



HOQUIAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

215 Tenth Street, Hoquiam Washington 98550

Jeff Myers, Chief of Police

Frequently asked questions: Concealed pistol license. RCW 9.41.050

When do I need a concealed pistol license?

By law, you must have a concealed pistol license when you are:

- Carrying a pistol concealed on your person.
- Carrying or placing a loaded pistol in a vehicle.
 - The pistol must be on your person.
 - When you are away from the vehicle the pistol must be locked within the vehicle and concealed from view from outside the vehicle.

Where do I apply for a concealed pistol license?

If you live in the unincorporated area of a county you must apply in person at your sheriff's office. If you live in an incorporated city within the county, you may apply in person at either the city police department or sheriff's office. Non-Washington residents may apply at any local law enforcement in the state.

How long does it take before I receive my license?

If you are applying for your first concealed pistol license, it may take up to 30 days to complete the background check before the license is issued. If you do not have a Washington driver license or identification card, it can take up to 60 days.

How long is my concealed pistol license valid?

Your concealed pistol license is valid for 5 years from the date your license is issued. You will not receive a renewal notice and it is your responsibility to ensure your license is not expired.

What if I lose my concealed pistol license?

If your license is lost, stolen or destroyed, you may obtain a replacement concealed pistol license from your local law enforcement agency. You will need to apply in person and the fee for a replacement is \$10.

Will my concealed pistol license be recognized in a state other than Washington State?

Washington concealed pistol licenses will be recognized in the following states, and concealed weapons licenses issued in the listed states will be recognized in Washington State, so long as the handgun is carried in accordance with Washington law. Handguns must be carried in accordance with the law of the state you are visiting. Be sure to check the laws of the other state before traveling there with your handgun. The State of Washington has reciprocity agreements with;

Arkansas	Louisiana	Michigan	Mississippi	Missouri
North Carolina	Ohio	Oklahoma	Utah	