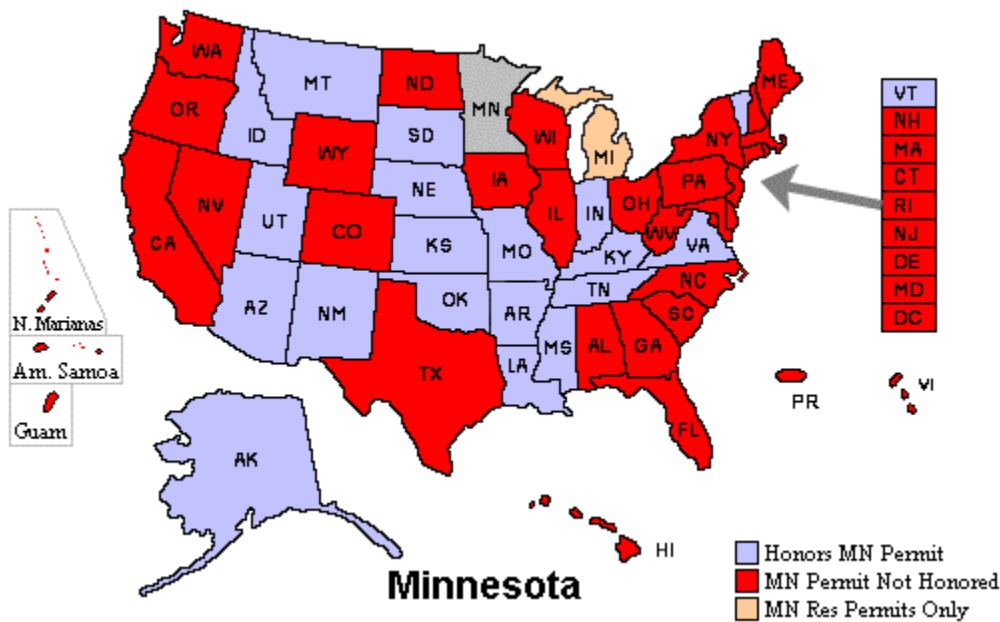


Minnesota

Shall Issue

Must Inform Officer: **NO**



Links

- [State CCW Site](#)
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Permits/Licenses This State Honors

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Minnesota Honors Non-Resident Permits/Licenses

How to Apply for A Permit

Residents can print off an application and then take it to the Sheriff of the county they reside in.

What are the requirements for getting a permit to carry?

- Must be at least 21 years of age
- Must complete an application form
- Must not be prohibited from possessing a firearm under Minnesota Statute 624.714
- Must not be listed in the criminal gang investigation system
- Must be a resident of the county from which you are requesting a permit, if you reside in Minnesota. Non-residents may apply to any Minnesota county sheriff.
- Must provide certificate of completed authorized firearms training. Training by a certified instructor and completed within one year of an original or renewal application. (624.714, Subd. 2a)

Permit is valid for a period of 5 years.
Additional training is required to renew.

Non-Resident Permits

624.714 Subd. 2. **Where application made; authority to issue permit; criteria; scope.** (a)

Applications by Minnesota residents for permits to carry shall be made to the county sheriff where the

applicant resides. Nonresidents, as defined in section [171.01, subdivision 42](#), may apply to any sheriff.

Sheriff will give you the application and info you need. Must be 21 Years of age.

Places Off-Limits Even With A Permit/License

- a public or private elementary, middle, or secondary school building and its improved grounds, whether leased or owned by the school;
- a child care center licensed under chapter 245A during the period children are present and participating in a child care program;
- the area within a school bus when that bus is being used by a school to transport one or more elementary, middle, or secondary school students to and from school-related activities, including curricular, co-curricular, non curricular, extracurricular, and supplementary activities; and
- that portion of a building or facility under the temporary, exclusive control of a public or private school, a school district, or an association of such entities where conspicuous signs are prominently posted at each entrance that give actual notice to persons of the school-related use.
- Private establishments - if posted or if personally requested to leave by the operator because that establishment bans guns on premises.
- Places of employment, public or private, if employer restricts the carry or possession of firearms by its employees.
- A public post secondary institution ... may establish policies that restrict the carry or possession of firearms by its students while on the institution's property. ... an employer or a post secondary institution may not prohibit the lawful carry or possession of firearms in a parking facility or parking area.

