qualify for exemption from the public records law as provided by Section 119.071, Florida Statutes?	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
4a.	If you answered YES to Question 4, do you wish to have the specified information kept confidential?	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
5.	Section 790.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires an applicant to be a resident of the United States. Are you currently residing in the United States? If YES, proceed to Question 6. If NO, proceed to Question 5a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
5a.	If you answered NO to Question 5, are you serving overseas in the United States Armed Forces? If YES, proceed to Question 6. If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
6.	Section 790.06(2)(a), Florida Statutes, requires an applicant to be a citizen of the United States or a permanent resident alien of the United States. Are you a United States citizen? If YES, proceed to Question 7. If NO, proceed to Question 6a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
6a.	If you answered NO to Question 6, are you deemed a lawful permanent resident alien by the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services? If you are neither a U.S. citizen nor a permanent resident alien, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
7.	18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(7), prohibits individuals who have renounced United States Citizenship from possessing or purchasing firearms. Have you ever renounced or formally given up United States citizenship? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
8.	Have you received training with a firearm as required by Section 790.06(2)(h), Florida Statutes, relating to competency with a firearm?	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
9.	Section 790.23, Florida Statutes, prohibits felons from possessing a firearm or carrying a concealed weapon. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? If NO, proceed to Question 10. If YES, proceed to Question 9a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
9a.	If you answered YES to Question 9, have your civil rights and firearm rights been restored or have you received a Presidential pardon or have you been granted relief from federal firearm disabilities through the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
10.	Section 790.06(2)(k), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has had adjudication of guilt withheld or imposition of sentence suspended on any felony unless 3 years have elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled, or expunction has occurred. Have you had adjudication of guilt withheld or imposition of sentence suspended on any felony charge? If NO, proceed to Question 11. If YES, proceed to Question 10a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
10a.	If you answered YES to Question 10, has a period of three years elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been expunged)? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
11.	Section 790.06(2)(l), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has had adjudication of guilt withheld or imposition of sentence suspended on any misdemeanor crime of domestic violence unless 3 years have elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled, or the record has been expunged. Have you had adjudication of guilt withheld or imposition of sentence suspended on a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence? If NO, proceed to question 12. If YES, proceed to question 11a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
11a.	If you answered YES to Question 11, has a period of three years elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been expunged)? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
12.	Section 790.06(3), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been found guilty of, had adjudication of guilt withheld for, or imposition of sentence suspended for one or more misdemeanor crimes of violence unless 3 years have elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled, or the record has been sealed or expunged. Have you been convicted, found guilty of, or had adjudication withheld on one or more misdemeanor crimes of violence? If NO, proceed to Question 13. If YES, proceed to Question 12a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
12a.	If you answered YES to Question 12, has a period of three years elapsed since probation or any other conditions set by the court have been fulfilled (or the record has been sealed or expunged)? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
13.	18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(9), prohibits individuals who have been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence from possessing or purchasing firearms. Have you been convicted or found guilty of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence? If NO, proceed to Question 14. If YES, proceed to Question 13a.	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

