

Concealed Carry Permits

An eight-hour approved training class is required before any person can apply for a concealed carry permit in the State of Kansas. The office of the Attorney General has published a list of certified trainers on their website www.ksag.org along with the application that may be downloaded.

A Concealed Carry Application form can be picked up at the Barton County Sheriff's Office Records Division, 1416 Kansas Ave, Great Bend, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Once a Barton County resident has received the mandatory training, they can bring the completed application packet and fees to the Barton County Detention Facility, located at 1416 Kansas Ave., Great Bend, Kansas. There, the applicant will be fingerprinted and the Sheriff's Office will forward the paperwork to the Attorney General's Office for a criminal background check by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation. The Attorney General's Office will then determine if a permit will be granted.

The Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act (KSA 75-7c01 et.seq spells out the process in great detail. A summary of this bill can be read on the attorney general's website.

Fast Facts

Who can apply for a permit?

You must be a Citizen of the United States, a Barton County resident, and 21 years or more of age;

Cannot suffer from a physical infirmity which prevents the safe handling of a weapon;

Never been convicted or placed on diversion (even as a juvenile), in this or any other jurisdiction, for an act that constitutes a felony under the laws of this state;

You have not been, during the five years immediately preceding the date the application is submitted:

- a. a mentally ill person or involuntary patient;
- b. committed for the abuse of a controlled substance;
- c. convicted or placed on diversion for an act under the provisions of the uniform controlled substances act (even as a juvenile);
- d. committed for the abuse of alcohol;
- e. convicted or placed on diversion two or more times for an act that constitutes a violation of Driving Under the Influence;
- f. convicted or placed on diversion (even as a juvenile) for an act that constitutes a domestic violence misdemeanor;

- g. convicted or placed on diversion (even as a juvenile), in this or any other jurisdiction, for an act that constitutes a violation Criminal Use of Weapons;

You are not subject to a restraining order issued under the protection from abuse act, or under the protection from stalking act;

You are not in contempt of court in a child support proceeding;

You have not been dishonorably discharged from military service.

What paperwork do I need?

You must bring with you the following items:

A valid Kansas Driver's License or Non-Drivers Identification Card;

Passport-type photo (approximately 2 inches by 2 inches) of an unobstructed, full frontal view of your head and shoulders, taken within 30 days of application. Your photo will not be accepted if you are wearing anything other than transparent eyeglasses;

Certificate of Training in a form approved by the Attorney General or an affidavit from a certified instructor (a list of certified instructors is being compiled by the Attorney General's Office and is available on their website);

Cashier's Check or Money Order for \$40.00 payable to the Barton County Sheriff's Office;

A separate Cashier's Check or Money Order for \$110.00 payable to the Attorney General's Office;

Completed application form.

Where can I get an application?

Barton County Sheriff's Office Records Division – 1416 Kansas Ave, Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Visit the Attorney General Website www.ksag.org.

I have all of the paperwork. Now what?

Take **ALL** of the required paperwork to the Barton County Sheriff's Office Detention Facility, 1416 Kansas Ave. Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and you will be fingerprinted. Fingerprinting will be done when the Detention Staff is free and available.

The Sheriff's Office will accept your application and accompanying paperwork and forward it to the Attorney General's Office for consideration of a permit.

I am an out-of-state resident with a permit from that state. Can I apply for a permit in Kansas?

Only Barton County residents can apply for a permit here. If your state of residence has been granted reciprocity with Kansas law, you may be allowed to carry a concealed handgun in Kansas AFTER January 1, 2007. The Attorney General is compiling a list of those states and that list should be available soon. However, NO ONE will be allowed to carry a concealed handgun until January 1, 2007.

Will I get a card to carry with me?

The Attorney General's Office will NOT issue any permits until January 2007. At that time, you will be instructed by that office to go to a local Department of Motor Vehicle Station to get either a new driver's license or ID card with a Carry Concealed Handgun (CCH) endorsement, or a separate CCH card. You will be required to pay a fee for the card.

Will I be authorized to carry a concealed handgun into another state with my Kansas permit.

While other states have concealed carry laws, some may or may not recognize concealed carry permits issued by other states including Kansas. Kansas concealed carry licensees are cautioned to check with the licensing authority in each state before traveling.

Are out-of-state carry concealed licenses recognized by the state of Kansas?

A non-resident concealed carry licensee from a state recognized by the state of Kansas must: 1) be a resident of the state where the license was issued; 2) be able to show proof of licensure and residency from the state of issuance; and 3) abide by Kansas concealed carry laws while traveling, visiting or working in this state. Visit the Attorney General's website at www.ksag.org click on Concealed Carry Quick Links to obtain list of recognizing states.