



Easton Police Department

PISTOL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

PISTOL PERMIT APPLICATION

- 60 Day Temporary State Pistol Permit

When a **completed and notarized application** is submitted to this department for processing, it must be accompanied with the following:

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1. The **ORIGINAL and a COPY** of any of the following
 - a. Birth Certificate with raised seal,
 - b. Passport, or
 - c. I.C.E. Documentation

The original will be returned to you; we keep the copy
 2. Driver's License or State Issued Photo Identification Card
 3. Two (2) passport size photographs taken within the past 6 months
 4. A check payable to the **Town of Easton, Police Department**, or cash in the amount of \$161.50
 - a. \$70 Application Fee
 - b. \$75.00 SPBI Record Check
 - c. \$16.50 Police Dept., and FBI Fingerprint Processing Fee
 5. A copy of your 'Firearms & Use Basic Pistol Permit' Certificate

ATTENTION: *According to the State, your completed application request should be approved or denied within eight (8) weeks by our agency. However, the State takes three (3) to four (4) months to complete background checks for this department. When the investigation process is complete, we will call you.*

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION
DIVISION OF STATE POLICE
SPECIAL LICENSING AND FIREARMS UNIT
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For additional information please visit: www.ct.gov/despp

Instructions to Applicants:

The guidelines for obtaining both a local and state pistol permit are contained in [C.G.S., sec. 29-28, 29-28a, and 28-29](#).

Applicants must be at least 21 years old and be a legal resident of the United States. Persons convicted of a felony or any one of 11 misdemeanor offenses detailed in the statute are ineligible to receive a permit. Persons convicted as a delinquent for the commission of a serious juvenile offense (as defined in [section 46b-120](#)); persons discharged from custody within the preceding twenty years after having been found not guilty of a crime by reason of mental disease or defect (pursuant to [section 53a-13](#)); persons confined in a hospital for persons with psychiatric disabilities, has been voluntarily admitted on or after October 1, 2013, to a hospital for persons with psychiatric disabilities (as defined in [section 17a-495](#)), within the preceding 12 months by order of a probate court; persons subject to a restraining or protective order issued by a court in a case involving the use, attempted use or threatened use of physical force against another person; persons subject to a firearms seizure order issued pursuant to [C.G.S. 29-38c](#) after notice and hearing; and any person who is an alien illegally or unlawfully in the United States, are prohibited from obtaining a pistol permit.

You are **required** to complete a handgun safety course, which must consist of no less than the NRA's "Basic Pistol Course," prior to submitting the application. The NRA's "**Home Firearms Safety Course**" and "**First Steps Pistol Orientation Program**" are **not approved courses**.

You will also be required to submit to a background investigation, criminal history check and submit fingerprints and photographs in connection with your application. The licensing statute also contains a "suitability clause" which provides that the issuing authority may deny such application, if it determines that the applicant is not a suitable person to possess or carry a pistol or revolver. The suitability clause applies both to the issuance of new permits and revocation of existing permits. Applicants must provide proof you are legally and lawfully in the United States, such as a birth certificate, or U.S. Passport. Legal Alien Residents must provide Alien Registration numbers and 90-day proof of residency. Naturalized citizens require proof of citizenship.

A denial may be appealed to the **Board of Firearm Permit Examiners** as provide in [C.G.S. Section 29-32](#).