<p>13a. If you answered YES to Question 13, 18 U.S.C. § 921(a)(33)(C), contains a limited exception to the above prohibition if you have only had a single conviction of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence against an individual in a dating relationship and more than 5 years have elapsed from the later of the judgment of conviction or the completion of your custodial or supervisory sentence. Does this exception apply to you? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>14. Section 790.06(2)(i) and (j), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been adjudicated incapacitated, committed to a mental institution, or adjudicated mentally defective. Have you ever been adjudicated incapacitated, committed to a mental institution, or adjudicated mentally defective? If NO, proceed to Question 15. If YES, proceed to Question 14a.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>14a. If you answered YES to Question 14, have you been granted relief from firearms disabilities pursuant to Section 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the law of the state in which the commitment occurred? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>15. Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who chronically and habitually uses alcoholic beverages or other substances to the extent that your normal faculties are impaired. Do you chronically and habitually use alcoholic beverages or other substances to the extent that your normal faculties are impaired? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>16. Section 790.06(2)(e)1, Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been found guilty of a crime under provisions of Chapter 893 or similar laws of any other state relating to controlled substances within a 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted. During the three years preceding the date of this application, have you been found guilty or convicted of a crime under the provisions of Chapter 893, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>17. Section 790.06(2)(e)2, Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been committed for the abuse of a controlled substance under Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state. Have you been committed for controlled substance abuse under the provisions of Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state? If NO, proceed to Question 18. If YES, proceed to Question 17a.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>17a. If you answered YES to Question 17, have you been granted relief from firearms disabilities pursuant to s. 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes, or pursuant to the law of the state in which the commitment occurred? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>18. Section 790.065(2)(a)4.b.(I), Florida Statutes, prohibits the purchase of a firearm by an individual who has been committed for substance abuse under Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes. Have you been committed for substance abuse under Chapter 397, Florida Statutes, or under the provisions of former Chapter 396, Florida Statutes? If NO, proceed to Question 19. If YES, proceed to Question 18a.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>18a. If you answered YES to Question 18, have you been granted relief from firearms disabilities pursuant to s. 790.065(2)(a)4.d., Florida Statutes? If NO, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>19. Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been convicted for using a firearm while under the influence of alcoholic beverages, chemical substances, or controlled substances under Section 790.151, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted. During the three years preceding the date of this application, have you been convicted under Section 790.151, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>20. Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been deemed a habitual offender under the provisions of Section 856.011(3), Florida Statutes, (disorderly intoxication) or similar laws of any other state within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted. During the three years preceding the date of this application, have you been deemed a habitual offender under the provisions of Section 856.011(3), Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
<p>21. Section 790.06(2)(f), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has had two or more convictions under Section 316.193, Florida Statutes, (driving under the influence) or similar laws of any other state, within the 3-year period immediately preceding the date on which the application is submitted. During the three years preceding the date of this application, have you been convicted two or more times under Section 316.193, Florida Statutes, or similar laws of any other state for driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance? If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.</p>	<input type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO

22. 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(2), prohibits individuals who are fugitives from justice from possessing or purchasing firearms. A person is considered a fugitive if they have fled a state to avoid prosecution for a felony or misdemeanor, or to avoid giving testimony in a criminal proceeding. Are you a fugitive from justice? YES NO
If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.
23. 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(6), prohibits individuals who have been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions from possessing or purchasing firearms. Have you been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions? YES NO
If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.
24. Section 790.06(2)(n), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who is prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by any provision of Florida or federal law. Are you otherwise prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm by any provision of Florida or federal law? YES NO
If YES, you are not eligible for licensure.
25. Section 790.06(2)(m), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been issued an injunction that is currently in force and effect and that restrains the individual from committing acts of domestic violence or acts of repeat violence. Have you been issued an injunction that is currently in force and effect that restrains you from committing acts of domestic violence or acts of repeat violence? YES NO
If YES, the division will suspend the processing of your application until the division receives a court document indicating the injunction is no longer in effect.
26. Section 790.06(3), Florida Statutes, prohibits the licensure of an individual who has been arrested or formally charged with a crime that would disqualify such person from licensure under this section, until final disposition of the case. Are you under arrest or currently charged in any court with a felony, any crime punishable by imprisonment for more than one year, or any crime of violence, including crimes of domestic violence? YES NO
If YES, the division will suspend the processing of your application until the division receives a court document indicating the final disposition of your case.

SECTION III OATH OF APPLICANT

THIS APPLICATION IS EXECUTED UNDER OATH. FALSIFICATION OR MISREPRESENTATION OF ANY PART OR ANY DOCUMENT SUBJECTS THE APPLICANT TO CRIMINAL PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 837.06, FLORIDA STATUTES.

Under penalties of perjury, I DO SWEAR AND AFFIRM THAT:

- a) I have been provided a website link to Chapter 790, Florida Statutes, relating to weapons and firearms, and that I am knowledgeable of the provisions contained therein.
- b) I desire a legal means to carry a concealed weapon or firearm for lawful self-defense.
- c) I do not suffer from a physical infirmity that would prevent my safely handling a weapon or firearm.
- d) The information contained in this application and all attached documents is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- e) I have been provided copies of the Privacy Act Statement and Noncriminal Justice Applicant's Privacy Rights.

