



Office of Attorney General Kris W. Kobach

Kansas Application for Concealed Carry Handgun License and Qualifying Information (Updated 6-2023)



Instructions for Application

Please complete this concealed carry handgun license (CCHL) application in full by typing or printing (in blue or black ink) all requested information, and attaching items required by 1 through 5 below. Submit the completed application to the Sheriff's Office in your county of residence where your fingerprints will be taken and the application will be forwarded to the Attorney General (AG) within 7 days. By law, the AG is allowed 90 days to approve or deny a completed application. If approved, you will receive a notice of approval in the mail and be directed to a State driver's license station to obtain the CCHL. You must pay any additional fees the Department of Revenue requires in order to issue the CCHL card. ALL APPLICATION FEES ARE NONREFUNDABLE. Keep a copy of your completed application and attachments for your records. Once submitted, the AG will NOT return originals or provide copies to the applicant.

Check this box if this is a reapplication after a prior "permanent expiration." (See definition on pg. 4)

- 1. One money order, cashier's check or personal check: For new applications (or re-applications) received by the Sheriff on or after July 1, 2023, the check shall be in the amount of \$32.50 payable to "Sheriff of \_\_\_\_\_ County." The fee to the AG shall be \$0 if received by the Sheriff on or after July 1, 2023.
2. Unless submitting a reapplication, proof of sufficient handgun training from one of the following (see, K.S.A. 75-7c04):
- Completion of the Kansas CCHL training course (attach a photocopy of a certificate or affidavit signed by an AG-approved instructor showing the applicant's completion of the course);
- "retired law enforcement officer" letter; (see description on pg. 4);
- Kansas corrections or parole officer; or federal bureau of prisons corrections officer (attach proof of active employment with the agency and proof of handgun qualification with the agency in the 12 months immediately preceding application);
- other sufficient handgun training from another jurisdiction, e.g., a handgun course used to obtain a non-Kansas CCHL (see the "New Resident & Prior Handgun Training" information on pg. 4).
3. A clear 2" x 2" frontal view (head & shoulders, no sunglasses or hats), passport-or selfie-type color photograph of the applicant taken within the preceding 30 days. Attach your photo to pg. 2 of the application.
4. A clear photocopy of: (A) your Kansas driver's license or nondriver's identification card; as well as (B) any documentation necessary showing lawful presence in the United States if the applicant was born outside of the United States or one of its territories (U.S. citizen born abroad, certificate of naturalization, permanent resident alien card).
5. For an active duty military member (ADM) or a "dependent" of an ADM, see the "ADM considerations" on pg. 4. DO NOT attach a photocopy of a MILITARY ID or CAC card to this application.

Section I: Sworn Statement

WARNING: This application is executed under oath. A false statement or answer in sections I, II, or III of this application, or submission of a false document, may subject the applicant to prosecution for the crime of perjury, K.S.A. 21-5903, and amendments thereto, a severity level nine (9) non-person felony, or other applicable criminal charges.

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that all of the statements made in this application are true and correct and that:

- 1. I have received a copy of the Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act (KPFPA) and I am familiar with its provisions;
2. I have complied with the criteria in K.S.A. 75-7c04 (as listed in Section III of this application), including completion an approved training course or meeting an exception to the training requirement; and
3. I desire a Kansas CCHL as a means of self-defense.
4. I understand that a state and national criminal history records check will be conducted and may include access to expunged records, and that other investigations may be conducted to determine my eligibility for a Kansas CCHL.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sheriff's Verification**

Date Received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Fingerprints Transmitted Electronically to KBI: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

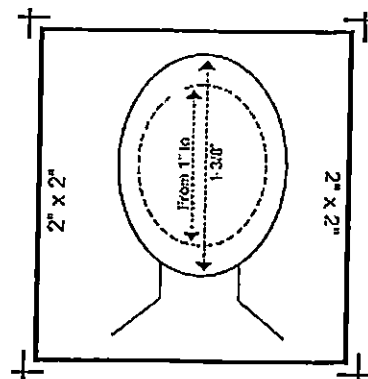
Waiver Form Completed: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Verify: (1) Applicant has a Kansas DL or ID \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Copy of DL or ID is attached)*

