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IMPORTING FIREARMS IN GUAM



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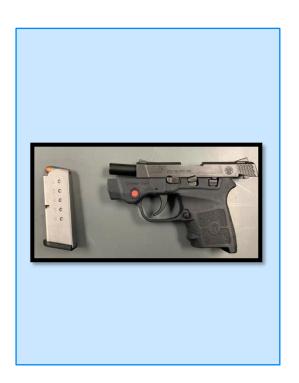
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FIREARMS IN GUAM

'2019 Guam Statutes Title 10 - Health & Safety Division 3 - Public Safety Chapter 60 – Firearms'

Before deciding to bring your firearms with you, consider local regulations on prohibited firearms and do extensive research on the legalities and costs associated to this process. The below <u>excerpt</u> reports the current statute of regulations in matter of forbidden firearms on the island:



§ 60102. Ownership, etc., of Certain Firearms Prohibited. The manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade, gift, transfer or acquisition of any machine guns, sub-machine guns, automatic rifles or any other firearm not a rifle having a barrel length of sixteen (16) inches or greater or not a shotgun having a barrel length of eighteen (18) inches or greater or a revolver or pistol having a barrel length of more than twelve (12) inches is prohibited. Mufflers, silencers or devices for deadening the sound of discharged firearms are also prohibited. Any person violating this Section shall be guilty of a felony which shall be punishable for a term of imprisonment of not less than three (3) years and a fine of not less than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000). Imposition of sentence shall not be suspended and the offender shall not be eligible for parole nor work release until the term of imprisonment prescribed herein has been completed nor may probation be imposed in lieu of this portion of the offender's sentence. Provided, however, that in the case of an offender not previously convicted of a felony, the court may sentence the offender to not more than two (2) years imprisonment and the provisions of this Section prohibiting probation, suspension, parole or work release shall not be applicable to such offender. SOURCE: GC § 8901, as amended by P.L. 14-140.

'If you're flying your firearm(s) with you...'

- Prior to arrival at the airport for departure, be sure to check in with your airline and the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to ensure you are conforming to all laws and regulations concerning firearms at airports and onboard aircraft
- Upon arrival to Guam, you must declare your firearm(s) to Customs; once your firearms are inspected by Guam Customs officials, you will be provided with the paperwork necessary to complete registration with the Guam Police Department.
- When the Customs paperwork is received, you have **30** calendar days to complete the registration process. Failure to do so within this timeframe could result in felony weapons charges under Guam criminal law.
- A background check taking up to 10 working days is part of the registration process. It is essential you begin this registration process immediately!

'If you're packing your firearm(s) with your Household Goods (HHGs) shipment...'

- Upon the arrival of your HHGs shipment that has been properly documented to contain a firearm(s), the entire HHGs shipment must be placed on hold and stored in a CFS (Container Freight Station) facility until the firearm(s) are properly cleared by Guam Customs.
- For a firearm(s) to be properly cleared, the specified member is notified of the shipment arrival and given directions to meet a Guam Customs agent at the CFS facility where their HHGs are secured.
- The member's HHGs will be unpacked until the firearms are located and properly documented.
- Once located, cleared and properly documented by Guam customs, the member will then take possession of their firearm(s).
- The member will have 30 days to register their firearm(s) after taking possession of them. Failure to do so will result in severe penalties, including jail time and monetary fines imposed by Guam's Attorney General.

