



## You've passed your Handgun Safety Class! What's Next?

To continue your Handgun Carry Permit process/application, next you must visit a full service Driver License Station [see link below]. You will need to take these items with you:

- Proof of citizenship or lawful residency [see link below].
- Application number or completion certificate from your Handgun Safety Class.
- Payment in cash, credit card, money order, or certified check (no personal checks)

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will complete an application form, prove citizenship, then have your picture taken and your electronic signature captured. Once this is done, you will be given written instructions on fingerprint registration. You may either register online or by telephone; when registering you will be required to schedule your appointment time and location. You must be fingerprinted after your visit to the DMV, even if you have been fingerprinted in the past and have top level security clearance. The cost of the fingerprinting is already included in the permit fee.

After your fingerprints have been submitted, you simply wait for your permit to arrive in the mail. Please allow (30) days before you check on the status of your application.

For full information, visit <https://www.tn.gov/safety/handgunmail.html>

### WHILE YOU WAIT

DO NOT carry a handgun on your person until your permit is in your possession. Then, the permit must always be in your possession when you carry. It is your responsibility to keep your address current with the TN Department of Safety & Homeland Security. Renewal notices are mailed as a courtesy; however, you are responsible for renewal before your permit expires.

A permit to carry a handgun is not a license to use deadly force. With a permit to carry a handgun comes an awesome responsibility. You are legally and financially responsible for the bullet and the damage it causes.

**Always be aware of your target, what's behind it, and what's beyond it!**