CCW Course Questions and Answers

What are the requirements to apply for a CCW in Nevada, Florida and Utah? The requirements to obtain a CCW in all of the three states are simple. You have met most of the requirements already during the last four days. In addition to what you have done over the last four days:

- You must be a US citizen or a resident alien
- You must be over 21
- For Nevada, you must qualify with the weapon or weapons to be listed on your permit, and take a written test
- You must have the State’s Statutes lectured to you

Which is the best CCW to apply for? Laws change constantly. While you are here for the class you have the opportunity to apply for all three states. You may choose to take the paperwork home, do some additional research, and decide which ones to apply for then.

What states recognize my state’s CCW? If you go to www.handgunlaw.us, you can click on the state you reside in on the US map shown on the homepage, which will open up a PDF file in a new tab or window of your browser. This file will contain information on your state’s laws, as well as show you what states recognize your state’s CCW permit.

How do I get a CCW in a state where it is difficult to obtain one? It can boil down to something simple as how involved you are with your community and local charity events to who you know and what your status is within the community. The simplest solution is to locate someone in your community who already possesses a CCW and talk to them to find out how they got it.

What states will I be able to legally carry a concealed handgun in? The legislation pertaining to CCW’s is constantly changing. Consult the URL list at the end for up-to-the-minute details of which states you will be legally allowed to carry a concealed handgun in. You can select any or all of Nevada, Utah, and Florida permits to apply for.

States that recognize a Nevada CCW permit (20):
(Nevada residents must have a Nevada permit to carry in Nevada.)

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(Michigan will honor a Nevada resident permit.)

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States that recognize a Utah CCW permit (34):
(Utah residents must have a Utah permit to carry in Utah.)

Alabama  Alaska  Arizona  Arkansas  Delaware  Georgia
Idaho    Indiana  Kentucky  Louisiana  Minnesota  Mississippi
Missouri Montana  Nebraska  New Mexico  N. Carolina  N. Dakota
Ohio     Oklahoma  Pennsylvania S. Dakota  Tennessee  Texas
Utah     Vermont  Virginia  Washington W. Virginia  Wyoming

(Colorado, Florida, Michigan and New Hampshire will honor a Utah resident permit.)

Utah honors the following State CCW permits:
Utah recognizes all other State permits/licenses.

States that recognize a Florida CCW Permit (34):
(Florida residents must have a Florida permit to carry in Florida.)

Alabama  Alaska  Arizona  Arkansas  Delaware  Florida
Georgia  Idaho    Indiana  Kansas   Kentucky  Louisiana
Mississippi Missouri Montana  Nebraska  New Mexico  N. Carolina
N. Dakota Ohio     Oklahoma  Pennsylvania S. Dakota  Tennessee
Texas     Vermont  Virginia  W. Virginia  Wyoming  Utah

(Colorado, Michigan, New Hampshire and South Carolina will honor a Florida resident permit.)

Florida honors the following State CCW permits:
(Florida will only honor resident permits from the states they honor. They will not honor a Non-Resident permit from any state.)

Alabama  Alaska  Arizona  Colorado  Delaware
Georgia  Idaho    Indiana  Kansas   Kentucky
Louisiana Michigan Mississippi Missouri  Montana
New Hampshire New Mexico  N. Carolina  N. Dakota  Ohio
Oklahoma Pennsylvania  S. Carolina  S. Dakota  Tennessee
Texas     Utah     Vermont  Virginia  W. Virginia
Wyoming

What is the Plan of the Day?

- Arrive by 07:30, geared up and ready to go like the last four days of training.
- Sign in, turn in your driver’s license, (unless you are getting a program or rental gun, then go to the Pro Shop) and go through Weapon’s Inspection. You will be given a range assignment when you sign in.
- At 08:00, report to your assigned range. Everyone will fire the Nevada qualification test at that time. Keep your second weapon in your range bag until told to retrieve it by range personnel. (You should already have your magazines filled.)
• Around 08:30, you will return to the classroom and receive paperwork for all three states, along with a checklist.
• There will be a brief question and answer period, followed by detailed instructions on filling out the paperwork for Utah, Florida and Nevada, along with the fingerprint cards for Utah and Nevada. (Please note, if you are a Nevada resident, you will NOT be filling out your Nevada fingerprint cards. If you are a Nevada non-resident, and planning on going to the Sheriff’s office, you will NOT fill out your fingerprint cards either.)
• Once the paperwork and fingerprint cards are filled out, then you will go through the process of being fingerprinted (Nevada and Utah ONLY), being photographed, and having your forms notarized.
• Upon completion of your paperwork and fingerprinting, there will be a range with staff for you to do some shooting and dry practice on while waiting for everyone to finish.
• When everyone is finished, there will be a mandatory lecture on the state statutes. You may eat your lunch at this time if you desire. You should also check off items you have completed on your checklist.
• Once the mandatory lecture is over with, those applying for Utah will receive the red Utah Instructor stamp and signature. Those applying for a Nevada CCW will take their written test.
• While the Nevada CCW applicants are taking their written test, those students desiring to attend the optional shooting will meet on the designated range to begin some warm up exercises while waiting for the Nevada applicants to finish their test and have their forms finished.
• IMPORTANT: Before you leave the classroom, you must turn in the white copy of your checklist! You keep the yellow copy, as it has the CCW Instructor’s contact information on it. We must have a record of what permits you applied for in order to send you replacement paperwork if needed.

Will I leave Front Sight with everything I need to get my CCW’s? No. There is still work to be done on your own after leaving Front Sight.

