

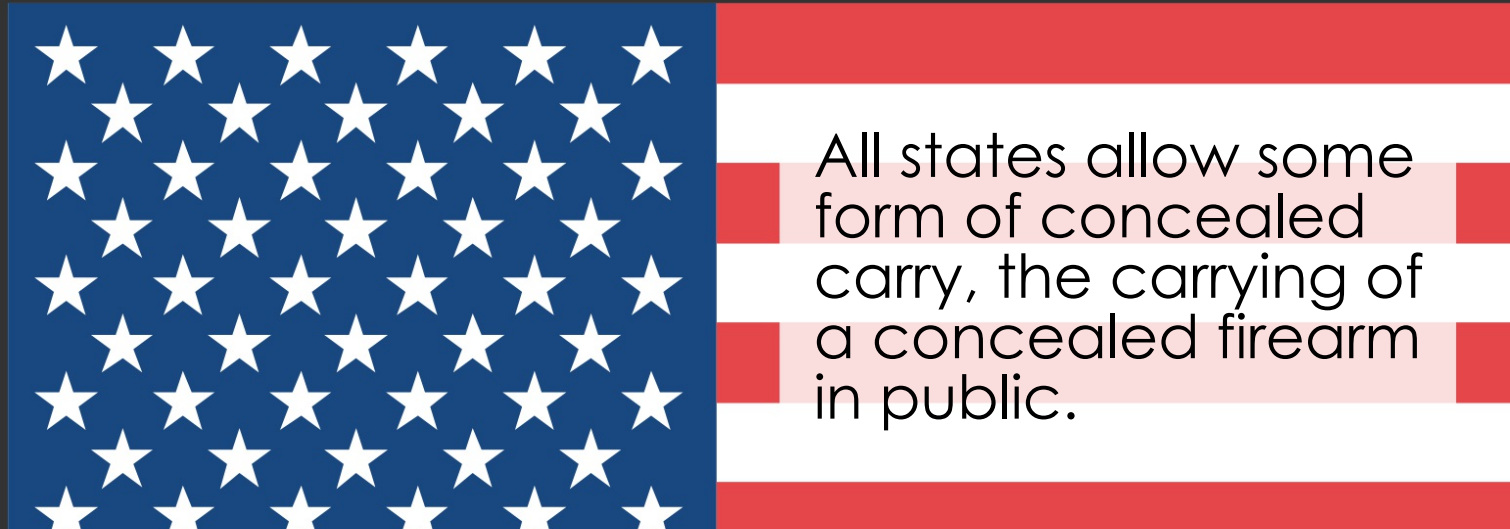
GUN LAWS



Firearm related matters that are often regulated by state or local laws include the following:

Some states and localities require that a person obtain a license or permit in order to purchase or possess firearms.

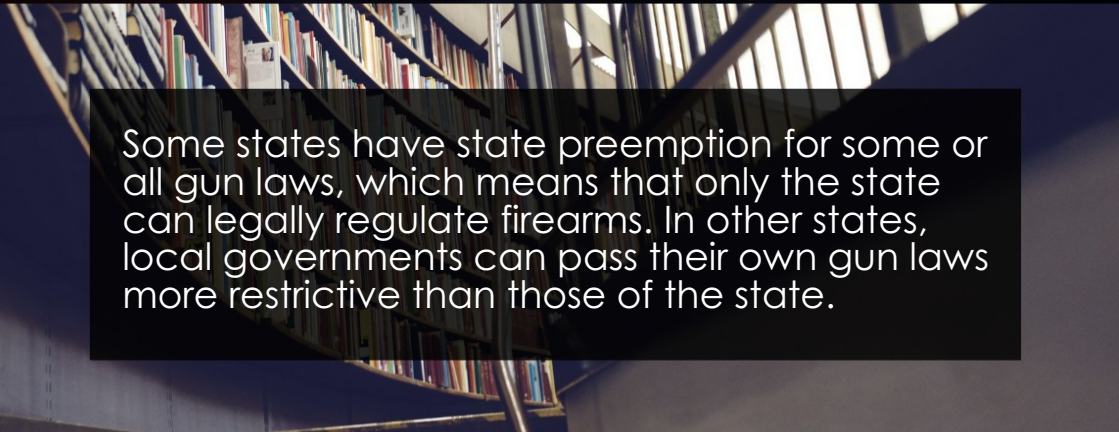
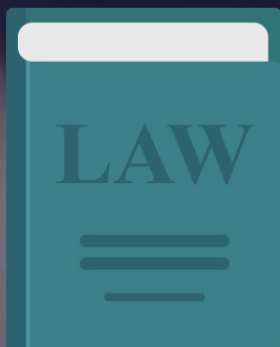
Some states and localities require that individual firearms be registered with the police or with another law enforcement agency.



