



Kearny Police Department

FIREARMS INVESTIGATIONS UNIT

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Procedure for Firearms Purchaser Identification Card and Permit to Purchase a Handgun

- 1) Visit the NJ State Police FARS website (www.njportal.com/NJSP/fars) to begin the process.
- 2) Prior to starting the application, you are required to complete an approved course of instruction in the lawful and safe handling of firearms as well as safe storage.
- 3) The application will ask you for an ORI number. The ORI Number for the Town of Kearny is NJ0090700. *Please ensure that you enter the ORI number correctly. An incorrect ORI will require you to re-apply and pay for the process again. A refund cannot be issued.
- 4) Fingerprints:
 - a. If you have never been fingerprinted before for firearms purposes, you must schedule an appointment with Identogo (www.identogo.com).
 - b. If you have been fingerprinted before for firearms purposes, you will need to complete the 212A Form. You will need your SBI number for the form which can be located on your Firearms Purchaser Identification Card.
- 5) You must enter two e-mail addresses for reputable references that are not family members. An e-mail will be automatically sent to them by FARS. Incomplete reference feedbacks will delay the processing of your application.
- 6) If you are an initial applicant, you are required to upload a clear passport style photograph with an all white background.
- 7) Once your application has been submitted, a member of this unit will contact you via the e-mail address you provided. The e-mail will instruct you on how to make payment for the fees associated with your application.
 - a. Firearms Purchaser Identification Card Fee: \$50.00
 - b. Permit to Purchase a Handgun Fee: \$25.00 each
- 8) If your application is approved, you will receive an approval e-mail which will instruct you on how to access your electronic Firearms Purchaser Identification Card and E-Permit to Purchase a Handgun.
- 9) It is important to note that your background investigation will not be started until payment is received and you have had your fingerprints taken (if required). Failure to either make payment and/or have your fingerprints submitted within 90 days of the submission of your application will result in your application to be withdrawn.
- 10) Expiration dates:
 - a. Any Firearms Purchaser Identification Card issued after 10/25/2022 shall expire during the tenth calendar year following the date of issuance.
 - b. Any Permit to Purchase a Handgun will automatically renew itself for up to a period of 6 months following the date of issuance.

Please visit the New Jersey State Police website for further information: www.nj.gov/njsp/firearms/index.shtml