

Obtaining a Concealed Carry Firearms License (CCW) In the City of Sutter Creek

Obtaining a permit to carry a concealed firearm in the City of Sutter Creek is a fairly straightforward process. The basic requirements are:

1. Your permanent residence must be within the city limits of Sutter Creek.
2. Complete a California Department of Justice Standard Initial and Renewal Application for License to Carry a Concealed Weapon. These are available through the Sutter Creek Police Department or online through various entities. The form must be the currently approved California Department of Justice application. There is an application fee charged by the Sutter Creek Police Department due at the time of submission of the application. All applications turned in for approval require a form of legal, government issued identification with a picture.
3. Applicants must not have any record of felony convictions, domestic violence convictions, current restraining orders, or any other legal restrictions on the owning and carrying of a firearm. A background investigation will be performed on all CCW applicants by the City of Sutter Creek. Applicants may be disqualified for any number of reasons including but not limited to negative interactions with law enforcement, prior misuse of firearms, denial by other agencies, or holds by the Federal or State Departments of Justice. All applications will be reviewed by the Chief of Police and may require an interview with the Chief. All approvals are at the discretion of the Chief of Police.
4. Upon the approval of your application by the Chief of Police, you must complete a basic Concealed Carry training course with the firearm(s) you are requesting to carry with an instructor certified by the California Department of Justice and obtain the required certificate of training. This is generally an 8 to 16-hour course. You are permitted up to three handguns on a permit. Permits are good for two years at which time you will need to complete a re-certification course through an instructor, submit a new application, and request a renewal through the Sutter Creek Police Department.
5. Upon completion of your training course, you will need to complete a Live Scan fingerprint submission. Live Scan forms may be obtained from the Sutter Creek Police Department. All firearms you are requesting to be included on your permit must be presented to the Sutter Creek Police Department at that time for

verification of serial number(s). Live Scan prints may be completed at either the Amador County Sheriff's Office or the Jackson Police Department with an appointment. Live Scan printing fees and Department of Justice fees must be paid at that time.

The Live Scan results through the FBI and State Department of Justice are currently taking three to four months to complete. Applicants are not permitted to carry any concealed firearms until such time as they receive the actual certificate of carry signed by the Chief. Renewals can generally be processed in one to two weeks upon submission of the renewal application. Please allow adequate time for the renewal process before your permit expires. Expired permits are not valid for concealed carry in California. The necessary forms are available from the Sutter Creek Police Department front counter 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday through Thursday. Please call ahead of time to ensure that someone is available to help you with your request. Please contact the Sutter Creek Police Department should you have any questions regarding the process.