

# ***Jerry Monette, Sheriff of Craven County is Offering an Online Gun Permit Program***

In an effort to provide better customer service to the citizens of Craven County, Sheriff Jerry Monette is now offering an Online Gun Permit Pistol Purchase Program and Concealed Carry Permit Program.

These programs will streamline the process and reduce the wait time for Craven County citizens. The online program also allows the applicant to keep track of the application process by notifying the applicant via email at different levels of the process. It will also help insure you have all the correct documents you need to bring with you when you come to the Sheriff's Office. Having to make additional trips can be costly. No email? You can still come to the Sheriff's Office and apply on one of our two Kiosks. These sites work just like any online store purchase you have probably already made at your favorite online store.

## **Purchase Permit;**

In order to complete the online purchase program, you must have a valid email address and a credit card. Just as with the former paper applications, the applicant must be 21 years old and have been a resident of Craven County for the last 12 months.

Applications take approximately 1-2 working days to process, however by state law we have up to 14 days to approve or deny any permit. The cost is **\$5 per permit** along with a \$3 service charge from the software vendor.

Once the permit application has been approved, the applicant must come to the Craven County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) and provide a valid NC driver's license / NC ID with correct address or military ID with proof of residency in Craven County. No other forms of identification will be accepted. Active and Retired Military see below for additional requirements.

## **Concealed Carry Permit (CCW);**

In order to complete the online CCW program, you must have a valid email address and a credit card. Just as with the former paper applications, the applicant must be 21 years old and have been a resident of Craven County for the least 1 month.

Applications take approximately 90 days to process. The cost is **\$90 per permit** along with a \$4 service charge from the software vendor that is paid online, and a \$5 notary fee to be paid in cash at the Sheriff's Office.

You can fill out and print the application in the comfort of your own home. Then you will need to bring the application the Sheriff's Office, there you will be fingerprinted, have your application notarized and pay the notary fee.

Once the permit application has been approved, the applicant must come to the CCSO and provide a valid NC driver's license / NC ID with correct address or military ID with proof of residency in Craven County. No other forms of identification will be accepted.

**Active Duty Military:** Since the Sheriff is unable to perform background checks on base, Active Duty Military are required to have a letter from their command and a letter from PMO. This is for both Purchase Permits and CCW.

**Former Military and Retired:** Must have a copy of their DD-214 with the characterization of service page included, or a Retired ID. This is for both Purchase Permits and CCW.

"With the demanding lifestyles of most people, many people prefer electronic transactions because of the convenience," Sheriff Jerry Monette said. "We are hoping that this will be beneficial because customers will only have to report in person to the Sheriff's Office once the permit is approved."

Follow the link to begin the process: <https://cravenso.permitium.com> for pistol purchases and <https://cravenso.permitium.com/ccw/start> to apply for a concealed handgun permit. If you have any questions, please call the Craven County Sheriff's Office at **252-636-6620**.