



Instructions for Out-of-State Residents

These are general instructions that are likely to change in the future. These instructions are for out-of-state residents applying for or renewing a New Jersey Concealed Carry permit.

The Concealed Carry Permit website allows for online submission of both initial and renewal applications. If you have never applied for a Concealed Carry Permit online, then you will apply as an initial applicant. Approved applications are due for renewal every two (2) years. Renewal applications can be submitted up to four (4) months before the expiration date.

Training Requirements:

- You need to successfully qualify on a course of fire for the [Civilian Carry Assessment and Range Evaluation](#) (CCARE) protocol issued on September 15, 2023.
- When you complete the CCARE protocol training, your instructor must give you:
 - 1) A completed [PTC Safe Handling and Proficiency Certification](#) (SP 182, Rev. 9/23).
 - 2) A copy of their instructor's certification that shows they are a certified instructor. You are required to upload these documents when applying online. Not submitting these documents will delay or cancel your application without a refund.
- During the classroom instruction at the range your instructor will review the [Use of Force Training](#).
- While applying online, you will be responsible for reviewing the [Firearms Safety & Awareness](#) power point that is integrated into the website application. It is suggested you review this before applying online due to the volume of information.

These requirements are unique to New Jersey. If you hold a concealed carry permit in another state or have received training to meet other state standards, **you will still need to meet the specific requirements listed above. You do not need to apply for a firearms purchaser identification card, or any other permit, to obtain a concealed carry permit.**

You can also find the above listed training docs by using the below website link:

https://www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/Permit_to_carry_forms.shtml

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This gray box of important information is for RENEWAL APPLICANTS ONLY.

The fees and the background investigation process are the same for initial and renewal Concealed Carry Permit applications, except for fingerprinting which is **not** required for renewals.

Renewal applications require the same information as initial applications (four references, ALL handguns you intend to carry, photo, training certifications, and mental health release forms). You will need to enter the information for all the handguns you intend to carry each time you renew your Concealed Carry Permit.

Classroom instruction and target training are not required for renewal applicants who completed training within the last two years if you submit your renewal application before your current Concealed Carry Permit expires and you meet the standards noted in the CCARE protocol. You still need to upload your training certificates when you apply.

If you currently have a Concealed Carry Permit that was processed using a paper application and you have never used the Concealed Carry Permits website, there won't be any renewal information in the database for you, **so you must renew as an initial applicant using the green "Start Initial Application" button**. Since these applicants will be using the website for the first time, your current expiration date is not in the Concealed Carry Permits system; therefore, your new two-year period will start the day your new application is approved. This may result in a loss of time from your current Concealed Carry Permit. This depends on when you submit your application and how quickly it is processed.

Applicants who previously obtained their Concealed Carry Permits through the Concealed Carry Permits system and are now renewing their permits through the website will not lose any time off their current permit if the new permit is approved prior to the expiration date.

Applicants renewing their Concealed Carry Permits do **NOT** need to be fingerprinted again. Once you have been fingerprinted for a New Jersey firearm application you are assigned an SBI number. After that, you do not need to be fingerprinted again unless there is an unresolved issue with your fingerprints from a past application. You will use your SBI number when you apply.

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Name Change Information: Applicants must first update their state identification or driver's license to their new legal name. Out-of-State residents that legally changed their name from their previous name listed on their Concealed Carry Permit must be fingerprinted again to have their name updated. If you are due for renewal of your Concealed Carry Permit, you must first get fingerprinted for the purpose of changing your name and then wait five (5) days for your record to update your name before you apply for your renewal of your Concealed Carry Permit.

You will need the following items to apply online

- Upload of a recent photograph (on a light background only including head and shoulders).
- One (1) training record qualification completed on the [PTC Safe Handling and Proficiency Certification](#) (SP 182 Form, Rev. 9/23).
- A copy of your instructor's certification that shows they are a certified instructor.
- Personal information: Including social security number, driver's license number or state identification number, employment information, and the last ten years of addresses you have resided (Month/Year & City/State).
- References: Contact information for four (4) non-family related references. **The references cannot be related by blood or by law and you must have known them for at least three years.** You will need their first name, last name, address, phone number, and email address. **Incorrect email addresses will delay your application.**
- Citizenship documentation (Alien Registration Number) if applicable.
- Information on ALL handguns to be carried (make, model, caliber, serial number). **If you do not own a handgun yet, do not apply.**
- Total application fee for applicants that have been fingerprinted is \$226, credit card or debit card. The fee consists of a \$200 statutory fee, \$18 "212A" background fee, \$8 service fee.
- Total application fee for applicants that must be fingerprinted is \$205, credit card or debit card. The fee consists of a \$200 statutory fee, and a \$5 service fee. The fingerprint cost is **not** included in your background fee. Fingerprints are processed by an outside vendor.
- Consent for mental health form.
- **Armored car applicants:** Select "Yes" to the employment question on the first page (ORI number section), and your application will be assigned to a New Jersey State Police Station. The assigned NJSP Station will be listed on your confirmation page after your payment information has been submitted, and you will receive an email notifying you of which New Jersey State Police Station has been assigned your application as well. Armored car applicants must upload their employment letter.

