

California Firearm Safety Certificate Study Video.

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CHAPTER 1: Self-Test

1. A safe practice when handling a gun is to rest your finger on the outside of the trigger guard or along the side of the gun until you are ready to shoot.

True False

2. To “know your target, its surroundings and beyond,” you must consider that if the bullet misses or completely passes through the target, it could strike a person or object.

True False

3. Drinking alcohol while handling firearms is safe if your blood alcohol level remains below the legal limit.

True False

4. Which of the following safety points should you remember when handling a gun?

- A. Never shoot a gun in celebration.
- B. Do not fire at water, flat or hard surfaces.
- C. Wear ear and eye protection when shooting a gun.
- D. All of the above.

5. As a safety measure, your firearm should always be pointed:

- A. To the north.
- B. In the safest possible direction.
- C. Up.
- D. Down.

6. One of the safety rules is to know how to properly:

- A. Clear a malfunction.
- B. Operate your gun.
- C. Load your gun.
- D. Clean your gun.

CHAPTER 2: Self-Test

1. Toddlers lack the strength to pull the trigger of a firearm.

True False

2. You may face misdemeanor or felony charges if you keep a loaded firearm where a child obtains and improperly uses it.

True False

3. There is no such thing as being too careful with children and guns.

True False

4. An important lesson children should learn is that guns are not toys.

True False

5. The four safety “Rules for Kids” if they see a gun are:

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

6. Child safety precautions only apply if you have children.

True False

CHAPTER 3: Self-Test

1. The importance of the “dangerous range” is that a bullet can travel far beyond the intended target.

True False

2. The safety on a semiautomatic pistol is not foolproof.

True False

3. Just because a cartridge fits into your firearm does not necessarily mean it is safe to shoot.

True False

4. In the case of a malfunction, you should:

- A. Keep your finger on the trigger.
- B. Immediately drop the firearm.

C. Try and determine where the malfunction is.

D. Keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.

5. After ensuring a double-action revolver is pointed in a safe direction and with your finger off the trigger, you begin unloading the firearm by:

A. Opening the cylinder.

B. Locking the slide back.

C. Opening the loading gate.

D. Pushing the magazine release.

6. Firearm or ammunition caliber refers to:

A. Barrel length.

B. Magazine capacity.

C. Barrel or bullet diameter.

D. Bullet velocity.

7. A magazine is part of a:

A. Single-action revolver.

B. Double-action revolver.

C. Semiautomatic pistol.

D. Single-action and a double-action revolver.

CHAPTER 4: Self-Test

1. It is important to carefully read all instructional material you receive with your firearm.

True False

2. Certain modifications, when made to a firearm, may void its warranty.

True False

3. It is safe to store a loaded firearm in your bedside table.

True False

4. Two common firearms safety devices are trigger locks and cable locks.

True False

5. Which of the following steps should be taken to “childproof” your firearm?

A. Use a firearms safety device AND store the firearm in a locked container.

B. Always store your firearm unloaded.

C. Store ammunition separately in a locked container.

D. All of the above.

CHAPTER 5: Self-Test

1. It is illegal for a person convicted of any felony offense to possess a firearm.

True False

2. To legally give a firearm to your best friend as a birthday gift, you must complete the transfer of the firearm through a licensed firearms dealer.

True False

3. It is illegal to lend a firearm to a minor without the permission of the minor's parent or legal guardian.

True False

4. Generally, a person may legally have a loaded firearm, if otherwise lawful, at his or her campsite.

True False

5. It is illegal to buy, sell or possess a firearm knowing its identification marks have been erased or altered.

Transcript

While this video guide provides information necessary to obtain the California Department of Justice Handgun Safety Certificate, it cannot comprehensively relate all pertinent handgun safety practices or laws.

