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Does the state of Vermont recognize Idaho's Concealed Weapons License?

Regular: IDAHO CODE § 18-3302
Enhanced: IDAHO CODE § 18-3302K
Both
Neither

Does the state of Vermont require a reciprocity agreement?

No
Yes

If yes, is a formal agreement, such as a Memorandum of Agreement, required or will a less formal agreement, such as exchange of letters acknowledging reciprocity of our states' Concealed Weapons Licenses suffice?

Memorandum of Agreement
Exchange of Letters

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Re: Idaho Concealed Weapons Licenses ("CWL")

Dear Lead Deputy Attorney General Altig:

I write in response to your July 6, 2017, letter to the Vermont Attorney General's Office regarding recognition of concealed weapons licenses and reciprocity.

There are no licensing or permitting requirements in Vermont law regarding the carrying of firearms whether concealed or otherwise. As such, Vermont cannot enter into a reciprocity agreement to recognize another State's permit to carry concealed firearms. Additionally, for this same reason it is not accurate to state that Vermont recognizes Idaho's original or enhanced concealed weapons licenses.

Idahoans visiting Vermont should be aware that Vermont law prohibits persons convicted of certain violent crimes from possessing firearms. See 13 V.S.A. § 4017. Otherwise, Vermont law does not restrict who may carry a firearm. Chapter 85 of the Title 13 of the Vermont Statutes places certain restrictions on the places that firearms may be carried and additional circumstances under which possession of a firearm may be a criminal offense. Additionally, 10 V.S.A. § 4705, prohibits the carrying of certain firearms in vehicles under certain circumstances.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions regarding these matters.

Sincerely,

  
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