



Gun Safety

Most children regard firearms as toys and will play with them if given the opportunity. Thousands of people (many of them children) are killed annually in the United States by firearms being used or stored in an unsafe manner.

Here are some gun safety rules worthy of consideration:

- Treat every firearm as if it is loaded.
- Always point the firearm in a safe direction. If it does accidentally discharge, it will not cause injury or damage.
- Insure the firearm is safe to operate. Use only the correct ammunition. If you have any questions about either, consult with a gunsmith or other qualified person.
- Always secure a firearm and store it and the ammunition separately.
- Never, under any circumstances, handle or use a firearm while using alcohol.

Possession and ownership:

- Most firearms need only be registered at the time of sale by a gun dealer.
- With few exceptions, it is unlawful for a person under 18 years of age to possess a firearm unless under competent adult supervision.
- It is generally unlawful for any person to openly carry a firearm. The most common exceptions include hunting and target practice.
- License to carry a concealed weapon are issued through the Department of State.
- Transporting a firearm by airplane is subject to federal and airline regulations. Contact the airline personnel BEFORE you fly to determine the exact laws that apply.