Signature of Applicant

Date Signed

Privacy Act Statement

This privacy act statement is located on the back of the [FD-258 fingerprint card](#).

Authority: The FBI's acquisition, preservation, and exchange of fingerprints and associated information is generally authorized under 28 U.S.C. 534. Depending on the nature of your application, supplemental authorities include Federal statutes, State statutes pursuant to Pub. L. 92-544, Presidential Executive Orders, and federal regulations. Providing your fingerprints and associated information is voluntary; however, failure to do so may affect completion or approval of your application.

Principal Purpose: Certain determinations, such as employment, licensing, and security clearances, may be predicated on fingerprint-based background checks. Your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics may be provided to the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency, and/or the FBI for the purpose of comparing your fingerprints to other fingerprints in the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system or its successor systems (including civil, criminal, and latent fingerprint repositories) or other available records of the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency. The FBI may retain your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics in NGI after the completion of this application and, while retained, your fingerprints may continue to be compared against other fingerprints submitted to or retained by NGI.

Routine Uses: During the processing of this application and for as long thereafter as your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics are retained in NGI, your information may be disclosed pursuant to your consent, and may be disclosed without your consent as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 and all applicable Routine Uses as may be published at any time in the Federal Register, including the Routine Uses for the NGI system and the FBI's Blanket Routine Uses. Routine uses include, but are not limited to, disclosures to: employing, governmental or authorized non-governmental agencies responsible for employment, contracting, licensing, security clearances, and other suitability determinations; local, state, tribal, or federal law enforcement agencies; criminal justice agencies; and agencies responsible for national security or public safety.

As of 03/30/2018

AGENCY PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS FOR NONCRIMINAL JUSTICE APPLICANTS

Authorized governmental and non-governmental agencies/officials that conduct a national fingerprint-based criminal history record check on an applicant for a noncriminal justice purpose (such as employment or a license, immigration or naturalization matter, security clearance, or adoption) are obligated to ensure the applicant is provided certain notices and that the results of the check are handled in a manner that protects the applicant's privacy. All notices must be provided in writing.¹ These obligations are pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974, Title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.), Section 552a, and Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 50.12, among other authorities.

- Officials must ensure that each applicant receives an adequate written FBI Privacy Act Statement (dated 2013 or later) when the applicant submits his/her fingerprints and associated personal information.²
- Officials must advise all applicants in writing that procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or update of an FBI criminal history record are set forth at 28 CFR 16.34. Information regarding this process may be found at <https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks> and <https://www.edo.cjis.gov>.
- Officials must provide the applicant the opportunity to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information in the FBI criminal history record.
- Officials should not deny the employment, license, or other benefit based on information in the FBI criminal history record until the applicant has been afforded a reasonable time to correct or complete the record or has declined to do so.
- Officials must use the FBI criminal history record for authorized purposes only and cannot retain or disseminate it in violation of federal statute, regulation or executive order, or rule, procedure or standard established by the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Council.³

The FBI has no objection to officials providing a copy of the applicant's FBI criminal history record to the applicant for review and possible challenge when the record was obtained based on positive fingerprint identification. If agency policy permits, this courtesy will save the applicant the time and additional FBI fee to obtain his/her record directly from the FBI by following the procedures found at 28 CFR 16.30 through 16.34. It will also allow the officials to make a more timely determination of the applicant's suitability.

Each agency should establish and document the process/procedures it utilizes for how/when it gives the applicant the FBI Privacy Act Statement, the 28 CFR 50.12 notice, and the opportunity to correct his/her record. Such documentation will assist State and/or FBI auditors during periodic compliance reviews on use of FBI criminal history records for noncriminal justice purposes.

¹ Written notification includes electronic notification, but excludes oral notification.

² See <https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/compact-council/privacy-act-statement>

³ See 5 U.S.C. 552a(b); 28 U.S.C. 534(b); 34 U.S.C. § 40316 (formerly cited as 42 U.S.C. § 14616), Article IV(c); 28 CFR 20.21(c), 20.33(d), 50.12(b) and 906.2(d).