



Mendocino County Sheriff's Office – Carry Concealed Weapon License

CCW REQUIREMENTS

California law requires carry concealed weapon license applicants to satisfy specific criteria prior to being considered for issuance of a license. The requirements are as follows:

- **Residency:** All applicants must provide proof that they are a resident of the County of Mendocino. Non-residents will be referred to the appropriate licensing agency.
- **Training:** The applicant must complete and show proof of successful completion from a Mendocino County Sheriff's Office approved Concealed Carry Course containing modules on safety, the law, and the applicant's ability to handle a firearm safely. The course shall be a minimum of 16 hours for the initial application, and 4 hours for renewals.
- **Good Character:** Applicants must attest to good character with respect to their ability to responsibly and safely carry and use a concealed weapon.
- Be free of criminal convictions that would disqualify you from carrying a concealed weapon. A background check will be conducted.

State and local laws do not prohibit an adult from having a concealed weapon in their home or place of business.

*** DISCLAIMER ***

No resident has the right to a license, nor is the Sheriff required to issue a license. By law, the Sheriff has the discretion to approve or deny CCW license applications as well as revoke licenses that have already been issued.