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BULLETIN 25-01

REFERENCE: Notice to All Firearms Dealers—The permit application deadline for current FFLs to continue to engage in the business of dealing in firearms in Colorado has passed.

In accordance with section 18-12-401.5 of the Colorado Revised Statutes ("C.R.S."), all current holders of the types of federal firearms licenses ("FFL") as specified below must have submitted an application for a State Firearms Dealer Permit as of May 2, 2025, in order to continue to engage in the business of dealing firearms in Colorado. If you or your business falls within any of the categories of FFLs specified below and has failed to submit an application for a State Permit on or before May 2, 2025, and you or your business continues to engage in the business of dealing in firearms in Colorado, you are out of compliance with state statute.

Please review the following information carefully:

- Application Requirement: In accordance with C.R.S. section 18-12-401.5(4)(c)(II)(A), all current holders of a Type 01 and/or Type 02 FFLs, and any current holders of a Type 07 and/or Type 08 FFLs who sell firearms to the public at retail, must have submitted an application to the Firearms Dealer Division ("Division") for a State Firearms Dealer Permit on or before May 2, 2025, in order to continue to engage in the business of dealing firearms in the state of Colorado. (See C.R.S. section 18-12-401(1) defining "dealer" and Rule 1-110(A), 1 C.C.R. 214-1, concerning applicability to these FFL types.) If you submitted an application on or before May 2, 2025, you may continue to engage in the business of dealing firearms while the Division processes your application.
- Permit Requirement: In accordance with C.R.S. section 18-12-401.5(1)(a), beginning July 1, 2025, all new and existing FFL holders that fall within the categories specified above must hold a valid state permit to engage in the business of dealing in firearms in Colorado.
- Unclassified Felony: Pursuant to C.R.S. section 18-12-401.5(1)(c)(I), engaging in the business of dealing in firearms without a state permit is an unclassified felony punishable by a fine of up to \$250,000. As of May 2, 2025, all current FFL holders who fall within the categories specified above must have submitted an application for a State Firearms

Dealer Permit in order to continue dealing firearms in Colorado or be subject to these penalties.

- Permit Issuance: In order to obtain a state permit from the Division, dealers must meet specific eligibility requirements, including holding a valid FFL.
- Application Fee: Dealers must pay the required fee at the same time as the application is submitted. The application fee for the state three-year permit is \$400.
- Inspections: The Division will conduct on-site inspections of a random selection of 10% of state permit holders each year, and may conduct periodic unannounced inspections.

We strongly advise all firearm dealers to review C.R.S. sections 18-12-401 through 18-12-407 in their entirety to ensure full compliance with the law.

For further information and application details, please visit https://sbg.colorado.gov/firearms-dealer-division or email the Division at dor fdd@state.co.us.

Firearms Dealer Division