

**Sandwich Police Department
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Firearms Permits - Application Process

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW ACCEPTED BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

The fee for the application is \$100 for all firearms licenses including renewals (unless you are 70 years of age or older in which renewals are free) and \$25 for a restricted FID card for chemical sprays, FID cards for those under the age of 18 and active or retired law enforcement Officers. (Check or money order made payable to the Town of Sandwich). You must be fingerprinted and photographed as part of the application process. Please **do not** drop the application off and leave.

The processing of applications is by appointment only. Please contact firearmslicensing@sandwichmass.org to schedule an appointment.

First issue application: You are required to attend a State Police certified safety course prior to issuance of the license. Not required for current members of the US Military or Massachusetts National Guard. Instructors and course information is available on-line or through local gun clubs. The Sandwich Police Department does not offer the required safety course.

Renewal application affidavits: All renewal applications must be submitted with an affidavit regarding the reporting of lost or stolen firearms since the issuance of the previous license (Last page of application).

Types of Permits

Restricted FID: Required for individuals between the ages of 15 and 17 to carry pepper spray or Chemical Mace only. (No safety course required and free renewal)

FID: Allows holder to carry and possess rifles and shotguns that are not large capacity. Semi-auto rifle not more than 10 rounds. Semi-auto shotgun not more than 5 rounds.

License to Carry: Allows holder to carry and possess large capacity rifles and shotguns and large capacity handguns (more than 10 round capacity). This license also allows concealed carry of firearms.

Background Checks

A criminal records check is conducted on all applicants whether it is a renewal or a first issue. *The Gun Control Act of 1998* requires rejection of applications for certain past convictions even if you have been issued a permit before. For License to carry firearms, the Chief of Police makes the final determination on the suitability of anyone applying.

Any further questions on the licensing process may be addressed at the Sandwich Police Department 508-888-1212 or by e-mail to firearmslicensing@sandwichmass.org.