0:00 while this video guide provides
0:02 information necessary to obtain the
0:04 California department of justice handgun
0:07 safety certificate
0:08 it cannot comprehensively relate all
0:11 pertinent handgun safety practices
0:13 or laws you are urged to read the
0:16 handgun safety certificate study guide
0:20 seek professional firearms training in
0:22 your community
0:23 and visit the California department of
0:26 justice website
0:27 at www.ag
0:32 firearms simply viewing this guide will
0:36 not make you a safe gun owner
0:38 safety comes only from carefully
0:41 following
0:42 all applicable rules and laws
0:47 you're responsible for knowing the rules
0:48 of gun safety
0:50 you're responsible for knowing the right
0:52 way to store a handgun
0:53 and you're responsible for always
0:55 handling your gun safely
0:57 legally and responsibly you as a handgun
1:00 owner
1:01 are the one responsible for observing
1:03 all laws and procedures required
1:05 for the safe storage and use of your
1:06 firearm to ensure that you have a basic
1:09 familiarity with the safe handling and
1:11 storage of handguns
1:12 the state of California requires that

1:14 you receive a handgun safety certificate
1:16 before you can purchase a handgun you
1:19 must pass the California department of
1:21 justice
1:22 handgun safety certificate written test
1:24 in order to receive the handgun
1:26 safety certificate if you don't pass the
1:28 test the first time
1:30 the law requires you to wait at least 24
1:32 hours before taking the test again
1:34 and if you don't pass the second time
1:36 you must start the process
1:38 all over so how do you pass the test
1:41 simple just read this the handgun safety
1:44 certificate study guide
1:46 quiz yourself or have someone quiz you
1:48 until you are ready to take the test
1:50 and watch this video if you view this
1:52 video and read the study guide
1:54 you will learn everything you need to
1:55 know to pass the test
1:57 you can also visit the California
1:59 department of justice website
2:01 for detailed information on California's
2:03 firearms laws
2:05 but don't stop there the California
2:07 department of justice
2:08 strongly recommends you obtain handgun
2:10 proficiency
2:11 and safety training from a firearms
2:14 professional in your community
2:16 remember a safe handling demonstration
2:19 is also required by law
2:21 when you purchase a handgun while a
2:23 proficiency and safety course is not
2:25 required by law
2:26 it better prepares you for the serious
2:28 responsibility
2:30 of handgun ownership

6 GUN SAFETY RULES

2:38 first you need to know about handgun
2:40 safety before you ever handle or
2:42 purchase a gun or get a handgun safety
2:45 certificate
2:46 you need to be aware of the six basic
2:47 gun safety rules
2:49 you need to treat all guns at all times
2:52 as if they are loaded
2:54 time and time again the mistaken

2:56 assumption that a gun is
2:57 unloaded has resulted in tragedy
3:01 without exception every time a gun is
3:03 handled
3:04 you need to check to see that it is
3:06 unloaded this is especially important
3:08 when cleaning your gun
3:10 if you are unable to check a gun to see
3:12 if it is unloaded
3:14 leave it alone and get help from someone
3:16 more knowledgeable about guns
3:18 always keep the gun pointed in the
3:20 safest possible direction
3:21 away from yourself someone else or
3:24 anything you can damage
3:25 you should always know where it's
3:27 pointed only point a gun at something
3:29 you intend to shoot
3:30 keep your finger off the trigger even if
3:32 the safety is on
3:33 until you are ready to shoot even though
3:36 it may seem comfortable
3:38 and even natural to rest your finger on
3:40 the trigger it is not safe to do so
3:43 any startling noise or movement can
3:45 cause an accidental trigger pull
3:46 and possibly a tragedy know your target
3:50 its surroundings and beyond
3:52 the areas in front of and behind your
3:54 target must be safe for shooting
3:56 a bullet that misses or passes through a
3:58 target could hit a person or object
4:01 most ammunition can easily penetrate
4:03 residential doors and walls
4:05 be aware of all the people around you
4:07 before shooting
4:08 make sure you can identify your target
4:10 and you know what's behind your target
4:13 never fire at an unusual shape color
4:16 sound or movement when in doubt
4:19 don't shoot
4:22 know how to safely handle and operate
4:25 your gun
4:26 you must be familiar with how to
4:27 properly load
4:29 unload and if your gun malfunctions how
4:32 to clear it
4:33 while many calibers or sizes of
4:35 ammunition look alike