You can carry on school property under the following:

[609.66 Subdivision 1d](#)

- (1) licensed peace officers, military personnel, or 3 students participating in military training, who are on-duty, performing official duties;
- (2) persons who carry pistols according to the terms of a permit authorized to carry a pistol under section 624.714 while in a motor vehicle or outside of a motor vehicle to directly place a firearm in, or retrieve it from, the trunk or rear area of the vehicle;
- (3) persons who keep or store in a motor vehicle pistols in accordance with sections section 624.714 and or 624.715 or other firearms in accordance with section 97B.045;
- (4) firearm safety or marksmanship courses or activities conducted on school property;
- (5) possession of dangerous weapons, BB guns, or replica firearms by a ceremonial color guard;
- (6) a gun or knife show held on school property; or
- (7) possession of dangerous weapons, BB guns, or replica firearms with written permission of the principal or other person having general control and supervision of the school or the director of a child care center; or

(8) persons who are on unimproved property owned or leased by a child care center, school, or school district unless the person knows that a student is currently present on the land for a school-related activity.

Subd. 18. Employers; public colleges and universities.

(a) An employer, whether public or private, may establish policies that restrict the carry or possession of firearms by its employees while acting in the course and scope of employment. Employment related civil sanctions may be invoked for a violation.

(b) A public postsecondary institution regulated under chapter 136F or 137 may establish policies that restrict the carry or possession of firearms by its students while on the institution's property. Academic sanctions may be invoked for a violation.

(c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b), an employer or a postsecondary institution may not prohibit the lawful carry or possession of firearms in a parking facility or parking area.

Carry In State Parks/State & National Forests/WMA/Road Side Rest Areas

Carry Allowed in these Areas:

State Parks: YES DNR Legal Update 7/03

State/National Forests: YES DNR Legal Update 7/03

WMA's: YES DNR Legal Update 7/03

Road Side Rest Areas: YES per MSP

RV/Car Carry Without A Permit/License

You can not carry any loaded firearm in any vehicle without a Valid Permit/License.

State Preemption

471.633

The legislature preempts all authority of a home rule charter or statutory city including a city of the first class, county, town, municipal corporation, or other governmental subdivision, or any of their instrumentality's, to regulate firearms, ammunition, or their respective components to the complete exclusion of any order, ordinance or regulation by them except that:

(a) a governmental subdivision may regulate the discharge of firearms; and

(b) a governmental subdivision may adopt regulations identical to state law.

Local regulation inconsistent with this section is void.

History: 1985 c 144 s 1

624.717 Local regulation..
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Sections 624.711 to 624.716 shall be construed to supersede municipal or county regulation of the carrying or possessing of pistols and the regulation of Saturday Night Special Pistols.

History: 1975 c 378 s 7; 1985 c 144 s 3

Deadly Force Laws

Minnesota Statutes 2003 Chapter 609

609.06 Authorized use of force.

609.065 Justifiable taking of life.

609.066 Authorized use of deadly force by peace officers.

Knife Laws State/Cities

To access State/Local Knife Laws Click [“Here”](#)

Carry in Restaurants That Serve Alcohol

YES

Note: What is defined as carry in a restaurant that serves alcohol is a place like Friday’s or Red Lobster. This does not mean a bar or the bar area of a restaurant. Handgunlaw.us believes you should never consume alcohol when carrying your firearm. In some states it is illegal to take even one drink while carrying a firearm.

Chemical Sprays/Stun Gun/Higher Capacity Magazine Laws

Chemical Sprays:

624.731 in the exercise of reasonable force and defense of the person or the person’s property only if it propelled from an aerosol container, labeled with or accompanied by clearly written instructions as to its use, and dated to indicate its anticipated useful life. Possession including giving municipalities the power, if they so elect, to license the retail sellers of self-defense sprays.

LEOSA State Information

[Minnesota LEOSA Info 1](#)

[Minnesota LEOSA Info 2](#)

[Minnesota LEOSA Info 3](#)

Attorney General Opinions/Court Cases

- [Minnesota AG - Supreme Court on Self-Defense](#)

Airport Carry/Misc. Information

Airport Carry: No law found

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Training Valid for: No set time period to get initial. Within 1 year of Renewing.

Time Period to Establish Residency: Upon obtaining a Minnesota Drivers License/ID

Minimum Age for Permit/License: 21

Permit/License Info Public Information: NO

State Fire arm Laws: 624.71 thru 624.74 & 609.66

State Deadly Force Laws: 609.06 thru 609.066

State Knife Laws: 609.66

Chemical/Electric Weapons Laws: 624.731

Body Armor Laws: No law found

Does Your Permit Cover Other Weapons Besides Firearms? NO 624.714

Updates to this Page

2/21/09 – Wording error repaired under Permits this State Honors.

6/30/09 – Reciprocity Map updated with change in KS and Non Resident Permit/Licenses

8/21/09 – All links checked and repaired if needed.

8/31/09 – NE now honors a MN Permit.

9/23/09 - Link Updated. Storage in Parking Lots Law Added to “Places Off Limits.”