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- **Mayors or elected members of the municipal governing body**: This question does not apply to Out-of-State residents. Select "No".
- **Office of the Attorney General (DAG, AAG), Prosecutors, and Judges**: On the first page of the application ("ORI Number" section) it asks if you are an employee of the Office of the Attorney General (DAG, AAG), a Prosecutor or a Judge. These instructions, for out of state residents only, are clarifying that this question is relating to the following training: "If you have received the [New Jersey] Police Training Commission certification pursuant to P.L.1961,c.56 (C.52:17B-66 et seq.)".

If you received this certification, select "Yes" to the question ***"Are you applying as a Prosecutor, Judge, or member of the Office of the Attorney General"*** on the first page of the application. You are required to upload your certification showing successful completion of the Police Training Commission certification. This training should not be confused with the CCARE (SP 182 Form) qualification and is specific to 2C:39-6A(12) that shows you have additional training to carry a handgun in sensitive places. Your application will then be assigned to a New Jersey State Police Station to certify your training. The assigned NJSP Station will be listed on your confirmation page after your payment information has been submitted, and you will receive an email notifying you of which New Jersey State Police Station has been assigned your application.

If you have NOT completed the New Jersey Police Training Commission course, then you are not eligible for the Government Permit to Carry and you must apply for a civilian permit to carry. Select "No" to the question ***"Are you applying as a Prosecutor, Judge, or member of the Office of the Attorney General"***.



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Sensitive Places: New Jersey has “Sensitive Places”, also known as prohibited areas, that you currently cannot carry a firearm. As of 03/30/2025, the statute of prohibited areas that you cannot carry a firearm has not been updated because the court appeals process has not been finalized. Therefore, the link that follows this paragraph has a pdf document with the whole statute that involves prohibited areas (2C:58-4.6). There are notes next to the three parts of 2C:58-4.6 that were ordered by Judge Renee Marie Bumb to be allowed to carry a firearm. The notes pertaining to this statute are listed next to 2C:58-4.6(a)(23), 2C:58-4.6(a)(24) (only as to private property that **is** held open to the public), and 2C:58-4.6(b)(1) (prohibition on functional firearms in vehicles). The link is readable here:

https://www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/pdf/Places_where_the_carrying_of_a_firearm_or_destructive_device_is_prohibited.pdf

N.J.S.A. 2C:58-4.6 became effective on 12/22/2022. There have been several ongoing court cases involving this statute.

On 05/16/2023, U.S. District Judge Renee Marie Bumb preliminary **enjoined**, or prohibited, the enforcement of parts of 2C:58-4.6 (Places where the carrying of a firearm or destructive device is prohibited). This four page court order is readable here: politico.com/f/?id=00000188-2638-d807-a1c9-ee3b37700000

On 06/20/2023, an emergency motion for stay pending appeal was filed in the United States Court of Appeals Third Circuit. As a result of this motion, some of the subsections of 2C:58-4.6 that were preliminary enjoined, or prohibited, in the above court order from 05/16/2023 are now enforceable by law enforcement. The two-page court order is readable here: [2023-0620_Dkt29-SPA-ORDER.pdf](#)

On 10/25/2023, an appeal was filed to address the places you can carry a firearm and cannot carry a firearm as discussed in the following article:

[Fight over N.J. concealed carry, gun-free zones gets its day in court - nj.com.](#)

As of 03/30/2025 this appeal is still pending from 10/25/2023. Until that appeal and court procedures are finalized, the “sensitive places” statute (2C:58-4.6 Prohibited areas, carrying, firearms, destructive device) will not accurately reflect the court orders listed above because they are not final. There are parts of the statute that are enforceable and are not enforceable currently. We will clarify further in the below paragraphs. When the court procedures are final, the statute will be updated, and we will update these directions pertaining to “sensitive places” also known as prohibited areas; **however, it is your responsibility to understand the current list of sensitive places in effect at the time you apply.**

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Additionally, once you have a New Jersey concealed carry permit it is your responsibility to stay updated as to the status of the court's decision on the pending appeal and any subsequent changes to the law. The New Jersey State Police is not obligated to notify you of any changes to the law.

