

Helpful Information About The Firearms Application Process

- New Jersey residents must obtain all firearms credentials from the police department in the municipality in which they reside.
 - ✓ **Long Guns** (rifles, shotgun, etc) – The applicant must be 18 years of age or older and must obtain a Firearms ID Card.
 - ✓ **Handguns** (pistols, revolvers, semi-automatic handgun) – The applicant must 21 years of age or older and must obtain a Permit to Purchase a Handgun.
 - ✓ **Ammunition** – To purchase handgun ammunition, one must obtain a Firearms ID Card.
- Applications will not be processed unless all fees are paid. This includes the permit fees that must be paid to the Willingboro Police Department. Failure to do so will delay the processing of your application.
- It is recommended that first time handgun purchasers obtain a Permit to Purchase a Handgun and a Firearms ID Card at the same time. The FARS system allows for both credentials to be obtained in this manner.
- For first time applicants, the FARS system will prompt you to print out the Identogo form which will have instructions on how to schedule your fingerprinting at a local Identogo site. This is not done at the police department. It is your responsibility as the applicant to schedule your own fingerprints in a timely manner. Failure to do so may result in your application being withdrawn and/or purged from the system.
- If you make a mistake on the spelling of your name or your date of birth, we can NOT correct those errors. Your application must be withdrawn and you must re-apply. The State will not refund any fees paid. Please contact the Police Department at (609) 877-2200 x1054 and advise us of the error so we can withdraw the incorrect application from the system.
- If you make a mistake elsewhere in the application, (i.e., incorrect reference email address, incorrect phone number, etc.), we can correct those errors. Please contact the Police Department at: (609) 877-2200 x1054 and we will correct your application electronically.
- A Permit to Carry a Firearm is NOT required to transport your firearm to and from gun ranges or designated hunting areas. Follow NJ statutes for the proper transportation of firearms.
- The Police Department cannot give recommendations on where to purchase a firearm, however, an internet search will provide you with the locations of many licensed firearms dealers in New Jersey.
- It is always recommended that anyone purchasing and/or handling firearms take a training class in the safe use and handling of firearms. Again, an internet search will provide you with many local training courses and locations.
- Familiarize yourself with the firearms laws of the State of New Jersey. Laws relating to firearms, permitting and their use can be found in Title 2C:39, Title 2C:3-4 through 6, and Title 2C:58. Please note this list is not all inclusive. An internet search will provide you with online versions of these laws and places where the text can be purchased.
- The Police Department does not give out legal advice. Please do not request legal interpretations of these or any other laws.