

Maryland State Police Licensing Division Bulletin



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Electronic Registration of Machine Gun

In furtherance of our commitment to better service both the public and private sectors of Maryland, the Maryland State Police Licensing Division has automated the registration of machine guns.

Criminal Law Article, § 4-403, requires that any person who acquires a machine gun to register the machine gun with the Secretary of State Police within 24 hours after acquiring the machine gun. The law also requires that the machine gun registration be renewed in each succeeding year following the initial registration during the month of May. Beginning February 15, 2015, the Maryland State Police, using the same technology that provides Maryland's residents with their Handgun Qualification License, will furnish the application necessary for machine gun initial and renewal registration on-line. The \$10 registration fee will also be collected on-line during the submission process. Paper applications will no longer be furnished by the Department, nor will they be accepted.

Owners of multiple machine guns, business entities and persons already holding an eMDSP account:

1. If you already have an online eMDSP account, you do not need to create a new account specifically for machine gun registrations. You may log in and use the same account to register your machine gun.
2. All machine gun applications must be submitted in the name of a person. No trusts, trade names or commercial business names will be accepted.
3. Licensed firearms dealers and businesses with personal eMDSP accounts are urged to create separate eMDSP accounts when registering machine guns. This separation will allow for the

licensee or business to transfer/manage the entire eMDSP machine gun registration account, should licensure or personnel change. It is recommended that firearms dealers include the six-digit regulated firearms dealer's license number immediately following the licensee's last name when creating a machine gun account.

4. Multiple machine guns may be registered for a single registration fee, as long as you follow the "Save and Add Another Weapon" directions explained below.
5. If you have multiple machine guns and do not wish to "add"/register them all in one sitting, click "Save and Add Another Weapon." Wait for the page to refresh, log out, and continue at another time. Do not complete and pay fees until such time as ALL machine guns have been entered. Once you pay fees, to add to your account, you will be required to pay another fee.
6. If you have already started your application, and log back in to continue, do not start another application. Press the YELLOW Continue link, to continue the application you already started.
7. If you are clicking "Continue" at the bottom of the Demographics page and it does not move to the next page, be sure you scroll to the right, and fill in all fields on the page.
8. For security purposes, you will be automatically logged off of your account after 15 minutes of inactivity. Inactivity is any period of time that you do not change the page you are on.
9. **Annual Machine Gun Registration** – When complying with Criminal Law §4-403(c) (1) (ii), in each succeeding year during the month of May, upon opening your licenses set for renewal, always select the most recent application submitted. This will ensure that the record that accounts for your entire machine gun inventory is renewed/re-registered at one time.