

# Firearm FAQ's Continued

**What if I had an expired PAL or FAC, do I have to take the CFSC?**

This will depend on how long it has been expired and if you have proof that you have held a firearm license or taken the CFSC in the past. Contact the CFO for more information at 1-800-731-4000

**Can I buy handguns with a PAL?**

In order to purchase or own handguns (restricted firearms) in Canada, you are required to have a Restricted Possession and Acquisition License (RPAL). In order to be eligible for an RPAL, you must complete both the CFSC as well as the Canadian Restricted Firearm Safety Course (CRFSC) and then submit an application to the CFO. If you already hold a PAL, you do not need to take the CFSC again.

**What is the CRFSC?**

The CRFSC is similar to the CFSC but focuses on handguns/restricted firearms. Students must be 18 yrs+. The course is 6 hours plus testing time.

**Is it true that I have to notify the RCMP every time I take my restricted firearm to a gun range?**

No. Your RPAL will include an Authorization To Transport (ATT) to any approved gun range, gun show and gunsmith in the province. If you want to take it out of the province, you will have to get an additional ATT from the CFO.

# RPAL FAQ's continued

**Can I use my handgun for hunting?**

No. A restricted firearm can only be used at an approved gun range and therefor cannot be used for hunting in Canada.

**What is the point of owning a handgun?**

There are many fun and competitive/non-competitive handgun clubs and leagues throughout the province and country, including the Manitoba Defensive Pistol League (MDPL) and International Practical Shooting Confederation (IPSC). Target shooting with a handgun can also be a fun hobby.

**How to register for a class:**

Joe's Firearm Safety is a proud partner of the Eastman Safety Training Centre in Steinbach. Registration for these classes can be done at [www.eastmansafety.ca](http://www.eastmansafety.ca)

Joe's Firearm Safety often holds classes in other communities in the Southeast as well.

For complete, up to date class schedules and prices, check out our Facebook page [Facebook.com/JoesFirearmSafety](https://www.facebook.com/JoesFirearmSafety)

**Do you do group bookings?**

Group bookings may be available for your group. For more information, please email [joe@eastmansafety.ca](mailto:joe@eastmansafety.ca)

# Hunting & Firearm License FAQ's



## Hunting FAQs

In order to purchase a hunting license/tags and hunt in Manitoba, you first must complete the Manitoba Hunter Education Course (in class or online) or possess a valid equivalent Hunter Education certificate from another jurisdiction. If you have lawfully held a hunting license before January 1, 1975, you may qualify for a certificate issued under the *Hunter Education Regulation, MR 128/2007*.

Contact the Manitoba Wildlife Federation for more information.

### In Class Hunter Education Course:

This course is open to anyone 10 yrs+. It is an 8 hour course and covers topics including: Safe and Ethical Hunting Practices, Hunting Laws, Wildlife Management, Hunter Responsibilities, Basic Survival and Firearm Safety. In order to complete the course, students will have to complete the written test and achieve a minimum of 96%.

### Online Hunter Education Course:

This online course is for students that don't have the time to come into a class. Students must be 12 yrs+. The online course covers all the topics that are covered throughout the In Class Course, but at the pace the student sets for themselves.

Once the student has completed the online course they will have to meet with a Hunter Education Instructor for the final exam. The exam consists of a multiple choice test and a practical firearm handling test. Students must achieve a minimum of 96% on the final exam to pass the course.

## Hunting continued

Once you have successfully completed the Hunter Education Course, you will receive a temporary certificate. This certificate will allow you to purchase hunting licenses/tags immediately. You will receive your permanent card in the mail in approximately 30 days.

### **Will a Hunter Education certificate allow me to purchase firearms and ammunition?**

No. In order to legally purchase, possess or use firearms and ammo, you have to hold a valid Firearms License, a PAL (Possession and Acquisition License).

### **I do not have a Firearms License, can I still hunt with a firearm?**

A person without a PAL may still hunt and use a firearm as long as they are under the direct and immediate supervision (within arms reach) of an adult with a valid PAL.

### **I have lost my Hunter Education certificate, can it be replaced?**

The Manitoba Wildlife Federation can reissue Hunter Education certificates for a fee. Contact them at [www.mwf.mb.ca](http://www.mwf.mb.ca) or 1-877-633-4868,

## Firearm License FAQ's

### **What is the difference between a Firearm License and a PAL?**

There is no difference. PAL (Possession and Acquisition License) is the name of the firearm license in Canada.

### **How do I get a PAL?**

The first step in obtaining a PAL is to take the Canadian Firearm Safety Course (CFSC) and complete the tests. Once this has been successfully completed, you will have to submit a PAL application to the CFO (Chief Firearms Officer).

### **What is the Canadian Firearm Safety Course?**

The CFSC (Canadian Firearm Safety Course) is regulated by the Federal Government. It will cover all aspects of firearm safety, ammunition as well as storage and transport. There is also a written (multiple choice) test and a practical firearm handling test. Students must achieve a minimum of 80% on each test in order to pass the course. This is an 8 hour course, plus testing time.

### **How old do I have to be?**

Students must be at least 12 yrs at the time of the course. Students 12-17 must have parent permission and upon completion, will be eligible for a Jr. PAL.

