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# Berks County Sheriff

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**Eric J. Weaknecht**  
Sheriff

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Dear Berks County Gun Dealer,

As you know, the Uniform Firearms Act of 1995 (Act 17, 1995), as amended, still requires all Berks County individuals and organizations that sell firearms to apply and be issued a **License to Sell Firearms** from the Sheriff.

To apply for a new *three-year license*, you need to fill out the attached application, include a copy of your Federal Firearm License, and submit a check made payable to **Sheriff Eric J. Weaknecht** for \$62.00 (\$57.00 for the license and \$5.00 for certified mail). These three items should be sent to:

**BERKS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
FIREARMS SECTION  
633 COURT ST., 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR  
READING, PA 19601**

The processing of your application will not exceed 45 days. If you have any questions, you may call our office at the above telephone number. Thank you for your patience and understanding in this matter.

Sincerely,

Eric J. Weaknecht  
Sheriff of Berks County



COUNTY OF BERKS

APPLICATION FOR A PENNSYLVANIA LICENSE TO SELL FIREARMS

FOR USE BY ISSUING AUTHORITY

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ LICENSE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_
SALES TAX LICENSE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ FEDERAL EMPLOYEE ID NO. \_\_\_\_\_
USE AND OCCUPANCY TAX NO. \_\_\_\_\_ DATE APPLIED \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ DATE APPROVED \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_
DATE REJECTED \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ REASON FOR REJECTION \_\_\_\_\_



APPLICANT INFORMATION - TYPE/PRINT IN BLUE OR BLACK INK

1. LAST NAME 2. JR., ETC. 3. FIRST NAME 4. MIDDLE NAME 5. PHOTO ID/DRIVER LICENSE NO. 6. STATE
7. DATE OF BIRTH 8. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. (Optional, but will help prevent misidentification) 9. AGE 10. SEX 11. RACE 12. HEIGHT 13. WEIGHT 14. HAIR COLOR 15. EYE COLOR
16. HOME STREET ADDRESS 17. CITY 18. STATE 19. ZIP CODE 20. HOME TELEPHONE NO 21. ALTERNATE PHONE /CELL NO.
22. BUSINESS NAME 23. BUSINESS TELEPHONE NO. 24. BUSINESS FAX NO. 25. FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSE NO.
26. BUSINESS ADDRESS 27. CITY 28. TOWNSHIP 29. STATE 30. ZIP CODE
31. INDICATE BUSINESS OWNERSHIP (CHECK ONE):  SOLE PROPRIETOR  PARTNERSHIP  CORPORATION  OTHER \_\_\_\_\_
32. POLICE PHONE NO. 33. HOURS OF OPERATION

34. IF OWNERSHIP IS A PARTNERSHIP, CORPORATION, OR OTHER, LIST THE NAME OF ALL RESPONSIBLE PERSONS BELOW. (IF ADDITIONAL SPACE IS NEEDED, ATTACH AN 8-1/2 X 11 SHEET OF PAPER TO EACH COPY OF THE FORM.)

Table with 6 columns: LAST NAME, JR., ETC., FIRST NAME, MIDDLE NAME, DATE OF BIRTH, SOCIAL SECURITY NO. (Optional). Contains 3 rows for listing responsible persons.

35. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME ENUMERATED IN SECTION 6105(b), OR DO ANY OF THE CONDITIONS UNDER 6105(c) APPLY TO YOU? (READ INFORMATION ON BACK PRIOR TO ANSWERING)  YES  NO

36. ARE YOU NOW CHARGED WITH, OR HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME PUNISHABLE BY IMPRISONMENT FOR A TERM EXCEEDING ONE YEAR? THIS IS THE MAXIMUM SENTENCE THAT YOU COULD HAVE RECEIVED, NOT THE ACTUAL SENTENCE YOU DID RECEIVE. (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE FEDERAL OR STATE OFFENSES PERTAINING TO ANTITRUST, UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES, RESTRAINTS OF TRADE, OR REGULATION OF BUSINESS; OR STATE OFFENSES CLASSIFIED AS MISDEMEANORS AND PUNISHABLE BY A TERM OF IMPRISONMENT NOT TO EXCEED TWO YEARS.) (READ INFORMATION ON BACK PRIOR TO ANSWERING)  YES  NO

