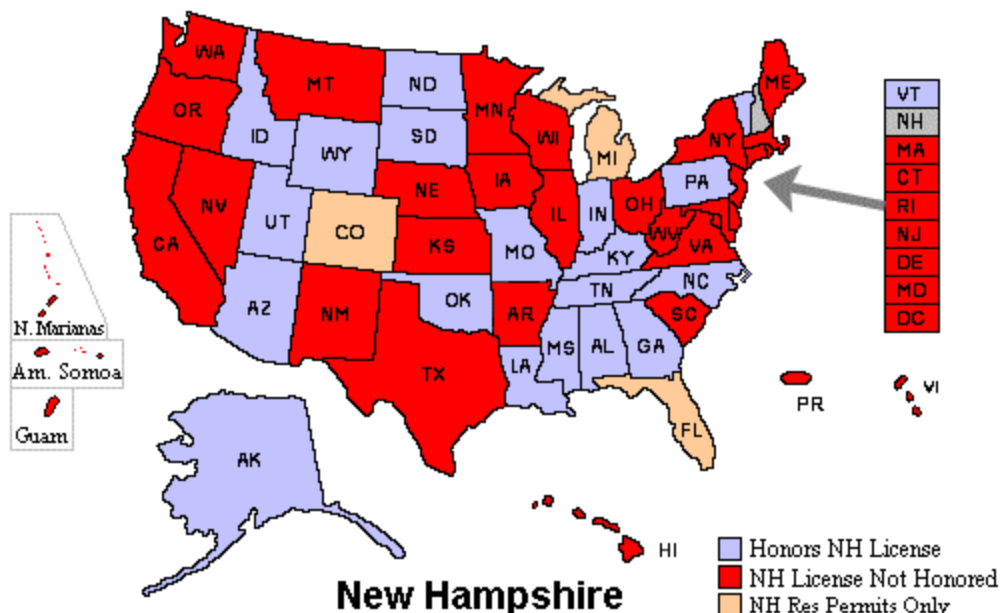


New Hampshire

Shall Issue Must Inform Officer: **NO**



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Permits/Licenses This State Honors

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| Alabama | Michigan | Alaska | Missouri | Arizona |
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New Hampshire only honors Resident Permit/Licenses of the states they honor. No Non-Resident Permits/Licenses are honored.

How to Apply for A Permit

Local Police/Sheriff issue resident permits. Contact them for forms or print one from online. Take it to your Police/Sheriff along with your State Photo Drivers License/ID. The process is simple and straight forward. Cost is \$10 and the License/Permit is valid for 4 years.

Non-Resident Permits

The New Hampshire State Police issue Non-Resident permits. Contact them at:

Department of Safety
Division of State Police
Permits and Licensing Unit
33 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03305

They will send you the proper paperwork or you can download and print off an application and fill it out and mail it in. Cost is \$100 and the Permit/License is valid for 4 years. You must have a non restricted permit from another state before New Hampshire will issue you a Non-Resident Permit/License. The process is simple and straight forward.

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Vermont Residents are the only people who can get a NH permit without another permit to carry from any state. They must supply a letter from their Local Sheriff or Police Dept stating they are of good character.

[Non-Resident Permit Application](#)

Places Off-Limits Even With A Permit/License

TITLE 12 § 159:19 Courtroom Security.

I. No person shall knowingly carry a loaded or unloaded pistol, revolver, or firearm or any other deadly weapon as defined in RSA 625:11, V, whether open or concealed or whether licensed or unlicensed, upon the person or within any of the person's possessions owned or within the person's control in a courtroom or area used by a court. Whoever violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be guilty of a class B felony.

II. Firearms may be secured at the entrance to a courthouse by courthouse security personnel.

III. For purposes of paragraph I, "area used by a court" means:

(a) In a building dedicated exclusively to court use, the entire building exclusive of the area between the entrance and the courthouse security.

