



INSTRUCTIONS TO HANDGUN LICENSE APPLICANTS
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**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF NEW YORK
HANDGUN LICENSE APPLICATION SECTION
LICENSE DIVISION
ROOM 110A**

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL HANDGUN LICENSE APPLICANTS

The attached application **MUST** be typewritten, signed, and notarized. Only the original application will be accepted. **DO NOT SUBMIT A PHOTOCOPY.** The application must be completely filled out and presented by you personally at the License Division.

At the time you submit your application, you must furnish the items listed below that are applicable to you. You must submit original copies of certificates, licenses, etc. In addition, a legible photocopy of each item submitted must accompany the original or certified copy. (A copy certified by the issuing agency as true and complete is also acceptable in lieu of the original.) Your application will not be accepted without producing the required documents.

1. **Fees.** Two (2) separate fees are required, only U.S. Postal Money Orders will be accepted. All fees are non-refundable.
 - \$340.00 - Made payable to New York City Police Department
 - \$ 94.25 - Made payable to New York City Police Department, or
 - \$105.25 - Made payable to New York City Police Department if manual prints are necessary.
2. **Photographs.** Two (2) recent color photographs of yourself. They should measure 1½ x 1½ inches and show you from the chest up. The wearing of any article of clothing or adornment that obscures identification is not permitted.
3. **Birth Certificate.** In lieu of your birth certificate, some other proof of your birth date, e.g., a military record, U.S. passport or baptismal certificate, must be submitted.
4. **Proof of Citizenship/Alien Registration.** If you were born outside the United States, you must submit your naturalization papers or evidence of citizenship if derived from your parents. All other applicants born outside the United States must submit their Alien Registration Card. If you have lived in this country less than 7 years you must submit a good conduct certificate from your country of origin.
5. **Military Discharge.** If you served in the armed forces of the United States, you must submit your separation papers (DD 214) and your discharge.
6. **Proof of Residence.** You must submit proof of your present address. Proof may consist of, but is not limited to, a real estate tax bill, ownership shares in a cooperative or condominium, or a lease. You may also be requested to supply further documentation, i.e., a **New York State** Driver's License, a **New York State** Income Tax Return, a Utility Bill, etc.
7. A.) **Arrest Information:** If you were ever arrested, indicted or summonsed (other than parking violations) for any reason you must answer Yes to question-23 and submit a certificate of disposition showing the offense and the disposition. Also, you must submit a detailed, notarized statement describing the circumstances surrounding each arrest. **YOU MUST DO THIS EVEN IF:** the case was dismissed, the record sealed or the case nullified by operation of law. The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services will report to us every instance involving the arrest of an applicant. **DO NOT** rely on anyone's representation that you need not list a previous arrest. If you were ever convicted or pleaded guilty to a felony or a serious offense, as defined in Penal Law Section 265.00(17), an original Certificate of Relief from Disabilities, with box "a" or box "b" checked, and signed by a judge, must be submitted.
B.) **Summons Information:** If you have received a summons for other than a parking violation you must answer Yes to question-23. You must list the violation and disposition for each summons received.
C.) **Order of Protection:** If you have ever had an Order of Protection or Restraining Order issued against you, or issued on your behalf against anyone, you must list the following information: Court of Issuance; Complainant's or Respondent/Defendant's name, including address and phone number; Complainant's or Respondent/Defendant's relationship to you; Reason for issuance of Order of Protection or Restraining Order.
8. **Proof of Business Ownership.** If you are making application for a License in connection with a business, you must submit proof of ownership for that business. Such proof must clearly state the names of the owner(s), or, if a corporation, the names of the corporate officers. A corporation must submit its corporate book to include filing receipt, certificate of incorporation and minutes of the corporate meeting reflecting current corporate officers; others must provide their business certificate or partnership agreement, whichever is applicable. If the business requires a license or permit from any government agency, e.g. alcohol or firearms sales, gunsmith, private investigation and guard agencies, you must submit the license or permit or a certified copy thereof. You must submit proof of address for the business. Proof may consist of a utility bill, not more than 60 days old, in the name of the business or a lease in the name of the business.
9. **Letter of Necessity.** All applicants for a carry license and those seeking a premise license for use in connection with their employment **MUST** complete the Letter of Necessity found on page 3 of the application. **NO SUBSTITUTES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

If you have any questions concerning your application, please call (646) 610-5551. Applications must be submitted in person at the License Division, Room 110, Monday thru Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.