

10 AN ACT CONCERNING  
20 **Handgun Permits - Concealed Carry**

30 FOR the purpose of allowing law abiding citizens to carry a concealed handgun for personal defense.

40 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
50 Article - Public Safety  
60 Section 5-306 (a) and (b)  
70 Annotated Code of Maryland (2007)

80 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE MARYLAND STUDENT LEGISLATURE, That the laws of Maryland  
90 read as follows:

100 Article – Public Safety- Handgun Permits  
110 5-306. Qualifications for permit.

120 (a) In general.-

130 Subject to subsection (b) of this section, the Secretary shall issue a permit within a reasonable time to a  
140 person who the Secretary finds:

150 (1) is an adult;

160 (2) (i) has not been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor for which a sentence of imprisonment for  
170 more than 1 year has been imposed; or

180 (ii) if convicted of a crime described in item (i) of this item, has been pardoned or has been  
190 granted relief under 18 U.S.C. § 925(c);

200 (3) has not been convicted of a crime involving the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled  
210 dangerous substance;

220 (4) is not presently an alcoholic, addict, or habitual user of a controlled dangerous substance unless the  
230 habitual use of the controlled dangerous substance is under legitimate medical direction; and

240 (5) based on an investigation:

250 (i) has not exhibited a propensity for violence or instability that may reasonably render the  
260 person's possession of a handgun a danger to the person or to another; and

270 (ii) has good and substantial reason to wear, carry, or transport a handgun, such as a finding that  
280 the permit is necessary as a reasonable precaution against apprehended danger.

290 (b) Applicant under age of 30 25 years.-

300 An applicant under the age of 30 25 years is qualified only if the Secretary finds that the applicant has not  
310 been:

320 (1) committed to a detention, training, or correctional institution for juveniles for longer than 10 year after  
330 an adjudication of delinquency by a juvenile court; or

340 (2) adjudicated delinquent by a juvenile court for:

350 (i) an act that would be a crime of violence if committed by an adult;

360 (ii) an act that would be a felony in this State if committed by an adult; or

370 (iii) an act that would be a misdemeanor in this State that carries a statutory penalty of more than  
380 2 years if committed by an adult.

390 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007

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