

NATIONAL FORESTS & WILDERNESS AREAS

If you have obtained a valid Concealed Handgun License (CHL) you are allowed to carry your weapon onto National Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management areas, unless they are prohibited by specific order or because they are either a game refuge or wildlife preserve. In some cases the Forest Service can authorize you to carry, but it is your responsibility to check on restrictions where you plan to visit. Be aware that Ranger Stations and Visitor Centers in any National Forest are Federal Buildings with restrictions regarding carrying on the premise.

NATIONAL PARKS

Effective 12/08/09 Federal law now permits Concealed Handgun License holder to carry in national parks.

Actually, this change takes effect in February of 2010

www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/a081210c.html

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

36 CFR Part 2

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 27

RIN 1024-AD70

STATE FOREST LANDS

It is prohibited to possess and carry loaded firearms on State Forest lands that are posted as "Designated Recreation Areas". These areas may include campgrounds, camping areas, day use areas, trailheads, staging areas, boat launch sites, and any other areas posted by the Forester.

(OAR 629-0050)*

This is no longer law, nor enforceable.

*OAR= OREGON ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

<http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/banners/rules.htm>

RECIPROCITY

Your concealed handgun license is a license to carry in **Oregon**. Oregon has no formal agreement with other states recognizing their handgun licenses; however, a few other states will allow you to carry there. You must be licensed in Oregon to carry in Oregon. You must be a resident of the county where you apply.

Unless another state specifically states that they recognize an Oregon Concealed Handgun License (CHL) you cannot carry your weapon there, and you must adhere to the laws of the state you are visiting. There are some states that do not allow anyone to carry a concealed handgun and the consequences of being caught are serious; some cases may include jail time.

Multnomah County does allow Washington State Residents to apply for an Oregon CHL. The requirements are the same as for Oregonians. You will need a letter stating why you wish to carry a gun in Oregon. Oregon residents may also get Washington permits. These are licenses for each specific state and this does not mean you can show an Oregon license in Washington or vice versa.

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INFORMATION GUIDE FOR CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMITS

Protocols
&
Restrictions

LOCATIONS WHERE FIREARMS ARE PROHIBITED OR REGULATED

If you choose to possess a Concealed Handgun License in Oregon, you need to know the information contained in this pamphlet:

It is a Class A Misdemeanor if you are charged with "Unlawful Possession of a Firearm". You must carry your CHL whenever you carry a concealed handgun to avoid this. There are many places where firearm possession is regulated or prohibited. You need to be aware of the regulations **before** you go there.

ANY FEDERAL FACILITY

A Federal Facility is any building, or part of a building, that is owned or leased by the Federal Government, or where there are Federal Employees regularly engaged in the purpose of performing their official duties for the Federal Government. These facilities include, but are not limited to: Federal Courthouses, the Post Office, Social Security Offices, and Military Recruiting Offices. Other federal areas, such as military bases and posts, are controlled by post commanders. You may *not* carry a firearm there without their authorization.

PRIVATE BUSINESSES OR PRIVATE FACILITIES

Businesses can make it a condition that you not possess a firearm while being on their premises or in their facility. Most businesses will have this information posted, if it applies. It is in the Concealed Handgun License (CHL) holder's best interest to check before entering an establishment. You could be asked to leave the premises for carrying a concealed weapon. The business has the right to 'trespass' you. If that is the case, you might not be allowed to go back. If you return, you could be arrested and charged with a Class A Misdemeanor.

BASIC CONCEALED HANDGUN PROTOCOL

ALWAYS CARRY YOUR CHL WHEN YOU CARRY YOUR CONCEALED WEAPON. To insure that there is never any misunderstanding when you are armed, you should always be aware of your surroundings. Check for signs prohibiting the carrying of firearms on or in the premises. Common sense and knowledge of the law is the key to avoiding a misunderstanding or problem.

If you are stopped by a law enforcement officer while driving and armed, follow common sense rules:

The law does not require that you volunteer to the officer that you have a firearm and CHL, but it is prudent to do so. It is not in your best interest to have the officer be surprised or concerned when he/she discovers that you are armed and mistakes your intentions. You do not want to become a threat or target simply because you are armed.

You should immediately notify the officer when contacted, that you have a CHL and currently have a weapon on you. You should describe the weapon, give the location and tell them the status [loaded or unloaded].

Keep your hands visible, preferably on the steering wheel unless directed otherwise.

Follow the officer's instructions. You may or may not be asked to surrender your gun, depending on the circumstances of the stop. If you are asked to surrender your gun during the traffic stop, be certain to communicate clearly to the officer how you are going to present the gun, remembering to follow gun safety rules.

SCHOOLS

Oregon law currently allows persons with an Oregon Concealed Handgun License to carry a concealed weapon on school properties.

Individual schools may have a policy which may try to prohibit you from doing so. Contact the school to learn more about their individual policy.

You cannot be arrested for carrying, but to avoid conflict you should not take it on the property .

Opinion. Not law.

COURT FACILITIES

Wrong. Not ALL courtrooms.

You may not carry any weapon into any court facility (OR 166.370 (2)(a)). Violation of this law is a Class A Felony. A court facility is defined as a courthouse or any portion of any other building occupied by the Courts or occupied by personnel related to the operation of those courts, or in which activities related to the operation of those courts take place.

<-----This is correct. The rest is opinion.

INDIAN RESERVATIONS/ PROPERTY

Tribal Council governs all rules and regulations pertinent to their lands. Contact individual Tribal Officers for more information.

www.doi.gov/bia

AIRPORTS

Airports are under the jurisdiction of the Port Authority. The Portland Airport is located in Multnomah County, the city of Portland and the State of Oregon, but the Port of Portland is the Port Authority. They have their own firearm ordinance [3.8]. You may view this by going online to www.portofportland.com. There are certain areas of airplanes and airports where your Concealed Handgun License does not permit you to carry your firearm. The security checkpoint is one of them. If you have questions regarding areas that are off limits or transporting firearms in luggage, you need to check with their Transportation Security Administration.

This illegal rule was rescinded several years ago.