## MCS #260 "Cheat Sheet"





# **Hidden CCW Legal Traps**

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#### **Know The Law And KEEP Your Guns!**

Want to keep your guns? The fact is, there are lots of sneaky legal "traps" out there that could affect your gun rights and/or put you in JAIL. Here are five sneaky traps to watch out for:

### **Trap 1: Alcohol And Guns**

A lot of states, even pro-gun states, have restrictions on alcohol and guns.

- Florida and Texas are two examples of gun friendly states where you can't have a gun in an establishment that serves alcohol.
  Arizona is another.
- These areas essentially become massive "gun free zones," which we've seen become targets in the past.
- In some states, there are signs posted telling you that you can't have your gun there... but you can't count on these signs being there!
- You might be on your guard in an anti-gun state, but not necessarily in a pro-gun state.

#### **Trap 2: Duty To Notify**

Many states require you to produce a permit if you are asked about your gun... but some states have a legal duty to notify an officer that you have a CCW (Concealed Carry Weapon) permit.

- If you're following all the laws, it's better the officer find out from you preemptively.
- If you're traveling from state to state, you might cross from a state that does not have this requirement to one that does.
- Traveling from state to state with a gun is very dangerous if you don't know the gun laws in every state you are passing through.

#### **Trap 3: Duty To Retreat**

In some places you are required to retreat as long as you have the ability to do so.

- This is the opposite of states that have "stand your ground" laws.
- Even if you would be justified in using force, this requirement means you must back down if it's safe for you to do so.

#### **Trap 4: Air Travel**

Air travel is universal... until it's not.

- Airports are not owned by the federal government.
- State laws apply in every airport where you stop. Individual airports could have their own policies beyond TSA guidelines.
- Airlines have their own policies, too, especially when it comes to transporting firearms.
- Know the rules at your point of departure, the rules at every place where you'll stop, and the rules at your destination. BEWARE of unexpected stops. Gun laws will still apply.

#### **Trap 5: A Gun In Your Vehicle**

Some states honor your CCW permit and some do not. In your car, the law is a mess.

- Know the law in the state you're leaving, the state you're going to, and in between.
- Federal law applies under certain conditions.

#### **Resources Mentioned In This Podcast:**

- "Legal Boundaries By State" CCW Book
- Concealed Carry App

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