(2) Active Duty Military (verify military ID) \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Copy of state DL or ID is attached)*

(3) Signed Training Certificate Attached \_\_\_\_\_

Application Fee: \$32.50 to Sheriff, \$0 to AG \_\_\_\_\_



Attach Photo With Clear  
Tape Across The Top and Bottom

**Section II: Applicant Information** Date Stamp – Attorney General

Name: Last		First	Middle	Jr., Sr., etc.
Aliases/Maiden Name/Other Names Used:		Citizenship – Enter Name of Country: (if born outside of U.S., you must attach a copy of your foreign-born U.S. citizen birth certificate, U.S. passport or certificate of naturalization)		
Current Residence Address:	City:	State:	County:	Zip Code:
Mailing Address: (if different from residence)	City:	State:	County:	Zip Code:
Previous Addresses Within Last 5 Years: From: _____, 20__ to _____, 20__ (Add additional page if more than one address)	City:	State:	County:	Zip Code:
Date of Birth: (Month/Day/Year)	Provisional status: Check box if under age 21 <input type="checkbox"/>	Place of Birth: (City, State, Country)		Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female
KS Driver's License or Identification Card #:	Social Security Number:*			
Telephone:**	Email:*** (please check box below to consent to electronic communication, optional)			

**Non-Kansas CCHL Number & State of Issuance:** (Provide this information only if you were previously issued a CCHL from another state and would like to use handgun training there to bypass the Kansas CCHL training course. So long as your prior handgun training is equal to or greater than that required by Kansas law, then you will not need to complete the Kansas CCHL training course.) Per the "New Resident & Prior Handgun Training" description on pg. 4, attach to this application a copy of any non-Kansas CCHL and proof of training for that CCHL.

Non-Kansas CCHL Number: \_\_\_\_\_ State of Issuance: \_\_\_\_\_

**Alien Status:** (if you are a permanent resident alien or nonimmigrant alien you must provide your U.S.-issued alien registration number here and complete applicable questions 15 and 16)

Active Duty Military or Dependent: Non-Resident DL or ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ (Include State)

Active Duty Military or Dependent Identification # \_\_\_\_\_

\*SSN is used to verify your identity and confirm your eligibility for a CCHL (75-7c05). Providing your SSN is voluntary. However, failure to provide it may delay processing of your application. Pursuant to K.S.A. 39-758 and 74-139, and amendments thereto, your SSN may be disclosed to the Director of Taxation and/or the Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) for child support enforcement purposes.

\*\*Providing your telephone number is voluntary. This information is helpful when it is necessary to contact an applicant.

\*\*\* By checking this box, I hereby consent to receive electronic (email) communication regarding the status of my application and my CCHL. This includes, but is not limited to: missing information requests, required fees, or renewal reminders. I understand providing my email address may speed up processing of my application. If I change my email address, I will notify the Attorney General's Office promptly. The Attorney General's Office is not responsible for any information sent to incorrectly provided or outdated email contact information.

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section III: Qualifications (K.S.A. 75-7c04(a):** Place a check mark under the appropriate 'yes' or 'no' answer to the following questions. You must answer all questions numbered 1 through 16.

Yes

No

Answering 'no' to questions 1 through 4 could result in denial of your application.

1. Are you eighteen (18) years of age or older at the time of application?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Are you twenty-one (21) years of age or older at the time of application?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Are you a resident of Kansas? (Or residing in Kansas while serving on active duty in the military?)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Are you a resident of the county where you are applying?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Answering 'yes' to questions numbered 5 through 16 could result in denial of your application.