All states allow some form of concealed carry, the carrying of a concealed firearm in public.



Many states allow some form of open carry, the carrying of an unconcealed firearm in public on one's person or in a vehicle.



Some states have state preemption for some or all gun laws, which means that only the state can legally regulate firearms. In other states, local governments can pass their own gun laws more restrictive than those of the state.

Some states and localities place additional restrictions on certain semi-automatic firearms that they have defined as assault weapons, or on magazines that can hold more than a certain number of rounds of ammunition.



NFA weapons are weapons that are heavily restricted at a federal level by the National Firearms Act of 1934 and the Firearm Owners Protection Act of 1986.

These include automatic firearms (such as machine guns), short-barreled shotguns, and short-barreled rifles. Some states and localities place additional restrictions on such weapons.

Some states have enacted castle doctrine or

stand-your-ground laws, which provide a legal basis for individuals to use deadly force in self-defense in certain situations, without a duty to flee or retreat if possible.

In some states, peaceable journey laws give additional leeway for the possession of firearms by travelers who are passing through to another destination.

Some states require a background check of the buyer when a firearm is sold by a private party. (Federal law requires background checks for sales by licensed gun dealers, and for any interstate sales.)



	Permit to purchase required?	Firearm registration?	Owner license required?	Carry permits issued?	Open carry permitted?	Shall certify?	Assault weapon law?	NFA weapons restricted?	Background checks required for private sales?
Alabama	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Alaska	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Arizona	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Arkansas	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	N/A	NO
California	Partial	NO	NO	YES	Partial		YES	YES	YES
Colorado	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	YES
Connecticut	YES	Partial	NO	YES	Partial		YES	NO	YES
Delaware	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES		NO	YES	YES
District of Columbia	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO		YES	YES	YES
Florida	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO		NO	NO	NO
Georgia	NO	NO	NO	YES	Restricted		NO	NO	NO
Hawaii	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO		NO	YES	YES
Idaho	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Illinois	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO		NO	YES	YES
Indiana	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Iowa	YES	NO	NO	N/A	NO		NO		NO
Kansas	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Kentucky	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Louisiana	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Maine	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Maryland	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES		YES	NO	NO
Massachusetts	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO		YES	YES	YES

Michigan	Not from FFL	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	NO
Minnesota	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	NO
Mississippi	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Missouri	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Montana	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Nebraska	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Nevada	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
New Hampshire	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
New Jersey	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES		YES	YES	NO
New Mexico	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
New York	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO		YES	YES	YES
North Carolina	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	NO
North Dakota	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Ohio	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Oklahoma	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
Oregon	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES
Pennsylvania	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES		NO	NO	NO
Rhode Island	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	YES
South Carolina	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
South Dakota	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Tennessee	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Texas	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Utah	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO
Vermont	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Virginia	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	NO
Washington	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	YES
West Virginia	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	NO	NO
Wisconsin	YES	NO	NO	Handguns	Handgun, Long gun, Knife		NO	Machine Guns restricted, exceptions apply	NO
Wyoming	NO	NO	NO	YES	YES		NO	NO	NO
American Samoa	N/A	YES	NO	NO	NO		YES	NO	NO
Guam	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO		NO	YES	NO
Northern Mariana Islands	YES	NO		NO	NO		NO	YES	
Puerto Rico	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES		NO	YES	
U.S. Virgin Islands	YES	YES	NO	NO	YES		YES	YES	



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