

Firearms Permit Information

Training Level	NRA Basic Pistol Course or Other State Approved Course			
	CE/FS Firearms Safety Training			
	No Training			
Certificate*	Ammunition Certificate	Eligibility Certificate to Purchase Long Guns	Eligibility Certificate to Purchase Pistols and Revolvers	Permit to Carry Pistol or Revolver
What can you do?	Purchase ammunition	Purchase ammunition Purchase rifle Purchase shotgun	Purchase ammunition Purchase rifle Purchase shotgun Purchase pistol Purchase revolver	Purchase ammunition Purchase rifle Purchase shotgun Purchase pistol Purchase revolver Carry pistol or revolver
Approximate Time frame^	90 Days	90 Days	90 Days	3-6 Months

*For applications, call the State Police Special Licensing and Firearms Unit at 860-685-8290.

^Time frames vary depending on state processing times.

Visit <https://portal.ct.gov/DESPP> for more information.

What are the different firearms-related certificates in Connecticut?

- 1) Ammunition Certificate: Allows the purchase of ammunition.**
- 2) Eligibility Certificate to Purchase Long Guns: Allows purchase of shotguns, rifles, and ammunition. Takes about 90 days.**
- 3) Eligibility Certificate to Purchase Pistols or Revolvers: Allows purchase of pistols, revolvers, shotguns, rifles, and ammunition. Takes about 90 days.**
- 4) Permit to Carry Pistol or Revolver: Covers all other certificates and allows the purchase of all firearms and ammunition listed above. This permits carrying pistols and revolvers, where legal, in Connecticut. May take 3-6 months.**
 - Time frames vary depending on state processing times**
 - Visit <https://portal.ct.gov/DESPP> for more information about firearms licensing**

Note: The Eligibility Certificate to Purchase Long Guns requires proof that you have completed the DEEP Firearms Safety Course (or equivalent). You must provide a copy of your course completion certificate with your application materials. You do not need to fill in "State Instructors Name and ID Number". You may print a copy of your DEEP course completion certificate through the online licensing website.