In summary, as of **03/30/2025**, the following subsections of N.J.S.A. 2C:58-4.6 "Prohibited Places" are currently **enforceable** which means they are still considered Sensitive Places where carrying concealed is **prohibited**:

"Sensitive Places" – Prohibited Places

2C:58-4.6(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), (a)(5), (a)(6), (a)(7), (a)(8), (a)(9), (a)(10), (a)(11), (a)(12), (a)(13), (a)(14), (a)(15), (a)(16), (a)(17), (a)(18), (a)(19), (a)(20), (a)(21), (a)(22), and (a)(24)(only as to private property that is **not** held open to the public).

The following is a quote from Judge Renee Marie Bumb's order that was granted on 05/16/2023 that lists statutes which are still prohibited from being enforced by "officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys (and any other persons in active concert or participation with them)". This means the following subsections of the statute are not applicable to you in terms of being able to carry in the locations listed. There is also other information listed below that is still in effect from Judge Renee Marie Bumb's order that does not involve sensitive places. The following is **currently** (as of 03/30/2025) not enforceable by law enforcement as per Judge Bumb's 05/16/2023 decision:

Not active or prohibited at this time

"2C:58-4.6(a)(23), (a)(24) (only as to private property that **is** held open to the public), *id.* § 2C:58-4.6(b)(1) (prohibition on functional firearms in vehicles), *id.* § 2C:58-4(c) (in-person interview requirement of carry permit applicant's character endorsers); *id.* §§ 2C:58-4(d)(4), 2C:58-4.3 (Insurance Mandate), and N.J. Admin. Code § 7:25-5.23(f)(5) (prohibition on functional firearms in vehicles);"

Before applying, you should be aware of all the restrictions in statute 2C:58-4.6 and you should fully understand the information listed above.



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Proof of ownership of the firearm intended to carry: You should not carry a gun that you cannot easily and definitively prove, in a court of law, that you own with official documentation and/or a receipt.

As per statute, information on ALL handguns to be carried (make, model, caliber, serial number) must be listed on your online application. **If you do not own a handgun yet, do not apply.** If you enter gun information that you do not own to purposely bypass the online application section, you have falsified your application. The falsification of information on any part of the application is a violation of N.J.S. 2C:39-10c and is a crime of the 3rd Degree. Any Falsification may result in criminal charges.

If you are planning on carrying a firearm that was not entered on your Concealed Carry Permit online application because you obtained the handgun after you submitted your application, you must complete a S.P. 182a (PTC Additional Handguns Intended to be Carried). The completed form must be submitted to the New Jersey State Police Station that processed your online application. Follow the link to obtain this form.

https://www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/pdf/sp-182a_PTC_Additional_Handguns_Intended_to_be_Carried.pdf

ORI Number: An ORI (Originating Agency Identifier) number is a unique number assigned to each police department and State Agency in New Jersey. It is used for online applications for various types of licensing, such as firearms or security guards. Out of State residents who are NOT dual residents must select "No" to the question "**Are you a New Jersey resident or a dual resident**". You will not be able to enter an ORI number because you are not a NJ resident or dual resident of the State of New Jersey. As a result, your application will be assigned to a New Jersey State Police ORI automatically. Your confirmation page will list the NJSP station your application has been assigned to once you pay the fees and submit your application. You will also receive an email notifying you of the same information listed on the confirmation page which includes the fees paid, confirmation number, and NJSP ORI your application has been assigned to after you submit your application.

Photograph: Upload a recent, clear color image of your face taken within the last six (6) months. The photograph should resemble the one displayed on your driver's license or passport. However, **DO NOT** use the photographs from those identifications as your image. The uploaded photograph **MUST** be taken in civilian attire against a light background, without wearing a hat or glasses.

You may upload a recent clear selfie or headshot with no one else in the photo, provided that the image



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adheres to the above-listed requirements. Applications submitted with a photograph that does not meet the requirements may be cancelled. Please note that there are no refunds for cancelled applications.

Mental Health Consent Form: If you have lived outside of the state of New Jersey in the last ten (10) years, please fill out [form SP-066](#) (Consent for Mental Health Records) and upload it to your application. You are only filling out **part one** of this form. The investigating police department is “New Jersey State Police”. The “witness” part on this form can be printed and signed by anyone. It does not have to be witnessed by a Trooper. It does not need to be notarized. For additional addresses, list them on page 2. Follow the link to obtain this form.

<https://www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/pdf/sp-066.pdf>

It is important to note that some cities such as Philadelphia, PA and states such as New York State require their own mental health consent form to be filled out to complete their background check. If you currently reside or lived in the city of Philadelphia or the State of New York in the last ten years, please fill out their mental health form(s) and upload the form(s) to your application. Those forms are located on our NJSP website when you click the following link. Follow the link to obtain this form.

https://www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/Permit_to_carry_forms.shtml

Fingerprinting: On the Concealed Carry Permit Website, you will be able to apply as an Out-of-State resident. To apply as an Out-of-State resident, answer the first question appropriately. The first question is “**Are you a New Jersey resident or dual resident**”. If you don’t have a residence in New Jersey as either, click “no” to the question. The next question will ask “**Have you ever been fingerprinted for a New Jersey firearms application?**”.