37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ADJUDICATED A DELINQUENT FOR A CRIME ENUMERATED IN SECTION 6105, OR FOR AN OFFENSE UNDER THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, DRUG, DEVICE AND COSMETIC ACT? (READ INFORMATION ON BACK PRIOR TO ANSWERING)  YES  NO

38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY DRUG OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE OFFENSE UNDER THE ACT OF APRIL 14, 1972 (P.L. 233, NO. 64) KNOWN AS THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE, DRUG, DEVICE AND COSMETIC ACT?  YES  NO

39. IN REFERENCE TO THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED A WAIVER? (REFER TO 6105(d) EXEMPTIONS. IF YES, LIST WHEN \_\_\_\_\_. ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF THE WAIVER OF APPLICATION.  YES  NO

40. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN INVOLUNTARILY COMMITTED TO A HEALTH CARE FACILITY FOR A MENTAL CONDITION, OR ADJUDICATED INCOMPETENT/INCAPACITATED?  YES  NO

41. ARE YOU AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS A HABITUAL DRUNKARD, OR WHO IS ADDICTED TO OR AN UNLAWFUL USER OF MARIJUANA OR A STIMULANT, DEPRESSANT, OR NARCOTIC DRUG?  YES  NO

42. ARE YOU A UNITED STATES CITIZEN? IF NO, COUNTRY OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_
COUNTRY OF CITIZENSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ IMMIGRATION IDENTIFICATION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  YES  NO

43. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED A DISHONORABLE DISCHARGE FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES?  YES  NO

44. DO YOU POSSESS A CURRENT LICENSE, PERMIT, OR SIMILAR DOCUMENT TO SELL FIREARMS FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT? IF YES, ATTACH A PHOTOCOPY OF THE DOCUMENT TO THIS FORM.  YES  NO

45. I HAVE NEVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME OF VIOLENCE IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA OR ELSEWHERE. I AM OF SOUND MIND AND HAVE NEVER BEEN COMMITTED TO A MENTAL INSTITUTION OR MENTAL HEALTH CARE FACILITY. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. I UNDERSTAND THAT, IF I KNOWINGLY MAKE ANY FALSE STATEMENTS HEREIN, I AM SUBJECT TO PENALTIES PRESCRIBED BY LAW. BY SIGNING THIS APPLICATION, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IF A LICENSE IS GRANTED, I GIVE PERMISSION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE, OR THEIR DESIGNEE, AND THE ISSUING AUTHORITY TO COME TO THE BUSINESS LOCATION AND INSPECT THE PREMISES, RECORDS, AND DOCUMENTS WITHOUT WARRANT, TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH 37 PA. CODE § 33.1 ET SEQ. (RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS REGARDING THE UNIFORM FIREARMS ACT). THIS CERTIFICATION IS MADE SUBJECT TO BOTH THE PENALTIES OF SECTION 4904 OF THE CRIMES CODE (18 PA.C.S. 4904) RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO AUTHORITIES AND THE UNIFORM FIREARMS ACT.

SIGNATURE - APPLICANT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_

**Section 6105(a):**

Effective November 22, 1995, 18 Pa.C.S. § 6105(a) prohibits persons convicted of any of the following offenses under 18 Pa.C.S. from possessing, using, controlling, transferring, manufacturing, or obtaining a license to possess, use, control, transfer, or manufacture a firearm in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. A conviction includes a finding of guilty or the entering of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, whether or not judgement has been imposed, as determined by the law of the jurisdiction in which the prosecution was held. The term does not include a conviction which has been expunged or overturned or for which an individual has been pardoned unless the pardon expressly provides that the individual may not possess or transport firearms.

