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## Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in applying for a State of California License to Carry Concealed Weapon.

Attached is an application packet that must be completed and returned with requested documents to the Merced County Sheriff's Department. **Applications are also available on-line at** <a href="https://www.merced.ca.us">www.merced.ca.us</a>, Merced County Sheriff website (click on C.C.W.). Granting of a CCW is the sole discretion of Sheriff Mark N. Pazin.

## LICENSE TO CARRY CONCEALED WEAPON APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Complete the application pursuant to the instructions therein. Twenty percent of the application fee (\$10.00) will be collected upon filing of the initial application. The balance of the fee (\$40.00) will be collected only upon issuance of your CCW permit. Please call Josette Torres, CCW Coordinator for an appointment (209) 385-7559.

<u>Please note</u>: CLASS & QUALIFICATION is not necessary prior to Sheriff's approval.

- 2. A background check is conducted on each applicant and the Sheriff shall review the application and supporting documents and may approve or deny application request.
- 3. Applicant will be notified upon approval or denial. California law dictates that notice be made to an applicant within 90 days of the application or within 30 days after receipt of the DOJ criminal background check, whichever is later.
- 4. The Live Scan will be conducted upon submittal of application and payment of fees, or as soon thereafter as possible. **Live scan fees are \$113.00** and payable to the Merced County Sheriff's Department by cash or check.

- 5. Upon processing and clearance of live scan by the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, you will be notified to call and schedule a final appointment for issuance of a License to Carry Concealed Weapon Permit.
  - A. A firearm's class approved by the Sheriff must be taken prior to issuance of a CCW permit and applicant must qualify with the gun(s) listed on your payment.
  - B. Applicant must agree to abide by specific restrictions and conditions as outlined by the Sheriff.
- 6. **Renewals**: Licenses are issued for a **two year period**. A firearm's class approved by the Sheriff must be taken prior to renewal of your CCW License. Licenses are renewed by appointment only. Please allow a few weeks to take the class, qualify and make an appointment prior to the expiration date on your license.
- 7. In accordance with California Government Code section 6250, as cited *in CBS v. Block* (1986) Cal.3d 646, information that you provide on your license application (including Section 7 Investigator's Interview Notes) and on the License to Carry Concealed Weapon is public information and must be disclosed to the public if requested. My intent for advising you of this fact, is to make you aware that the Merced County Sheriff's Department does not have the authority to withhold this information from members of the news media.

The following businesses have been approved to offer the CCW classes and qualification with your weapon(s). They are not a representative of, or employed by, the Merced County Sheriff's Department or any other laws enforcement agency.

Gunrunner Gerry or Sandy Mitchell, Instructors 2040 Yosemite Parkway Merced, CA 95340 (209) 723-3006	Falling Hammer Firearms Bill Martin, Instructor 835 Martin Luther King, Jr. Way Merced, CA 95340 (209) 726-3995
Hillside Range Jerry Bartholomew, Instructor 931 E. Pacheco Blvd. Los Banos, CA 93635 (209) 827-0270	Schell's Sport Shop Carl Schell, Instructor 2111 Geer Road, Suite 209 Turlock, CA 95382 (209) 634-5087
Valley Defense Consulting Inc. http://ww2.valleydefense.com Vince & Christie Bizzini, Instructors Modesto, CA 95358 (209) 552-5278	Sintex Security Jerry Sterner, Instructor 1748 Miles Ct., Ste. A Merced, CA 95340 (209) 723-9044

Valley Defense Consulting	Trident Firearms Academy
584 Hi Tech Parkway	P.O. Box 1319
Oakdale, CA 95361	Salida, CA 95368
(209) 552-5728	(209) 535-0077
	www.TridentFirearmsAcademy.com
Red Dot Firearms	Hammer Stryke Self-Reliance
663 E. Quincy Avenue	Training, Inc.
Fresno, CA 93720	5170 Echo Hill Drive
(559) 696-1072	Mariposa, CA 95338
	(209)-614-1718
	www.hammerstryke.com

There are several restrictions on carrying concealed firearms. For example, license holders are permitted to possess only one authorized concealed firearm on his or her person at any given time pursuant to the permit. You **do not need** a CCW permit to possess a legal firearm at your home or your place of business, unless otherwise prohibited by law. **You should have a legitimate reason to request a permit.** 

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Josette Torres, CCW Coordinator, (209) 385-7559.

Sincerely,

Mark N. Pazin Sheriff-Coroner

Attachments: Application Packet