If you are an Out-of-State resident that has never been fingerprinted for any New Jersey firearms application, you will answer “no” to “Have you ever been fingerprinted for a New Jersey firearms application?”. You will not be prompted to enter an SBI number. After you submit your application, you will receive details of how to be fingerprinted on your confirmation page. The confirmation page information will also be emailed to you. The confirmation page has a confirmation number, ORI, and instructions on how to get fingerprinted. It is important to note you have ninety days to be fingerprinted by IdentoGO or your application will be cancelled without a refund. **The background investigation on your application does not start until you advise the NJSP Station handling your application that you have been fingerprinted.** The longer you wait to be fingerprinted, the more applications will be in front of your application regardless of the date you submitted your application. You do not need to contact us for your SBI number. After you notify the NJSP Station



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processing your application that you were fingerprinted, they will enter your SBI number into your application. The NJSP Station email addresses are listed on page 10 and page 11 of this document.

If you are an Out-of-State resident that has been fingerprinted in the past for a New Jersey firearms application, click “yes” to “Have you ever been fingerprinted for a New Jersey firearms application?” You will be required to enter your SBI number that was generated a few days after you were fingerprinted. You do not need to be fingerprinted again unless you are advised of an issue with your past fingerprints. Your SBI number is listed on any past Firearms Purchaser Identification Card or other firearm document you received after applying. If you cannot locate your SBI number, email us at FirearmsInvestUnit@njsp.gov to obtain your SBI number. Please provide your driver’s license number or state identification number including the state listed on your identification, name as it appears on your identification, and cell phone number. Enter the following into the subject line of your email: "SBI number request, out of state PTC".

How to submit your application: Once you are ready to apply you can go to [Concealed Carry Permits \(njportal.com\)](https://www.njportal.com/NJSP/ConcealedCarry/) or copy and paste the following link into your browser.
<https://www.njportal.com/NJSP/ConcealedCarry/>

Contact information: For questions or issues after you have submitted your application, contact the NJSP Station your application has been assigned to. After submitting your application online, you will be required to enter payment information. After the payment information is entered, the final page is the confirmation page. The confirmation page, and automatic email from the website after submitting the application, display the NJSP Station that will be processing your application, as well as confirmation your application has been submitted. Contact the NJSP Station that is handling your application for any updates or issues with your application.

Background Check: All concealed carry applications are subject to background checks to ensure that the applicant is not subject to any of the disabilities set forth in statute 2C:58-3(c)(1-15). Every application is subject to an extensive background check. Initial applications and renewal applications both require the same extensive background check.

New Jersey State Police Stations have different responsibilities, and a different number of applications assigned to them depending on the area that they serve as the only Police Department. NJSP Stations cover multiple towns that do not have their own police departments. Firearm applications are one of the many responsibilities assigned to NJSP Stations. Therefore, the backlog varies depending on the



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emergency services each station is handling as well as the following factors:

- The number of applications prior to your application.
- Response time from different agencies that are required to be contacted.
- Criminal, civil, and mental health issues that need to be properly documented.
- Response time from you, or your references, if there is an issue.

The falsification of information on any part of the application is a violation of N.J.S. 2C:39-10c and is a crime of the 3rd Degree. Any Falsification may result in criminal charges.

Helpful Tips/Information:

Please make sure to have all relevant documentation, files, and credit card information before you start your application. Your session will time out after 15 minutes of inactivity in any of the individual tabs or sections.

Contact Information for New Jersey State Police Stations: Applications are no longer handled by personnel at the below NJSP Stations. Please email and do not call NJSP Stations because they will not be able to assist you.

Troop A – NJSP South Firearm Email Contacts

NJSPBellmawrFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPBuenaFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPWoodbineFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPBridgetonFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPPortNorrisFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPWoodstownFirearms@njsp.gov

Troop B – North Firearm Email Contacts

NJSPHopeFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPPerryvilleFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPSussexFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPWashingtonFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPNetcongFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPSomervilleFirearms@njsp.gov
NJSPTotowaFirearms@njsp.gov

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Troop C – Central Firearm Email Contacts

NJSPBordentownFirearms@njsp.gov

NJSPKingwoodFirearms@njsp.gov

NJSPTuckertonFirearms@njsp.gov

NJSPHamiltonFirearms@njsp.gov

NJSPPRedLionFirearms@njsp.gov

If you have further questions after reading these directions, email FirearmsInvestUnit@njsp.gov