

5-09/380.05 - Policy Statement

No Carrying a Concealed Weapon License (CCW) should be granted merely for the personal convenience of the applicant. Each application shall be individually reviewed for good cause.

5-09/380.10 - Application Requests

Any person may obtain the California Department of Justice Bureau of Firearm's Standard Initial and Renewal Application for License to Carry a Concealed Weapon (form BOF 4012 revised 11/2012) from any station, the concerned Assistant Sheriff, or Undersheriff.

Each applicant must demonstrate proof of residence and good character. In addition, good cause for the purposes of Penal Code section 26150 shall exist only if the following prevails:

- Sufficient evidence of potential danger to life or of great bodily harm to the applicant, his or her spouse or dependent child, which cannot be adequately dealt with by existing law enforcement resources and which danger cannot be reasonably avoided by alternative measures, and which danger would be significantly mitigated by the applicant's carrying of a concealed firearm.

With respect to certain law enforcement personnel who are not "peace officers" as defined by the California Penal Code, the Sheriff may, but is not compelled to, find that such persons demonstrate the existence of prima facie good cause.

Only residents of Los Angeles County are eligible for a Standard CCW. A non-resident of Los Angeles County may be eligible for a 90 Day (Employment) CCW.

If the applicant resides in an incorporated city not policed by this Department, they must apply to the chief of police of their city of residence for a Carrying a Concealed Weapon License (CCW) and have such application acted upon. Within 60 days after a denial of such application, such city resident may file a separate application with the Sheriff's Department, attaching a copy of the Letter of Denial by the chief of police.