4:37 using the wrong ammunition can result in
4:39 injury to yourself
4:40 or a bystander damage to the firearm
4:44 a jam or a misfire can also result if
4:47 improper ammunition is used
4:49 remember handgun models differ you

HANDGUN MODELS DIFFER. YOU SHOULD NEVER ASSUME THE OPERATION OF ONE HANDGUN IS THE SAME AS ANOTHER.

4:52 should never assume that the operation
4:54 of one handgun
4:55 is the same as another
4:58 storing your gun safely and securely is
5:00 the law
5:01 store handguns unloaded always use a
5:04 california approved trigger lock or
5:06 cable lock
5:07 for maximum safety store your handgun or
5:09 other firearms
5:10 and a california approved lock box or
5:12 gun safe and always store guns and
5:14 ammunition
5:15 separately remember safe storage of any

SAFE STORAGE OF ANY FIREARM IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY AND THE LAW.

5:18 firearm is your responsibility
5:20 and the law

COMMON SENSE SAFETY POINTS

5:30 there are common sense safety points you
5:32 should know in addition to the six basic
5:34 gun safety rules
5:35 never handle a gun when you are
5:37 experiencing an emotional state such as
5:39 anger or depression
5:41 your judgment may be impaired to the
5:42 point that a tragedy could result
5:45 never shoot a gun in celebration at any
5:47 time especially holidays like 4th of
5:49 July
5:50 or New Year's Eve this is extremely
5:52 unsafe as well as illegal
5:54 a bullet fired into the air can return
5:57 to the ground with enough speed to
5:58 injure or kill someone
6:00 never shoot at water pavement or rocks
6:02 the bullet can ricochet and hit someone
6:04 or something other than your target
6:06 whenever you hand your gun to another
6:08 person make sure it is unloaded and the
6:10 cylinder or action is open
6:12 and if someone hands you a gun use the
6:15 same common-sense approach

6:17 the gun should be unloaded with the
6:18 cylinder or action open
6:21 guns and alcohol or guns and drugs are a
6:24 very dangerous
6:25 and deadly mix alcohol and certain
6:28 drugs can impair
6:29 normal mental and physical functioning
6:31 and should never be used when handling a
6:33 gun
6:34 this includes prescription as well as
6:37 over-the-counter medications
6:38 that may cause drowsiness even common
6:41 medications for colds or allergies
6:43 can impair judgment if you are in doubt
6:47 don't handle the firearm
6:49 [Music]
6:51 the loud noise from a gunshot can damage
6:53 your hearing
6:54 to be safe always wear ear protection
6:56 when shooting a gun
6:57 or when you are near someone else who is
6:59 shooting a gun
7:00 the debris and hot gas that is often
7:02 emitted when a gun is fired
7:04 can cause eye injury you should always
7:06 wear eye protection when shooting a gun

COMMON HANDGUNS

7:16 the most common handguns sold are
7:18 semi-automatic pistols
7:19 and revolvers you need to know the basic
7:22 operation of these firearms
7:25 a revolver has a rotating cylinder
7:27 usually with five or six
7:29 chambers the chambers hold the
7:31 ammunition
7:32 releasing the cylinder latch allows the
7:34 cylinder to swing out for loading
7:37 unloading and inspection the cylinder is
7:40 unloaded by depressing the ejector rod
7:44 this is the trigger which fires the
7:46 weapon the trigger guard
7:48 and the grip or handle a revolver is
7:52 never unloaded or made
7:54 safe by simply spinning the cylinder to
7:56 an empty chamber
7:57 [Music]
8:00 revolvers are either single or double
8:02 action the only function of the trigger
8:05 of the single action revolver

