

Applying for a permit to Carry a Handgun

A New Jersey Permit to Carry is valid for two years from the time of approval. The following instructions are the same for the initial and renewal application.



1. Visit njportal.com/NJSP/ConcealedCarry/ and complete all the tabs.
2. Once you have completed step 1, you must make an appointment with the PPD Detective Bureau at 609-921-2100, ext. 2121. (At this appointment you MUST bring the following)
 - Driver's License and Birth Certificate OR Driver's License and Passport OR Driver's License and Naturalization Paperwork/Green Card.
 - One State of New Jersey Application for Permit to Carry A Handgun (form SP642) (Must be double sided and notarized)
 - Two Color passport size photographs
 - Consent for Mental Health Search (form SP066)
 - Written proof of ownership and qualification with a certified firearms instructor along with firearms instructor proof of certification
 - Proof of ownership can be a purchase permit or a notarized letter of ownership listing make, model, and serial number of the handgun(s)
 - Written qualification must be within six months of application and must include instructor's name and certification number, as well as the make, model, caliber, and serial number of the handgun(s) you intend to carry.
 - A money order in the amount of \$50.00 payable to the "State of New Jersey-Treasurer" and a personal check or cash in the amount of 150.00 payable to "Princeton Police Department."

All applicants (initial and renewal) for Permit to Carry a Handgun must be fingerprinted. Fingerprint appointments are made at IdentoGO.com. When scheduling, use ORI # NJ0111000 for Princeton, a fingerprint service code (2F164B), and contributor's case number. Fingerprints results MUST be received within 90 days of application.

*If any of the preceding is not complete or incorrect, the application will be returned and you will have to reapply.