Permitless Carry States

Alaska - Effective date for Permitless Carry: September 9, 2003 Any person 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in the State of Alaska without a permit.

Arizona - Effective date for Permitless Carry: July 29, 2010 Any person 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed firearm in the State of Arizona without a permit.

Arkansas - Effective date for Permitless Carry: Law passed August 16, 2013. Those in positions of authority in Arkansas could not agree on what the law actually allowed. Some stated it did allow Permitless Carry and others said it didn’t. Some local authorities said they would arrest those carrying without a permit. 10/17/15 - Court Ruling confirmed. Permitless Carry in Arkansas will never require a permit to carry a concealed firearm. Any person 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm or those 18 years of age or older who are Active Military, National Guard, Reserve or Honorably Discharged Veterans can carry a concealed handgun in Arkansas without a permit.

Idaho - (Limited) Effective date for Permitless Carry: July 1, 2016 additions to law July 1, 2019. Idaho Residents 18 and any active Military personnel who can legally possess a firearm. Active Military or Honorably discharged Veterans 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in Idaho without any type of permit/license. Idaho Non-Residents 18 or older who can legally possess a handgun can carry a concealed firearm without a permit/license only outside the confines of any incorporated Idaho city/town or everywhere while in a vehicle. Idaho honors all other states permit licenses.

Kentucky - Effective date for Permitless Carry: June 27, 2019 Any person 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in the State of Kentucky without a permit.

Maine - Effective date for Permitless Carry: October 12, 2015. Maine’s Permitless Carry applies to any person 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm. Active Military or Honorably Discharged Veterans 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun without a permit. Maine also honors permits/licenses in some other states that honor Maine’s permits/licenses. Maine residents 21 years of age or older who are lawfully engaged in hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, hiking, backpacking, farming, ranching, or other outdoor activity in which weapons are often carried for recreation or protection; no permit required. Maine Statute 252 § 2001-A

Montana - Effective date for Permitless Carry: September 15, 2015, Any person 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun without a permit but only within the boundaries of a city or town or the confines of a logging, lumbering, mining, farming, hunting, or ranching area, or anywhere a person is lawfully engaged in hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, hiking, backpacking, farming, ranching, or other outdoor activity in which weapons are often carried for recreation or protection, no permit required. Montana Statutes 45-8-316 through 45-8-317

Mississippi - Effective date for Permitless Carry: July 1, 2015 $500.00 Any person 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in the State of Mississippi without a permit. Mississippi Statutes § 97-37-1 & § 85-901

Missouri - Effective date for Permitless Carry: January 1, 2017 Any person who can legally possess a firearm and is 18 years of age or older can carry a concealed firearm in Missouri without a permit. Missouri Statute Title XXXVIII § 571.030

North Dakota - (Limited) Effective date for Permitless Carry: August, 1, 2017 North Dakota Permitless Carry only applies to residents of North Dakota 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm. They must be a resident for at least one year before they can carry a firearm. North Dakota residents 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in North Dakota as shown by their North Dakota Drivers Licenses or North Dakota State Issued ID. No Permitless Open Carry. North Dakota Statutes § 62-1-03-01 & § 62-1-04-02 & § 62-1-04-04

South Dakota - Effective date for Permitless Carry: July 1, 2019 Any person 18 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm can carry a concealed handgun in the State of South Dakota without a permit. South Dakota Statutes § 23-7-7

Wyoming - (Limited) Effective date for Permitless Carry: July 1, 2011 Wyoming’s Permitless Carry only applies to residents of Wyoming 21 years of age or older who can legally possess a firearm. Wyoming residents can carry a concealed handgun in all places in Wyoming that those with a Wyoming Permit can carry. Non-Residents visiting must have a permit/license Wyoming honors to legally carry concealed. Wyoming Statutes § 6-4-104

Notice: When carrying a concealed firearm in any state you must go by the Laws/Regulations on carrying firearms in that state. It is your responsibility to know those Laws/Regulations. If states restricts Permitless Carry to just their residents the listing states that. Active Military or Veterans carrying under that exception (Under 21) should not carry their military ID or if discharged their DD214. This listing only covers the carrying of a “Concealed Handgun.” Some of the listed states may allow the carrying of other weapons under their Permitless Carry statutes. All states listed above still issue permits to carry except Vermont which has never permitted a permit to carry. For more information on Permitless Carry and other state specific laws click on the states name for additional information that state with links to state resources.

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