FIREARMS REGISTRATION PROCESS

'There are several steps involved in the registration process. It is important that you keep yourself on top of the process at all times'

I. Obtain a Firearm ID (FAID)

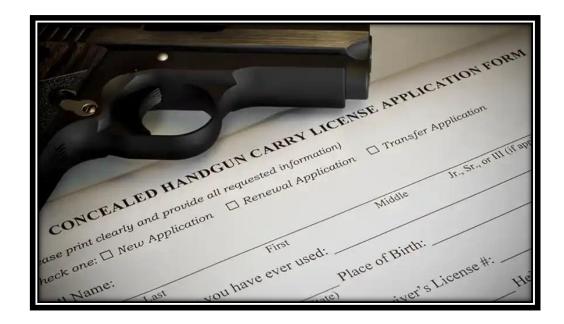
- MUST be a U.S. citizen;
- Complete the Guam Firearms ID Application (<u>concealed application</u> or <u>non</u> <u>concealed application</u>);
- Provide valid form of identification:
 - Certified Birth Certificate with a Photo ID Card AND a Social Security Card; OR
 - A valid U.S. passport AND a Social Security Card, OR
 - A Naturalization certificate AND a Social Security Card.
- Provide a \$47.00 Money Order or Cashier's Check (ONLY!) made payable to the "Superior Court of Guam". This fee is for the FBI Background Check;
- Complete two (2) fingerprint cards AND must be filled out neatly and in BLACK INK ONLY. Fingerprint processing will be administered by the Guam Police Department Records and ID Section. There is a \$34.00 USC fee for fingerprinting.
- \$43.00 USC Application fee due upon the arrival of approved FBI results.



Schedule of Fees			
Firearm(s) ID Application (FAID)	\$124 total \$47 FBI Background Check \$34 Fingerprints fee \$43 Application fee		
Registration	\$49 per firearm \$40 Application fee \$9 Safety check fee		

2. Register your Firearm(s) with Guam Police Department (GPD)

- Present the Bill of Landing from your movers;
 - OR Bill of Sale;
 - OR Certificate of Ownership;
 - OR Notarized documentation containing description of firearm(s).
- Customs declaration form; AND
- Your valid Firearms ID (FAID); AND
- A safety inspection form issued by GPD Armory; AND
- Payment of \$49.00 (Cash or On-Island Check includes \$9.00 Inspection Fee payable to "Treasure of Guam") per firearm.
- NOTE: as a member of the U.S. Armed Services or Department of Defense civilian, an *official certified copy of your transfer orders verifying ownership* or a *sworn affidavit certifying ownership from your command's legal office* may be used in lieu of a Certificate of Ownership or sales receipt.
- NOTE: Upon completion of your firearm inspection at the GPD Armory, <u>DO NOT</u> bring your firearms into the Records & ID section.



Bringing your Firearm(s) on Naval Base Guam (NBG)

Bringing and storing firearms on Naval Base Guam (NBG) must be done in accordance with NAVBASEGUAMINST 5530.6B. To bring firearms on base while awaiting the disposition of the Guam registration process, you must complete the following steps:

- Declare that you have personal firearms at the gate upon initial entry. You should ensure your firearms are not loaded and inaccessible when entering. You will be escorted or directed to proceed to the NBG Armory (directions will be provided).
- Complete the required paperwork with NBG Armory personnel; you will be provided with receipts for all stored personal firearms.
- You will be unable to retrieve these until you have your Guam Firearm ID Card in hand. Once you have your ID you may return to the NBG Armory to retrieve your firearms in order to get them inspected by the GPD Armory.
- ✓ After you have been issued individual registration cards for each firearm, you will need to **return** to the NBG Armory to finalize documentation.
- ✓ At this point you may store your firearms in base housing in a locked container or with proper trigger/chamber locking mechanisms.
- Firearms may not be stored in unaccompanied housing or personal vehicles. Refer to NAVBASEGUAMINST 5530.6B and housing policy for detailed storage requirements. The Armory will also issue you an Authorization to Transport Personal Weapons. The procedures contained within must be strictly followed at all times when transporting firearms on and off the base.

Helpful Contact Information

Guam Police Department Records and ID Office:

International Trade Center (ITC) building 590 South Marine Corps Drive Ste 131 1st Floor Tamuning, GU 96913 Phone: 671-475-8500/8506/0049 Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. M – F

GPD Armory

259 E T Calvo Parkway, Tamuning, 96913, Guam 96913 Phone 671-475-8498 Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. M – F