

2023 Kansas Statutes

75-7b17. Firearms permit; expiration of; qualifications; application; discharge of firearm, report; suspension or revocation of permit; liability of licensee; firearm permit badge. (a) No licensee may carry a firearm concealed on or about the licensee's person unless the licensee obtains a permit therefor, upon application to the attorney general. No permit shall be issued to any licensee unless such licensee:

(1) Demonstrates to the attorney general the need to carry a firearm in order to protect the licensee's life or property or to protect the life or property of a client of licensee and submits such proof as required by the attorney general to establish the necessity for the issuance of a firearm permit; and

(2) (A) within 24 months before the date of submission of the original application for a firearm permit, has successfully completed the law enforcement training requirements of subsection (a) of K.S.A. 74-5607a, and amendments thereto, or, within 12 months before the date of submission of the original application for a firearm permit, has successfully completed the law enforcement training requirements of subsection (b) of K.S.A. 74-5607a, and amendments thereto, and submits such proof as required by the attorney general to show satisfactory completion of such training or (B) within six months before the date of submission of the original application for a firearm permit, has received training in the handling of firearms and the lawful use of force from a trainer certified pursuant to K.S.A. 75-7b21, and amendments thereto, and submits such proof as required by the attorney general to show satisfactory completion of such training.

(b) An application for a firearm permit by a licensee shall be made in the manner and form prescribed by the attorney general and shall be accompanied by a fee in an amount fixed by the attorney general pursuant to K.S.A. 75-7b22, and amendments thereto. Such application shall be made a part of and supplemental to such licensee's application for a license under this act. The application shall contain:

(1) The applicant's name and business and residence addresses;

(2) the make or manufacturer's name, model, serial number, caliber, gauge and any other identifying information concerning the firearm or firearms to be carried by the applicant;

(3) a full set of the applicant's fingerprints;

(4) a color photograph of the applicant taken within 30 days prior to date of application and suitable for identification purposes;

(5) such other information as deemed necessary by the attorney general.

(c) (1) If the attorney general is satisfied that it is necessary for an applicant under this section to carry a firearm, the attorney general shall issue to such licensee a firearm permit identification card, the form of which shall be approved by the attorney general. Such card shall bear the licensee's color photograph, thumb prints and signature and a description of the firearm or firearms to be carried. The licensee shall have such permit in the licensee's possession when carrying a firearm. Identification cards and firearm permits shall be numbered consecutively, and the attorney general shall maintain a current file of all valid firearm permits.

(2) For the purpose of safety and emergency identification, licensees issued a firearm permit under this act to carry a concealed firearm may carry a firearm permit badge. The badge shall be carried in such a manner that at all times when the badge is visible the private detective's firearm permit identification card issued pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection also shall be visible. The attorney general shall determine the size, design and other specifications of the badge. The words "licensed private detective" shall be stated clearly on the face of the badge. The cost of the badge shall be borne by the licensee. Whenever any licensee terminates such licensee's activities as a private detective, or such licensee's license has been suspended or revoked, such badge shall be surrendered within five days following such termination, suspension or revocation to the attorney general for cancellation. Every licensee possessing a valid firearm permit badge shall report to the attorney general any loss of the badge within 72 hours of the discovery of the loss.

(d) Any licensee granted a firearm permit shall present the permit identification card and firearm permit badge upon request by a law enforcement officer acting within the

officer's jurisdictional authority, or by a private person upon private property if the person owns or has legal control of the private property, to demonstrate the licensee's permit to carry a firearm. Every licensee possessing a valid firearm permit shall report to the attorney general any change of employment status, change of firearm or firearms to be carried, loss of identification card or change of personal or business address. Every licensee who discharges a firearm for any reason other than test firing, firearm training or target practice shall report the discharge to the attorney general within 24 hours, together with a written report giving full particulars and reason for such discharge.

(e) The attorney general shall revoke any firearm permit if the licensee's private detective license has been suspended or revoked. The attorney general may suspend or revoke any firearm permit if the licensee has used a firearm in a manner inconsistent with the lawful use of force or if the licensee can no longer demonstrate a need to carry a firearm, pursuant to subsection (a)(1). An order of suspension or revocation, and hearing thereon, shall be subject to the provisions of the Kansas administrative procedure act. The attorney general shall recall any suspended or revoked firearm permit identification card.

(f) A licensee to whom a firearm permit is granted under this section shall be deemed to have no greater justification in the use of force than a private person as prescribed by the Kansas criminal code. Nothing in this act shall be construed as limiting the civil liability of any such licensee with respect to the use of force.

(g) No firearm permit shall be issued to any:

(1) Organization;

(2) individual who has been declared, by any court of competent jurisdiction, to be incapacitated or mentally ill and has not been restored to capacity or mental health;
or

(3) individual who suffers from alcohol or narcotics addiction or dependence.

(h) A firearm permit issued under this act shall expire on December 31 of the year of its issuance, except that on and after July 1, 2004, a firearm permit issued under this act shall expire on the date of expiration of the licensee's private detective license. Renewal of any such firearm permit shall be made in a form and manner prescribed by the attorney general and subject to such conditions as required by rules and regulations adopted by the attorney general. Renewal of a firearm permit shall be based on a demonstrated continuing need to carry a firearm in accordance with subsection (a)(1).

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