

**2332 LICENSES FOR CONCEALED PISTOLS**

2332.1 A person is eligible for issuance of a license to carry a concealed pistol (concealed carry license or license) only if the person:

- (a) Is twenty-one (21) years of age;
- (b) Meets all of the requirements for a person registering a firearm pursuant to the Firearms Control Regulations Act of 1975 (the Act), effective September 24, 1976 (D.C. Law 1-85; D.C. Official Code §§ 7-2501.01 *et seq.* (2012 Repl. & 2014 Supp.));
- (c) Possesses a pistol registered pursuant to the Act;
- (d) Does not currently suffer nor has suffered in the previous five (5) years from any mental illness or condition that creates a substantial risk that he or she is a danger to himself or herself or others; provided, that if the person no longer suffers such mental illness or condition, and that person has provided satisfactory documentation required under § 2337.3, then the Chief may determine that this requirement has been met;
- (e) Has completed a firearms training course, or combination of courses, conducted by an instructor (or instructors) certified by the Chief;
- (f) Has a bona fide residence or place of business:
  - (1) Within the District of Columbia;
  - (2) Within the United States and a license to carry a pistol concealed upon his or her person issued by the lawful authorities of any State or subdivision of the United States; or
  - (3) Within the United States and meets all registration and licensing requirements pursuant to the Act;
- (g) Has demonstrated to the Chief good reason to fear injury to his or her person or property or has any other proper reason for carrying a pistol; and
- (h) Is a suitable person to be so licensed.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking published at 62 DCR 9781 (July 17, 2015).

**2335 SUITABILITY TO OBTAIN A CONCEALED CARRY LICENSE**

2335.1 A person is suitable to obtain a concealed carry license if he or she:

- (a) Meets all of the requirements for a person registering a firearm pursuant to the Act;
- (b) Has completed a firearms training course, or combination of courses, conducted by an instructor (or instructors) certified by the Chief;
- (c) Is not presently an alcoholic, addict, or habitual user of a controlled dangerous substance, unless the habitual use of a controlled dangerous substance is under licensed medical direction;
- (d) Has not exhibited a propensity for violence or instability that may reasonably render the person's possession of a concealed pistol a danger to the person or another; and
- (e) Does not currently suffer nor has suffered in the previous five (5) years from any mental disorder, illness or condition that creates a substantial risk that he or she is a danger to himself or herself or others, or if the Chief has determined that the person is suitable based upon documentation provided by the person pursuant to § 2337.3.

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**2340 ISSUANCE OR DENIAL**

- 2340.1 The Chief shall issue a license to carry a concealed pistol or provide a written denial of the application within a reasonable time after receiving a completed application. A reasonable period of time shall normally be within ninety (90) days; however, the time may be extended by the Chief for an additional ninety (90) days where there is good cause for additional time to complete the investigation and the applicant is so notified in writing.
- 2340.2 A completed application shall satisfy all the requirements prescribed by the Chief including evidence that applicant has satisfied the firearms training requirements in § 2336.
- 2340.3 A written denial provided by the Chief shall contain the reasons the application was denied and a statement of the applicant's appeal rights.
- 2340.4 The Chief may limit the geographic area, circumstances, or times of the day, week, month, or year in which a license is valid or effective.
- 2340.5 Unless otherwise limited or revoked by the Chief pursuant to § 2341, a concealed carry license expires two (2) years from the date of issuance.

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**2341 REVOCATION, LIMITATION, AND SUMMARY  
SUSPENSION**

- 2341.1 The Chief may revoke a concealed carry license on a finding that the licensee:
- (1) No longer satisfies one or more of the concealed carry license qualifications set forth in the Act or any regulation authorized by the Act; or
  - (2) Failed to comply with one or more requirements or duties imposed upon the licensee by the Act or any regulation authorized by the Act.
- 2341.2 A concealed carry license may be limited, after its issuance, as described in § 2340.4, upon a finding by the Chief that such limitation is necessary to protect the health, safety, security, or welfare of the District and its residents.
- 2341.3 The Chief shall provide a written notice of revocation or limitation to a person whose license is revoked or limited. The written notice shall contain:
- (a) The reasons the license was revoked or limited; and
  - (b) A statement that the revocation or limitation will take effect unless the licensee requests an appeal to the Concealed Pistol Licensing Review Board (Board) no later than fifteen (15) days after the receipt of the notice of revocation or limitation.
- 2341.4 Unless a licensee has requested an appeal pursuant to § 2341.6(b), a licensee whose concealed carry license is revoked shall return the license to the Firearms Registration Section within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice of revocation.
- 2341.5 The Chief may summarily suspend or limit, without a hearing, a concealed carry license, when the Chief has determined that the conduct of the licensee presents an imminent danger to the health and safety of a person or the public.
- 2341.6 At the time of the summary suspension or limitation of a concealed carry license, the Chief shall provide the licensee with written notice stating:
- (a) The action that is being taken;
  - (b) The basis for the action; and
  - (c) The right of the licensee to request a hearing with the Board pursuant to § 2341.7.

- 2341.7 A licensee shall have the right to request a hearing by the Board within seventy-two (72) hours after service of notice of the summary suspension or limitation of the concealed carry license. The Board shall hold a hearing within seventy-two (72) hours after receipt of a timely request and shall issue a written decision within seventy-two (72) hours after the hearing.
- 2341.8 Upon receipt of a summary suspension notice issued pursuant to § 2341.6, the licensee shall immediately return his or her suspended license to the Chief.
- 2341.9 If the Board does not sustain a summary suspension, the suspended concealed carry license shall be returned to the licensee.

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**2342 APPEAL**

2342.1 With the exception of an appeal of a summary suspension or limitation of a license, a person whose original or renewal license application is denied or whose license is revoked or limited may submit a written request to the Board to review the decision of the Chief within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice of denial, revocation, or limitation.

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