5. Have you fled from a jurisdiction to avoid prosecution for a crime or to avoid giving testimony?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Are you under charges, indictment or information (including a diversion agreement) in any court for a felony, misdemeanor, or any other crime?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Have you ever been convicted as an adult or adjudicated as a juvenile in any court of any felony crime. See pg. 4 for Information relating to felony disqualifiers.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Have you ever been convicted in any court of any misdemeanor crime involving domestic violence? This includes convictions for domestic battery, battery, disorderly conduct or others, even if expunged. See pg. 4 for definition of "misdemeanor crime involving domestic violence."	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Are you subject to a court ordered restraining order involving an "intimate partner" or child of such a partner? See pg. 4 for a definition of "restraining order."	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Are you an unlawful user of, or addicted to, marijuana or any depressant, stimulant, narcotic drug, or any other controlled substance? (Among other instances, this includes: being convicted in the last year or being currently under a diversion for a controlled substance offense; positive drug test in the last year; paraphernalia that tests positive for a controlled substance; admissions of controlled substance use within the past year.) See pg. 4 for the definition of "unlawful user or addicted."	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Have you ever been adjudicated mentally defective? See pg. 4 for definition of "mentally defective." If answer is "yes," attach a written explanation to this application.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Have you ever been involuntarily committed to a mental institution? If answer is "yes," attach a written explanation to this application.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Are you or have you ever been a "mentally ill person subject to involuntary commitment" or "person with an alcohol or substance abuse problem subject to involuntary commitment"?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Have you been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions? (This includes being dismissed by general court martial if served as Commissioned Officer).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Are you an alien illegally or unlawfully in the United States?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. Are you a permanent resident alien residing in Kansas? If so, attach a copy of your U.S.-issued permanent resident alien registration card. Permanent resident aliens with valid documentation are eligible to apply for a Kansas CCHL.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section IV: Definitions

**Felony disqualifications:** Any prior felony conviction as an adult, as well as any non-expunged felony juvenile adjudication, must be disclosed on the application. What constitutes a "felony" offense is judged in accordance with the law where the offense occurred. What constitutes a "conviction" for that felony will generally be judged by Kansas law. An active felony prohibition from another jurisdiction will likely preclude eligibility for a Kansas CCHL in accordance with Federal law.

**NOTE:** Any person with a prior felony history - whether an adult conviction or juvenile adjudication, no matter where it occurred and even if that history has been expunged or pardoned - should consult with private legal counsel to determine their CCHL eligibility. The AG cannot offer legal advice or interpretation to individual citizens about their CCHL eligibility or their ability to lawfully possess firearms in general. Any person subject to pending felony charges or still subject to the terms of a diversion agreement for a felony violation are likely prohibited from obtaining a CCHL.

**"Misdemeanor crime involving domestic violence" means:** (1) A misdemeanor under, Federal, State, Tribal, or local law; (2) that has as an element the use of force, attempted use of force or threatened use of a deadly weapon; (3) that was committed by: a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim; a person who shares a child with the victim; a person who is living with or has lived with the victim as a spouse, parent, or guardian; or a person who is similarly situated to a spouse, parent or guardian to the victim, or a person who has a current or recent former dating relationship with the victim.

**NOTE\*:** (1) The misdemeanor being violated DOES NOT have to have the term "domestic" in it at all (this means a simple assault, battery or disorderly conduct can be sufficient even if pled down from a "domestic" assault, battery, or disorderly conduct charge).

(2) Under Kansas law, an expungement does not completely remove the conviction from the person's record therefore an expungement or setting-aside of the conviction will not suffice to remove the federal prohibition under 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(9). In Kansas, a person never loses their civil rights for such a misdemeanor conviction, therefore they cannot have those rights "restored." Only a pardon may restore an individual's ability to possess firearms if they have a qualifying 18 U.S.C. 922(g)(9) conviction.

\*Please seek private legal counsel with any questions about a firearms prohibition due to domestic violence conviction. The AG cannot offer legal advice or interpretation to individual citizens about their CCHL eligibility or their ability to lawfully possess firearms in general.

