

Office of the Attorney General
State of Mississippi
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Re: Recognition of Concealed Weapon Carry Weapons Licenses Issued by Other States

Question: Please render an opinion stating whether Mississippi's recognition of out- of-state concealed weapons licenses is limited to regular licenses or if it applies to enhanced licenses as well. Also, please render an opinion whether Mississippi may recognize an Idaho concealed carry license issued to a person who is under 21 years of age.

Short Answer: With regard to your second request concerning whether Mississippi would recognize a sister state's concealed carry license issued to a person over 18² but younger than 21, it is the opinion of this office that the answer is yes. Section 45-9-101 (18) specifically states that anyone holding a “valid unrevoked and unexpired license to carry stun guns, concealed pistols, or revolvers issued in another state shall have such license recognized by this state to carry stun guns, concealed pistols or revolvers ...” The statute does not authorize officials to go beyond the face of an out-of-state license to determine what requirements that other state may have placed on obtaining the concealed weapons license. If the license is valid, unrevoked and applies to the concealed carry of stun guns, pistols and revolvers, then the license ““shall be recognized” in this state. This would apply even if the holder were only 18 years of age.

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