**Section 6105(b):**

§	908	Prohibited offensive weapons.	§ 3921	Theft by unlawful taking or disposition, upon conviction of the second felony offense.
§	911	Corrupt organizations.		
§	912	Possession of weapon on school property.	§ 3923	Theft by extortion, when the offense is accompanied by threats of violence.
§	2502	Murder.		
§	2503	Voluntary manslaughter.	§ 3925	Receiving stolen property, upon conviction of the second felony offense.
§	2504	Involuntary manslaughter, if the offense is based on the reckless use of a firearm.	§ 4912	Impersonating a public servant, if the person is impersonating a law enforcement officer.
§	2702	Aggravated assault.	§ 4952	Intimidation of witnesses or victims.
§	2703	Assault by prisoner.	§ 4953	Retaliation against witness or victim.
§	2704	Assault by life prisoner.	§ 5121	Escape.
§	2709.1	Stalking.	§ 5122	Weapons or implements for escape.
§	2716	Weapons of mass destruction.	§ 5501(3)	Riot, if the offense relates to a firearm or other deadly weapon.
§	2901	Kidnapping.	§ 5515	Prohibiting of paramilitary training.
§	2902	Unlawful restraint.	§ 5516	Facsimile weapons of mass destruction.
§	2910	Luring a child into a motor vehicle.	§ 6110.1	Possession of firearm by minor.
§	3121	Rape.	§ 6301	Corruption of minors.
§	3123	Involuntary deviate sexual intercourse.	§ 6302	Sale or lease of weapons and explosives.
§	3125	Aggravated indecent assault.		
§	3301	Arson and related offenses.		
§	3302	Causing or risking catastrophe.		
§	3502	Burglary.		
§	3503	Criminal trespass, if the offense is graded a felony of the second degree or higher.		Any offense equivalent to any of the above-enumerated offenses under the prior laws of this Commonwealth, or any offense equivalent to any of the above-enumerated offenses under the statutes of any other state or of the United States.
§	3701	Robbery.		
§	3702	Robbery of motor vehicle.		

**Section 6105(c):**

Effective November 22, 1995, 18 Pa.C.S. § 6105(c) also prohibits the following persons from possessing, using, controlling, transferring, manufacturing, or obtaining a license to possess, use, control, transfer, or manufacture a firearm in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

**ARE YOU A PERSON WHO:**

1. is a fugitive from justice; or
2. has been convicted of an offense under the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L. 233, No. 64), known as The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, or any equivalent Federal statute or equivalent statute of any other state, that may be punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding two years; or
3. has been convicted of driving under the influence of alcohol or controlled substance as provided in 75 Pa.C.S. § 3802 (relating to driving under influence of alcohol or controlled substance) or the former 75 Pa.C.S. § 3731, on three or more separate occasions within a five-year period. For the purposes of this paragraph only, the prohibition of Section 6105(a) shall only apply to transfers or purchases of firearms after the third conviction; or
4. has been adjudicated as an incompetent or who has been involuntarily committed to a mental institution for inpatient care and treatment under section 302, 303, or 304 of the provisions of the act of July 9, 1976 (P.L. 817, No. 143), known as the Mental Health Procedures Act; or
5. being an alien, is illegally or unlawfully in the United States; or
6. is the subject of an active protection from abuse order issued pursuant to 23 Pa.C.S. § 6108 (relating to relief), which order provides for the relinquishment of firearms during the period of time the order is in effect. This prohibition shall terminate upon the expiration or vacation of an active protection from abuse order or portion thereof relating to the relinquishment of firearms; or
7. was adjudicated delinquent by a court pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 6341 (relating to adjudication) or under any equivalent Federal statute or statute of any other state as a result of conduct which if committed by an adult would constitute an offense under 18 Pa.C.S. sections 2502, 2503, 2702, 2703, 2704, 2901, 3121, 3123, 3301, 3502, 3701, and 3923; or
8. was adjudicated delinquent by a court pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 6341 or under any equivalent Federal statute or statute of any other state as a result of conduct which if committed by an adult would constitute an offense enumerated in 18 Pa.C.S. § 6105(b) with the exception of those crimes set forth in paragraph 7. This prohibition shall terminate 15 years after the last applicable delinquent adjudication or upon the person reaching the age of 30, whichever is earlier.
9. is prohibited from possessing or acquiring a firearm under 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(9) (relating to unlawful acts) who has been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence by a person in any of the following relationships: (i) the current or former spouse, parent or guardian of the victim; (ii) a person with whom the victim shares a child in common; (iii) a person who cohabits with or has cohabited with the victim as a spouse, parent or guardian; or (iv) a person similarly situated to a spouse, parent or guardian of the victim; then the relationship need not be an element of the offense to meet the requirements of this paragraph.

**PRIVACY ACT NOTICE**

**Solicitation of this information is authorized under Title 18 Pa.C.S. § 6111. Disclosure of your social security number is voluntary. Your social security number, if provided, may be used to verify your identity and prevent misidentification. All information supplied, including your social security number, is confidential and not subject to public disclosure.**