

# Washington State Patrol Firearms Background Division Firearm Transfer Denial Notification and Appeal Process

<b>Denied Person Information:</b>  Full Name:  Date of Birth:  NTN:	<b>FFL Information:</b>  Business Name:  Phone Number:  SAFE TX Number:
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Additional information is available at [www.wsp.wa.gov/firearms-background-division/](http://www.wsp.wa.gov/firearms-background-division/), but some potential reasons for a denial are listed below:

This determination was made due to a background check conducted by the Washington State Patrol	
<p><b>Title 18, United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 922 (g) and (n) of the Gun Control Act</b></p> <p><i>Federal Firearm prohibitions apply to any person who:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>(g)(1)</b> Has been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year (or a misdemeanor crime punishable by imprisonment over two years)</li> <li><b>(g)(2)</b> Is a fugitive from justice</li> <li><b>(g)(3)</b> Is an unlawful user of or addicted to any controlled substance</li> <li><b>(g)(4)</b> Has been adjudicated as a mental defective or committed to a mental institution</li> <li><b>(g)(5)</b> Is an alien or is illegally or unlawfully in the United States</li> <li><b>(g)(6)</b> Has been discharged from the armed forces under dishonorable conditions</li> <li><b>(g)(7)</b> Has renounced their United States citizenship</li> <li><b>(g)(8)</b> Is subject to a qualifying protection/restraining order</li> <li><b>(g)(9)</b> Has been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence</li> <li><b>(n)</b> Is under indictment/information for a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Washington State Misdemeanor Prohibitions RCW 9.41.040(2)(a)(i)(B), (C), (D), (E) and (F)</b></p> <p><i>All convictions for crimes listed below that meet the family or household member, or intimate partner relationship as defined in RCW 7.105.010:</i></p> <p><b>(2)(a)(i)(B) Committed on or after July 1, 1993:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assault in the fourth degree</li> <li>Coercion</li> <li>Stalking</li> <li>Reckless endangerment</li> <li>Criminal trespass in the first degree</li> <li>Violation of protection order provisions or no-contact restraining the person or excluding the person from the residence based on RCW 10.99.040 or RCWs 26.50.060, .070, and .130</li> </ul> <p><b>(2)(a)(i)(C) Committed on or after June 7, 2018:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harassment</li> </ul> <p><b>(2)(a)(i)(E) Committed on or after June 1, 2022:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Violation of the provisions of a protection order under RCW 7.105</li> <li>No relationship between victim and defendant necessary</li> </ul> <p><b>(2)(a)(i)(D) and (F) Committed on or after July 23, 2023:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Convictions for the DV crimes in RCW 10.99.020(4)</li> <li>Convictions for certain non-DV crimes</li> <li>Convictions for two or more prior offenses defined in RCW 46.61.5055(14)</li> <li>Regardless of relationship with protected person: Violation of a protection order, no-contact order, order to surrender or Extreme Risk Protection Order</li> </ul>

Because you have been denied a firearm purchase or transfer, RCW 9.41.114 requires your name to be entered into the state Denied Firearm Applicant (DFA) database for six years. RCW 43.43.823 explains your right to appeal that denial. If you choose to appeal, your name will be removed from the file for one year during the denial review process. If you win the appeal, your name will be permanently removed from the file for that denial. If you lose the appeal, your name will be entered back into the file for the remainder of the six years.

RCW 43.43.823 requires the WSP to report the following information to the local law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction where the attempted purchase or transfer took place and to the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs (WASPC) for grant purposes:

- Identifying information of the applicant
- Date of application and the denial of the application
- The basis of the denial
- Other information as determined by the WSP

<p><b><i>Persons denied a firearm transfer are subject to criminal investigation by the Washington State Patrol and/or a local law enforcement agency. Attempting to transfer or purchase a firearm after being previously denied without a successfully completed appeal may result in criminal charges being brought against you pursuant to title 9.41 RCW, RCW 9A.72.030, and/or any other applicable codes and criminal statutes.</i></b></p>	Washington State Patrol Firearms Background Division PO Box 42649 Olympia, WA 98504-2649 360-704-7840 Firearmappeal@wsp.wa.gov	
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# WSP Firearms Background Check Appeal & Identity Verification Form

To receive your reason for denial and/or to begin your appeal for the denial of a purchase or transfer of a firearm, you must submit a complete appeal packet, containing **both**:

- Completed and notarized copy of this form **AND**  Clear, color image of the identification indicated below

**Email your notarized packet to: [firearmappeal@wsp.wa.gov](mailto:firearmappeal@wsp.wa.gov) for the quickest response.** You may use a clear photo of the form and the identification to send via email in one of the approved formats (.jpg, .png, .pdf)

Please provide **ALL** of the following required information:

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ NTN: \_\_\_\_\_

Identification type presented to Notary **AND** image included with appeal submission (check one):

- State Driver License  State ID Card  US Passport  Other Government Issued ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Identification Number (From ID type selected above): \_\_\_\_\_

How would you prefer WSP to contact you: (If no selection is made, USPS will be the default using the address on provided identification)

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

United States Postal Service (USPS) Mailing Address (if different than listed on ID):

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Appellant: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Below for Notary Use Only*

State of Washington

County of \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that the person named above is the person who appeared before me and provided the indicated identification type and number, and said person acknowledged that they signed this instrument and acknowledged it to be their free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

(Seal or stamp)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

My appointment expires: \_\_\_\_\_