

## North Carolina Conceal Carry Firearms Instructor Frequently Asked Questions

### 1. What are the requirements for becoming a Conceal Carry Firearms Instructor in North Carolina?

North Carolina General Statute 14-415.12 (a) (4) designates the North Carolina Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission as the agency responsible for the certification of instructors. In order to ensure a minimum level of knowledge and proficiency for prospective conceal carry applicants to lawfully carry a concealed firearm, the Commission adopted North Carolina Administrative Code Title 12: 09F .0104 to establish the standards for instructor qualification. The code can be accessed at: [Instructor Qualifications](#).

#### 12 NCAC 09F .0104 INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATIONS

- a) Instructors shall meet the following qualifications for approval to deliver the "Concealed Carry Handgun Training" course:
- (1) the instructor shall hold one of the following certifications:
    - (a) "Specific Instructor Certification-Firearms" issued by the Commission;
    - (b) Private Protective Services Firearms Trainer Certification; or
    - (c) "Firearms Instructor Certification" in Personal Protection, Basic Pistol, or Police Firearms issued by the National Rifle Association;
  - (2) the instructor shall hold a certificate issued by the North Carolina Justice Academy showing successful completion of the course on "Laws Governing Concealed Handgun and Use of Deadly Force;"
  - (3) the instructor shall be eligible to receive or possess a firearm under Federal and North Carolina State Law; and
- b) The instructor shall notify the Criminal Justice Standards Division of all court orders, domestic violence orders of protection, and criminal offenses for which the instructor is charged which would prohibit the instructor from being eligible to receive or possess a firearm under Federal and North Carolina State Law. The notifications required under this Paragraph must be in writing, must specify the nature of the offense, the court in which the case is being handled, the date of arrest, court order, domestic violence order of protection or criminal charge. The notification required under this Paragraph must be received by the Criminal Justice Standards Division within 10 days of the date of the court order, domestic violence order of protection, arrest or criminal charge.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 14-415.12; Temporary Adoption Eff. November 1, 1995; Eff. May 1, 1996; Amended Eff. September 1, 2005; May 1, 2004.*

### 2. How do I become a Conceal Carry Instructor?

The requirements to become a Conceal Carry Instructor are:

Proof that the applicant holds current certification "Firearms Instructor Certification" in one of the following courses: NRA Basic Pistol, NRA Police Firearms Course, NRA Personal Protection, North Carolina Private Protection Service, North Carolina Criminal Justice Standards, Law

Enforcement, or the Department of Correction.

**AND**

You must successfully complete the North Carolina Justice Academy's course on "Laws Governing Concealed Handgun and the Use of Deadly Force." This is a five hour course that is delivered at the North Carolina Justice Academy campus in Salemburg, NC or at the West Campus in Edneyville, NC.

Applications and fees are then submitted to the NC Criminal Justice Education and Training Standards Commission for your certification.

3. *Who are the points of contact for specific information on becoming an Instructor?*

NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards Division:  
P.O. Drawer149, Raleigh, NC 27602, Telephone: 919-661-5980

4. *When and where does the NRA offer their instructor courses?*

For complete information on NRA courses, please contact them direct at  
1-800-672-3888

5. *When and where does the NC Justice Academy offer the "Laws Governing Concealed Carry and the Use of Deadly Force Course?"*

Currently, the NC Justice Academy offers the "Laws Governing Concealed Carry and the Use of Deadly Force Course" approximately once a month. Course dates are listed in our course calendar and through the Acadis Training Portal. The class typically runs from 1-6pm.

The course costs are \$125.00. The fees include registration and two student notebooks.

Register on our [North Carolina Justice Academy Training Portal](#). After signing in to the portal, you can view ALL available classes. If you don't have a portal account, instructions for creating one are located [here](#).

\*\*If you are not attending through an agency or department choose my "agency not listed" then complete your registration. Student letters are emailed approximately 30 days before the course date to students with a status of registered.

The course is currently held at both the East Campus in Salemburg, NC and the West Campus in Edneyville, NC – please see the course schedule through the Acadis Training Portal.

6. *Once I have met all of the requirements, where/how do I get my instructor certification?*

Once all the requirements have been met, you must submit the application and fees to the NC Criminal Justice Training and Standards Division for your certification.

You can access the application at:

<http://www.ncdoj.gov/About-DOJ/Law-Enforcement-Training-and-Standards/Criminal-Justice-Education-and-Training-Standards/Forms-and-Publications.aspx>

7. *Where can I get copies of the NC “Model Course” Training Manual for Conceal Carry?*

The Model Course notebook titled “Conceal Carry Handgun Training” and the “Laws Governing Concealed Carry” notebooks can be purchased at the Bookstore of The North Carolina Justice Academy.

You can contact the Academy’s Bookstore at 910-525-4151 or visit the web at:

<http://ncja.ncdoj.gov/NCJABookstore.aspx>.

8. *Where can I obtain more information about North Carolina Firearms Laws?*

For more information regarding NC Firearms Laws, visit the web at:

[North Carolina Firearms Publication – Effective October 2013](#) or  
[NC Department of Justice](#) or [NCJA Firearms](#)