



WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT ALABAMA'S PERMITLESS CARRY LAWS

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What is permitless carry?

- Individuals who may lawfully possess a firearm, may carry, either openly or concealed, in any location, UNLESS otherwise posted, prohibited by law, or a permit is required.
- Act 2022-133 is available on the Alabama Secretary of State's website.

Act 2022-133

You CANNOT possess a firearm if you are...

- Convicted of a violent crime or attempted violent crime;
- Convicted of Domestic Violence;
- Subject to a valid Protection Order;
- Under 19 years old (with exceptions);
- A Drug Addict;
- A Habitual Drunkard;
- Of Unsound mind;

13A-11-72 Code of Alabama

Places firearms are not allowed.

Firearms are NOT allowed in the following areas:

- School Zones (Federal Law)
- Police, sheriff, or highway patrol buildings;
- Jails, prisons, and other detention facilities;
- Mental health facilities;
- Judicial Buildings;
- Primary office of any elected official;
- Athletic facilities (with exceptions);
- Buildings or facilities with security features that prevent bringing prohibited items inside the building or facility and have a "No Firearms" notice posted at the public entrances;

13A-11-61.2 Code of Alabama

Firearms and Law Enforcement

- During contact with law enforcement, any person must immediately inform the officer of the presence of a firearm if the officer asks if a concealed firearm is present & the officer is acting within their official duties;
- The duty to disclose a concealed firearm applies regardless of whether the gun is on their person or in a vehicle they occupy;
- A person in a motor vehicle that is stopped by law enforcement shall not knowingly touch the firearm until the stop is over.
- Law Enforcement may temporarily take a firearm into custody for safety and/or investigative purposes.

Act 2022-133 Sections 3, 4, & 5

Can I still get a permit? Should I get a permit?

- Permits are available at your county's Sheriff's Office.
- Lee County residents may visit www.leecountysheriff.org for permit information.
- Permits can be issued for one year, five years, or a lifetime.
- Other states may require a valid permit to possess a firearm in their state.
- If traveling out of the state consult that state's firearms laws.
- When in another state, a person with an Alabama-issued concealed carry permit is subject to the laws of that state.
- For a list of states with permit reciprocity visit the Alabama Attorney General's website at www.alabamaag.gov/Documents/files/ReciprocityOfConcealedCarryPermits.pdf

What else should I know?

- This is not legal advice, and merely a summary of a few of Alabama's gun laws.
- Federal, state, and local laws change regularly. Keep up-to-date on any changes to the law.
- When traveling through or to another state, always verify the laws regarding firearms.
- Please enroll in a firearms safety and training course and be knowledgeable about permitless carry before going armed in public.

