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Athens, Tennessee

How to Get a Concealed Gun Permit

You have probably heard that as of January 1st Tennessee has a new Concealed Handgun Carry Permit that is cheaper and easier to get than the former Handgun permit, which is now known as the Enhanced Handgun Carry Permit. Morning Fax editor Bob Ketchersid recently went through the procedures to obtain the new permit and has some tips to make it easier for you to do the same thing.

There are three steps.

- You must take a 90-minute online video course and score at least 70 on a test at the conclusion of the video. There are currently 10 vendors offering the course Bob used the Clarksville Guns and Archery course. The cost was \$39. The course is two hours long, but does not have be done all at once. After you finish the course and pass the exam, you can print out a certificate of completion.
- Take that certificate, along with your drivers license and a certified copy of your birth certificate to the Tennessee Drivers License Center on Congress Parkway. Turn right at the front entrance and you'll see a machine with a touch screen. Enter the reason for your visit on the screen and it will print out a number. Then have a seat and expect to wait for 45 minutes or so until your number is called. You should get to the Drivers License Center no later than 3:30 or 3:45 p.m.

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More on Getting a Gun Permit

If you have the necessary papers with you, it will take only a few minutes to sign a couple of forms, one of which asks you to check "yes" or "no" to a variety of questions which could disqualify you from getting a carry permit. Then you will have your photo taken. Pay \$65--cash or credit card only. No checks are accepted. 3. The next step is to get fingerprinted. The attendant will give you a form with the words "IdenttoGO" at the top. There is also a Service Code and a website. You will need to access the website and when it opens, click on the tab on the extreme left labeled "Schedule a new appointment." Just follow the instructions and you will be able to schedule a day and time to be fingerprinted. In Athens, this takes place at the AIM Mail Center next to Save-a-Lot on S. White Street. There is no cost since that is included in the \$65 you paid at the Drivers License Center. You must bring the form, your drivers license, and two other pieces of identification with your address on them, such as a current utility bill, current bank account, or vehicle registration or title. The process should not take more than about 10 minutes. AIM will send the fingerprints off to the FBI so they can check your police record. If all is well, you should receive your handgun carry permit by mail in about 30 days. The entire cost of obtaining the new Concealed Handgun Carry Permit will be approximately \$105.00 Once you receive the permit, you will be allowed to carry a handgun, but it must be concealed. (The Enhanced permit allows open carry)

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Athens, Tennessee

Obituaries

- David "Dee" Winslow Jackson, age 83, of Etowah, died last Friday at his residence. He had worked for Cleveland Tire Company for 40 years. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p.m. at M.D. Dotson & Sons Funeral Home of Athens, with visitation from noon to 1 p.m. at the funeral home.
- **Hugh Anderson Murphy**, age 70, of Athens, died Tuesday at his residence. He was a Vietnam veteran with the U.S. Army and was retired from Mayfield's. Funeral services will be 7 p.m. Thursday at Ziegler Funeral Home, with visitation 5 - 7 p.m.
- Mark "Iron" Hart, age 69, of Etowah, died Wednesday, January 1st. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and U.S. Marine Corp. The family will receive friends from noon to 2 p.m. on Saturday at Bordwine Funeral Home of Etowah.

COMMUNITY NEWS YOU CAN USE:

Clarification: It has come to our attention that the last name of the family of the first baby born in 2020 at Starr Regional Medical Center is not Radner. Instead, that is the middle name of the new baby, Mary Radner. Her parents are Ashton and Erick, and her big sister is Britain. The Morning Fax has independently confirmed that the family's last name is Innis. Erick Innis tells us he and his wife are both teachers at McMinn High School. Erick teaches biology and was named Tennessee Science Teacher of the Year in 2017. Aston teaches algebra and is an administrator.

✓ The American Job Center Career Coach Bus will be at the Etowah Carnegie Library next Monday, January 13th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Assistance with job searching, referral letters, etc., will be provided

The Sandhill Cranes Are Coming

The 29th edition of the annual Tennessee Sandhill Crane Festival is set for January 18th-19th (Saturday-Sunday) at the Hiwassee Refuge and Birchwood Community Center. The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency is the primary sponsor for the festival, which is a celebration of the thousands of sand hill canes that migrate through or spend the winter on and around

the Hiwassee Refuge in Birchwood. Free shuttle service will be available from the Birchwood Community Center to the Hiwassee Refuge and Cherokee Removal Memorial Park each day beginning at 8 a.m. The final shuttle will leave the refuge at 4 p.m. each day. Breakfast will be able for purchase at the community center



each day beginning at 7 a.m. Lunch will also be available. Music and special programs will be taking place throughout each day. The nearby Cherokee Removal Memorial will feature Native American folklore specialists. (Photo courtesy of TWRA)

TODAY IN HISTORY - JANUARY 8th

- 1815 The last major engagement of the War of 1812 came to an end as U.S. forces defeated the British in the Battle of New Orleans, not having gotten word of the signing of a peace treaty.
- **1912 -** The African National Congress was founded in Bloemfontein, South Africa.
- 1918 President Woodrow Wilson outlined his Fourteen Points for lasting peace after World War I. Mississippi became the first state to ratify the 18th Amendment to the Constitution, which established Prohibition.
- 1935 Rock-and-roll legend Elvis Presley was born in Tupelo, Mississippi.

 1968 The Otis Redding single "Sittin' On The Dock of the Bay" was released on the Volt label almost a month after the singer's death in a plane crash.
- 1975 Judge John J. Sirica ordered the early release from prison of Watergate figures John W. Dean III, Herbert W. Kalmbach and Jeb Stuart Magruder. Democrat Ella Grasso was sworn in as Connecticut's first female governor.
- 1982 American Telephone and Telegraph settled the Justice Department's antitrust lawsuit against it by agreeing to divest itself of the 22 Bell System companies.
- **1987** For the first time, the Dow Jones industrial average closed above 2,000, ending the day at 2,002.25.
- **1998** Ramzi Yousef, the mastermind of the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, was sentenced in New York to life in prison without the possibility of parole.
- **2004** A U.S. Black Hawk medivac helicopter crashed near Fallujah, Irag, killing all nine soldiers aboard.
- 2008 Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton powered to victory in New Hampshire's 2008 Democratic primary in a startling upset, defeating Sen. Barack Obama and resurrecting her bid for the White House; Sen. John McCain defeated his Republican rivals to move back into contention for the GOP nomination.
- 2011 U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords, D-Ariz., was shot and critically wounded when a gunman opened fire as the congresswoman met with constituents in Tucson; six people were killed, 12 others also injured. The gunman was sentenced in November 2012 to seven consecutive life sentences, plus 140 years.