(b) In any other building which includes a court facility, courtrooms, jury assembly rooms, deliberation rooms, conference and interview rooms, the judge's chambers, other court staff facilities, holding facilities, and corridors, stairways, waiting areas, and elevators directly connecting these rooms and facilities.

IV. The provisions of this section shall not apply to marshals, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, police or other duly appointed or elected law enforcement officers, bailiffs and court security officers, or persons with prior authorization of the court for the purpose of introducing weapons into evidence and as otherwise provided for in RSA 159:5.

V. It shall be an affirmative defense to any prosecution under paragraph I that there was no notice of the provisions of paragraph I posted in a conspicuous place at each public entrance to the court building.

Source. 1985, 258:2. 2000, 175:1, eff. Jan. 1, 2001.

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

Carry Allowed in these Areas:

State Parks: YES

State/National Forests: YES

WMA's: YES

Road Side Rest Areas: YES

RV/Car Carry Without A Permit/License

It is illegal to carry a loaded firearm in any vehicle in New Hampshire without a Valid Permit/License.

State Preemption

State Jurisdiction

159:26 Firearms and Ammunition; Authority of the State.

I. To the extent consistent with federal law, the state of New Hampshire shall have authority and jurisdiction over the sale, purchase, ownership, use, possession, transportation, licensing, permitting, taxation, or other matter pertaining to firearms, firearms components, ammunition, or firearms supplies in the state. Except as otherwise specifically provided by statute, no ordinance or regulation of a political subdivision may regulate the sale, purchase, ownership, use, possession, transportation, licensing, permitting, taxation, or other matter pertaining to firearms, firearms components, ammunition, or firearms supplies in the state. Nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting a political subdivision's right to adopt zoning ordinances for the purpose of regulating firearms businesses in the same manner as other businesses or to take any action allowed under RSA 207:59.

II. Upon the effective date of this section, all municipal ordinances and regulations not authorized under paragraph I relative to the sale, purchase, ownership, use, possession, transportation, licensing, permitting, taxation, or other matter pertaining to firearms, firearm components, ammunition, or firearms supplies shall be null and void.

283:3 Effective Date.

I. Section 1 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2004.

II. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

(Approved: July 18, 2003)

(Effective Date: I. Section 1 shall take effect January 1, 2004

II. Remainder shall take effect July 18, 2003)

Deadly Force Laws

Title LXII: Criminal Code

Chapter 627: Justification

§101. General rules for defenses and affirmative defenses; justification

§627:1 General Rule

§627:2 Public Duty

§627:3 Competing Harms

§627:4 Physical Force in Defense of a Person

§627:5 Physical Force in Law Enforcement

§627:6 Physical Force by Persons with Special Responsibilities

§627:7 Use of Force in Defense of Premises

§627:8 Use of Force in Property Offenses

§627:8-a Use of Force by Merchants

§627:8-b Detention Powers of County Fair Security Guards

§627:9 Definitions

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

Handgunlaw.us could find no restrictions in New Hampshire Law concerning Chemical Sprays, Stun Guns Or Higher Capacity Magazine Bans.

LEOSA State Information

No LEOSA Information Available

Attorney General Opinions/Court Cases

Handgunlaw.us can find no AG Opinions or Court Cases concerning the carrying of firearms. This does not mean there are no AG Opinions or Court Cases. We could just not find any.

Airport Carry/Misc. Information

Airport Carry: No laws found.

Training Valid for: No Set Time Period.

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

Minimum Age for Permit/License: No min age listed in Laws

Permit/License Info Public Information: NO

State Fire arm Laws: 12-159 thru 12-159-D

State Deadly Force Laws: 62-627.1 thru 62-627.9

State Knife Laws: 62-625.11 & 12-159:24

Chemical/Electric Weapons Laws: No laws found.

Body Armor Laws: 62-650-B1 & B2

Updates to this Page

12/19/09 – Age requirements updated.

6/30/09 - Cost of Non Resident permit info updated.

8/3/09 – Map changed to show that ND will not honor a Non Resident NH Permit.

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

8/31/09 - Map changed to show that ND will honor a NH Non Resident Permit.