

NORTH CAROLINA

GUN LAWS & RECIPROCITY — QUICK REFERENCE

SHALL-ISSUE PERMIT

PERMITLESS CARRY

No — permit required

RESIDENT PERMIT

North Carolina Concealed Handgun Permit (CHP) — issued at 21+

OUT-OF-STATE PERMITS

Honors ALL states' permits

DUTY TO INFORM POLICE

Yes — notify on initial contact



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KEY RESTRICTIONS & RULES

- Duty to inform: must notify law enforcement that you are carrying upon initial contact
- Prohibited: schools/school grounds, State Capitol grounds, courthouses/government facilities, posted premises
- No carry while consuming alcohol or with alcohol in your system
- Vehicle without a permit: handgun must be openly visible or in a locked compartment

⚠ **WATCH: MONITOR:** SB 50 permitless carry — vetoed by Gov. Stein, Senate override, House override never voted (one seat short of a supermajority); Speaker Hall (Aug 2026) says an override may still be attempted after the Nov 2026 elections — a permit is still require...