

## **DRIVING THROUGH A SENSITIVE LOCATION**

The New York statute does not offer a “drive-through” loophole for sensitive locations. As far as Times Square is concerned, NYC Rules offers a very limited exemption:

§ 5-34 Times Square Sensitive Location Zone: Permitted Activities.

“(c) A carry licensee or a premises licensee may transport such handgun directly through such zone while operating, or while a passenger within, a motor vehicle, provided that such transport must be continuous and uninterrupted; such handgun must be unloaded and carried in a locked container; and the ammunition for such handgun must be carried separately.”

While unloading and locking can help for Times Square (under specific conditions; while in a vehicle) that does NOT apply to the other sensitive locations, including public transportation.

New Jersey on the other hand has a broad exemption for driving through; and it applies for a loaded gun as well, so long that it “is carried on their person”:

“d. The holder of a valid and lawfully issued permit to carry under N.J.S.2C:58-4 shall not be in violation of subsection a. of this section while the holder is traveling along a public right-of-way that touches or crosses any of the places enumerated in subsection a. of this section if the concealed handgun is carried on their person in accordance with the provisions of this act or is being transported in a vehicle by the permit holder in accordance with all other applicable provisions of law.”

JULY 2025

TriStateCarry.com