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Issuing authority	Issued by the Virginia Circuit Court in the applicant's county/city of residence
Minimum age	21 years old
Residency	Virginia resident OR non-resident (via VA State Police nonresident process)
Training hours	Any acceptable demonstrated competency (course duration varies; SEP offers 8 hours)
Application fee	\$50 (clerk fee) + up to \$5 (state) + up to \$35 (sheriff) — approximately \$90 total
Fingerprint fee	Varies by sheriff's office
Renewal cycle	Every 5 years
Processing time	45 days, statutory maximum

QUALIFICATION

Demonstrated competency via a state-approved course (no live-fire requirement statutorily mandated, but recommended)

DISQUALIFIERS

- Felony conviction (unless rights restored)
- Two misdemeanors within 5 years (one within 3 years)
- Drug conviction (within 3 years)
- Domestic violence conviction or protective order
- Adjudicated mentally incompetent
- Habitual drunkard
- Under 21

WHAT TO BRING

- Valid Virginia driver's license or government photo ID
- Application form (provided by Circuit Court)
- Certificate of completion from approved course

- Application fees

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Virginia has broad reciprocity with many states. CHP holders may carry concealed in most public places. Restricted in courts, schools, K-12 grounds, places of worship during services in some cases, and private property with posted no-carry signs.

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Duration: 8 hours · Level: Beginner

Tuition: **\$95** · Certification: Virginia State Police CHP Eligibility Certificate

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