**"Adjudicated as a mental defective" means:** a finding by a court, board, commission or other lawful authority that a person, as a result of marked subnormal intelligence, or mental illness, incompetency, condition or disease: (a) is a danger to themselves or to others; or (b) lacks the mental capacity to contract or manage their own affairs. The term shall include: a finding of insanity by a court in a criminal case; and those persons found incompetent to stand trial or found not guilty by reason of lack of mental responsibility pursuant to articles 50a and 72b of the Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. 850a, 872b.

**"Restraining order" means:** a court order that restrains the person from: (a) harassing, stalking or threatening (i) an intimate partner or (ii) child of the intimate partner or the restrained person; or (b) engaging in conduct that places the intimate partner or child in reasonable fear of bodily injury. The order must be one issued after the restrained person received notice and had an opportunity to be heard and must include a finding that the restrained person poses a credible threat to the physical safety of the intimate partner or child; or the order must include a specific prohibition on the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against the intimate partner or child.

**"Retired law enforcement officer" means:** a "law enforcement officer," as defined by K.S.A. 21-5111. A "retired law enforcement officer" must include a letter from the head, or designee, of the retiring agency attesting that the individual retired in good standing, retired for reasons other than mental instability, and that the individual has a non-forfeitable right to benefits under the retirement plan of the agency. This exemption only applies to retired law enforcement officers that were last certified by the Kansas Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (or similar body from another jurisdiction) less than 8 years prior to applying for the Kansas CCHL. Other training exemptions, however, may still apply.

**New Resident & Prior Handgun Training:** A new resident to Kansas may lawfully continue to carry concealed handguns with or without a valid CCHL so long as they are at least 21 years of age and otherwise lawful to possess firearms. Additionally, persons applying for a Kansas CCHL, whether previously licensed in another jurisdiction or not, may qualify for an exemption from the Kansas CCHL training course if they can provide documentation (i.e., training certificate with a course outline or syllabus) of prior handgun training from another jurisdiction which was "equal to or greater than" the Kansas CCHL training course. At a minimum, documentation must show that the prior, non-Kansas handgun training included (1) instruction on the laws of self-defense; and (2) training and proficiency in the safe handling, storage and actual firing of handguns. If prior training is deemed insufficient, applicants will receive a letter alerting them that they will be required to submit further information OR complete the Kansas CCHL training class.

**ADM considerations:** A "dependent" of an ADM is a resident of the household of an ADM who financially depends on the ADM in whole or substantial part. An ADM or dependent stationed in Kansas may still apply for a Kansas CCHL even if their permanent State of residence (PSR) is other than Kansas; they must simply submit a photocopy of their non-Kansas DL or ID card as well as the orders currently stationing them in Kansas. To aid law enforcement, such an ADM or dependent fitting this residency exception should carry their military ID, non-resident DL/ID and their Kansas CCHL. Effective July 1, 2016, an ADM who is a Kansas resident/PSR but stationed in a State other than Kansas may still apply for a Kansas CCHL. Kansas law requires such an ADM to have their fingerprints taken by the military police (MP) where they are stationed and then have the MP office forward the complete application to the Sheriff of the ADM's Kansas county of residence. See K.S.A. 75-7c05(i).

**"Unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance" means:** A person who uses a controlled substance and has lost the power of self-control with reference to the use of controlled substance; and any person who is a current user of a controlled substance in a manner other than as prescribed by a licensed physician. An application may be denied if, among other evidence of use or addiction, a person has in the past 12 months: been convicted for a controlled substance offense for use or possession, admitted to use of a controlled substance, tested positive for a controlled substance, been arrested for a use or possession offense where the person has multiple prior arrests in the past 5 years, etc. See 27 C.F.R. 478.11.

**Permanently Expired Licenses:** A Kansas CCHL is permanently expired if not renewed within six (6) months following the expiration date. A person with a permanently expired Kansas CCHL must submit a new application through the Sheriff in the county where they reside.