• For Nevada residents, you will need to return to the county of your residence and have your local sheriff or law enforcement agency complete your application, get fingerprinted and photographed.
• If you are not a resident of Nevada, you will receive a pre-addressed mailing envelope for your Nevada application, which you will mail or turn in to the Nye County Sheriff’s Office in Pahrump.
  o If you mail your application in, you will need to return to Pahrump to pick up your CCW.
  o If you are able to go to the Sheriff’s Office, your permit will be mailed to you.
     Hours are from 8:00 to 3:30 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.
     It takes approximately 20 to 30 minutes to process each person at this time, so plan accordingly.
     The Sheriff's substation in Pahrump is located at 1520 East Basin Rd. (Go to the third traffic light (Basin) in Pahrump, and turn right. Approximately three blocks up on the left is the Nye County Courthouse.)
The Sheriff’s substation is a separate building on the far side of the Courthouse from Basin.

- For Florida, you will need to get fingerprinted by any law enforcement agency. *Front Sight cannot take fingerprints for your Florida application.*
- Your Utah application will be ready to go in the pre-addressed mailing envelope you will receive with your application.

**What if I didn’t bring money orders?** You will be provided with mailing envelopes for Nevada, Utah and Florida applications, so you can purchase money orders at your convenience. Utah also accepts credit cards. The Nye County Sheriff’s Office prefers Money Orders, but they will take EXACT change also.

Front Sight does not sell money orders, but they are available in Pahrump if you are planning on applying for a Nevada permit in person at the Nye County Sheriff’s Office.

- Money orders are available in Pahrump at numerous locations including:
  - **Wal-Mart Superstore** on Hwy 160. Open 7 a.m. until 11 p.m. (Follow Hwy 160 into Pahrump, through the 2nd traffic light. Wal-Mart is on the left.)
  - **Albertsons** on Hwy 160 at Basin, near Wal-Mart. Money orders available 10 a.m. until 7 p.m.

**Who do I make the money orders out to?**

For a Nevada CCW:
- New applications are $111.25, made payable to “Nye County Sheriff’s Office” (NCSO) for Nye County residents or Nevada non-residents, or to the County law enforcement agency processing your application where you reside.
- $100.25 if fingerprints are taken electronically at the Sheriff’s Office
- Renewals before expiration date = $76.25
- Renewals up to six months AFTER expiration date = $91.25
- Permits expired more than six months require a new application

For a Utah CCW:
- $65.25 made payable to “Utah Bureau of Criminal Investigation” (Utah BCI). You will be taking your Utah application with you so you can purchase the money order later if you wish.
- **Utah will also accept Visa, Master Card, or personal checks**

For a Florida CCW:
- $117 made payable to the “Florida Department of Consumer Affairs”. You will be taking your Florida application with you so you can purchase the money order later if you wish.

**What if I live in Nevada, but not in Nye County?** We will sign your Nevada CCW application stating you have had the required training, but you will still have to complete the process with the sheriff or law enforcement agency in your county of residence. This means you may have to
make an appointment to get your fingerprints and photographs taken. Should your agency have any questions on whether or not we are authorized to teach Nevada CCW classes, have them contact the Nye County Sheriff’s Office at the Pahrump substation, NOT Tonopah.

**How long will it take to get my permits?** Securing a CCW permit is a lengthy, bureaucratic process. Florida and Utah can take up to two to three months or longer, while Nevada can take up to four months. Utah tries to get their permits out within 60 days of processing your payment, but they have run over 90 days if they receive a high volume of applications.

**How do I receive my Florida and Utah permits?** The permits are mailed directly to you. Similarly, if you are a Nevada resident, or you went to the NCSO to be fingerprinted and photographed, your Nevada CCW will be mailed to you.

**How do I receive my Nevada permit if I mail in my application?** You will be notified by letter that the permit is ready. Then you must pick up the permit in person at the Nye County Sheriff’s Office in Pahrump, Nevada.

**How many handguns may I qualify with for my Nevada CCW?** Nevada requires you to qualify with the specific make, model and caliber of your semi-automatic pistols, or any revolver. They allow an unlimited number of weapons to be assigned to your permit. Due to time constraints, we will qualify you with up to two weapons. You will need at least 30 rounds for each gun. Utah and Florida do not require weapons qualification, and their permits are not weapon specific. **You qualify for Utah and Florida with any handgun, even a rental, by just attending the two or four day Defensive Handgun Course and lectures, plus the follow-on CCW course.**

**What if I want to qualify with two weapons for my Nevada permit but only brought one with me to Front Sight?** We will only be able to qualify you with the weapon you brought. You may add additional weapons later by following the process described by your County Sheriff’s Office. You may also qualify with additional weapons when you are taking a class with us by contacting one of the Nevada qualified Range Masters and making arrangements to fire the Nevada qualification course before or after class.

**Do I need a concealment garment for the CCW Course?** Yes. Bring a jacket or similar garment. Do not bring a fanny pack, shoulder holster, ankle holster, purse holster, etc. Although these are common forms of concealed carry, they are not suitable for safe range use.

**How much ammunition do I need?** You will need 30 rounds for each gun you intend to list on your Nevada permit and an additional 50-100 rounds for whichever gun you will use in the tactical shooting portion of the CCW day.

**Do I need a holster for each weapon?** No. You must have a holster for your primary weapon (the one you will be shooting in the course). You don’t need a holster for the second weapon.

**How difficult are the written and shooting tests to get my Nevada CCW?** They are very simple. Very few people have difficulty passing the tests.
Do I need to qualify with the ammunition I intend to carry? No. You may qualify with any factory-made, full-metal jacket or jacketed hollow point ammunition.

Where can I go for more information? On the World Wide Web, the following URLs will be helpful when seeking additional, current information about various state laws:

UT: bci.utah.gov   FL: licweb.doacs.state.fl.us   NV: www.nvrepository.state.nv.us

You can also visit State Attorney General’s Office websites, or contact them by phone when seeking information about that State’s laws regarding concealed carry.