

Will the CCW licensing go away?

No. If you wish to get or keep an Ohio CCW license, you can still do so. For those of you who travel outside of Ohio, you may want to have or keep a valid CCW license. This will enable you to carry legally in the states Ohio has reciprocity with. At this point the license becomes optional for those who wish to have a permit.

Does this in any way change the application process?

No. Constitutional Carry does not change anything about the way in which you apply for a CCW license. The application process (including training, application, and fees) remain the same.

After applying for an Ohio CCW Permit I was denied. Can I carry without a license?

No. There are no changes on who can legally carry a concealed handgun in the State of Ohio. Some of the guidelines are; you must be a “qualifying” adult, which means you have to be at least 21 years of age, you are not prohibited from possessing a firearm under state or federal law, and you are not a fugitive from justice, etc. For more complete information, the Ohio Attorney General has a concealed carry manual available at the Ohio Attorney General’s website.

Will this change how you can transport guns in your vehicle?

No. You will be able to carry a concealed handgun in your car without a CCW License. The guns can be on your person, can be loaded, they do not have to be visible, and can be stored anywhere in your vehicle.

How does this effect transporting long guns?

Nothing changes for transporting long guns. They must be separated, unloaded, and in closed containers or compartments, in your trunk or in an area not accessible without leaving your vehicle.

Can I carry in a school zone?

No. Not without a valid CCW permit. Per federal law you still need a CCW Permit to carry concealed while in your vehicle within a school zone. If you leave your vehicle, you must secure your handgun and lock your vehicle.

What other public places can I carry?

Nothing changes about where you can or cannot carry concealed. Areas that are currently a no-carry zone will remain a no-carry zone. Property owners will be able to post no-gun signs if they choose to.

Will I be able to carry in other states?

That is dependent on the laws of other states, Ohio laws apply to Ohio only. Whatever state you are traveling through, you will need to abide by their state laws.

As a non-resident can I carry concealed without a CCW permit?

Yes. There are no residency requirements. If you are a “qualifying” adult you may carry with or without a license, regardless of what state you live in.

Can I carry in a company car?

Constitutional carry does not change your right to carry or store your handgun in your personally owned car or truck on company property. Your employer may have different rules about having handguns in company owned vehicles.