

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

and

The State of Florida

Concerning Handgun License Reciprocity for Concealed Carry

This Reciprocity Agreement is intended to amend and supersede the original agreement entered into between the State of Florida and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania on September 21, 2001.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Reciprocity Agreement is to extend reciprocal concealed firearm carry permit/license privileges to the residents of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has the authority to issue a License to Carry a Firearm pursuant to 18 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Annotated § 6109; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida has the authority to issue a Concealed Handgun License pursuant to Florida Statute § 790.01; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has made such affirmative determination with respect to the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is authorized, pursuant to Florida Statute § 790.015, to recognize the validity of a permit to carry a concealed handgun issued by another state; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is authorized, pursuant to 18 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes Annotated § 6109(k), to enter into reciprocity agreements with other states providing for the mutual recognition of each state's license to carry a firearm; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has determined that the State of Florida meets the requirements for reciprocity with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Handgun License reciprocity between Florida and Pennsylvania is thus supported by the laws of both states;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall give full faith and credit to a valid Concealed Handgun License issued by the State of Florida to legal residents of the State of Florida; and

2. The State of Florida shall consider holders of a valid Concealed Handgun License issued by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to be concealed handgun permittees in Florida as required by Florida Statute § 790.015; and
3. Persons carrying a concealed firearm pursuant to this Memorandum of Agreement shall comply with all applicable concealed carry laws, rules and regulations of the respective states, including, but not limited to, age requirements and restrictions regarding the type of firearms that may be carried; and
4. The State of Florida and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will inform each other of any changes to their respective weapons statutes that may affect the eligibility of the recognition granted by each state pursuant to this Memorandum of Agreement.
5. This Reciprocity Agreement shall become effective February 1, 2013.

This Memorandum of Agreement becomes effective on the date of the final signature and shall continue in effect unless modified by mutual written consent, or terminated by either state upon thirty (30) days' written notice. This document is not intended to limit or restrict the statutory authority or jurisdiction of either state.

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Director, Division of Licensing
Florida Department of Agriculture and
Consumer Services

DATE February 1, 2013

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DATE Feb. 4, 2013