



Approved Firearms Rosters

Massachusetts requires that all firearms (handguns) pass testing and have certain safety devices before they can be sold by a licensed firearms dealer. Once they pass, they can be placed on the *Approved Firearms Roster*. But that is not enough! The Attorney General's office developed its own set of requirements as well, thus there are multiple hurdles to selling firearms (handguns) in the Commonwealth. This only applies to transfers by a dealer, not individuals. In addition to a firearms (handgun) roster, there are several others.

- Approved Firearms Roster: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/approved-firearms-roster-7/download>
- Large Capacity Firearms Roster: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/large-capacity-firearms-roster/download>
- Formal Target Shooting Roster: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/formal-target-shooting-roster-7/download>
- Olympic Competition : <https://www.mass.gov/doc/olympic-competition-firearms-roster/download>

Change of Address

Massachusetts requires that licensees notify the Firearms Record Bureau, the original licensing authority (local police department) and the licensing authority at the new address when moving. This notification is accomplished using a form (Found at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/address-change-form-2/download>) which has to be sent by certified mail to the three agencies. This is required even if the move is between apartments in the same building. Failure to do this can prevent license renewal & penalties.

Assault Weapons Ban

Massachusetts enacted an Assault Weapons Ban (AWB) which is a copy of the 1994 Federal AWB (Clinton Administration). The Federal Ban was removed in 2004, however Massachusetts stubbornly clings to this ridiculous law. See the state's guide to the AWB here; <https://www.mass.gov/guides/frequently-asked-questions-about-the-assault-weapons-ban-enforcement-notice> . Note that the law abiding citizens of Massachusetts were further insulted several years ago when the attorney general singlehandedly increased the restrictions of the 20 year old law.

Reciprocity

Massachusetts has reciprocity with exactly **0 states**. Despite this, a number of states recognize the Massachusetts LTC, mostly due to the educational requirement for a license. In addition, Massachusetts LTC holders can carry in most constitutional or permit less carry states:

Alabama	Montana	Tennessee	Wisconsin
Indiana	Nevada	Texas	Puerto Rico
Iowa	North Carolina	Utah	
Michigan	Ohio	Virginia	