8:07 is to release the hammer to fire the
8:09 weapon the hammer must be manually
8:11 cocked in order to fire the single
8:13 action revolver
8:14 the trigger of the double action
8:16 revolver both [__] the hammer as well
8:18 as releases it for firing
8:20 as the trigger is pulled the action of
8:22 the trigger lines up the chamber with
8:23 the barrel and firing pin
8:25 the continued pull of the trigger
8:27 releases the hammer firing the revolver
8:30 this is a semi-automatic pistol the
8:33 semi-automatic has a single chamber
8:36 each time the trigger is pulled a
8:38 cartridge is fired
8:39 the empty case is automatically
8:40 extracted and ejected
8:42 the hammer is cocked and a new
8:44 cartridge is loaded into the chamber
8:46 the basic parts are the slide the slide
8:49 lock
8:50 the hammer the trigger and trigger guard
8:53 the magazine and the magazine release
8:55 the grip
8:56 and the safety you load the ammunition
8:59 into the magazine as described in the
9:01 owner's manual
9:02 the magazine is then inserted firmly
9:04 into the pistol at the bottom of the
9:06 grip
9:06 like this remember even with the
9:09 magazine removed a semi-automatic may
9:11 still have one round in the chamber
9:15 you won't know until you inspect the
9:17 chamber yourself
9:19 you inspect it by first removing the
9:21 magazine keeping your finger off the
9:23 trigger
9:23 and then pulling the slide to the rear
9:25 and if possible
9:26 locking the slide back the action is now
9:29 open
9:30 and you can visually check the chamber
9:31 to ensure it is empty
9:33 semi-automatic handgun owners need to be
9:35 particularly careful
9:37 if you only remove the magazine and
9:39 don't clear the chamber

9:41 your weapon may still be loaded and that
9:44 could cause a tragedy
9:47 any questions you have regarding the
9:49 operation of your handgun
9:51 should be directed to a gun dealer or
9:53 the manufacturer of the gun

HANDGUN STORAGE

10:04 is no such thing as being too careful
10:06 with children and guns
10:08 child safety precautions apply even if
10:10 you don't have children
10:12 because you could have child visitors at
10:14 any time
10:16 never leave a firearm lying around the

NEVER LEAVE A FIREARM LYING AROUND THE HOUSE!

10:18 house
10:21 if you keep a loaded handgun on the
10:23 premises where you are in custody or
10:25 control of any child
10:26 under the age of 18 and that child uses
10:29 it
10:30 you are subject to criminal prosecution
10:32 unless you store the weapon
10:34 in a locked storage container or the gun
10:36 has a California approved
10:38 locking device obviously you should
10:42 never leave a gun
10:43 unsafely stored in the house
10:46 nevertheless
10:47 children playing with guns remains a
10:49 major cause of accidental shootings
10:51 do not assume handguns are safe around
10:53 toddlers because you think they lack the
10:55 strength to pull the trigger
10:57 a child's thumb has twice the strength
10:59 of the other fingers
11:00 and when the toddler manages to pull the
11:02 trigger with the thumbs
11:04 the weapon is usually facing the child
11:06 children are naturally curious about
11:08 something new to them
11:09 or things they think are forbidden if
11:12 your child
11:12 asks you questions about guns or begins
11:15 to act out gun play
11:17 that is a good time to talk about guns
11:19 honestly and openly
11:21 by doing so you will help remove the
11:24 mystery

11:24 and reduce their natural curiosity
11:28 it is important to convey to a child the
11:30 difference between
11:31 real and make-believe that critical
11:34 difference between a real gun
11:36 and a toy gun these can look very alike
11:39 to a child
11:40 and the child needs to understand the
11:42 real gun can hurt or kill someone
11:46 children around you will learn by
11:48 observing your actions
11:49 it cannot be emphasized enough that by
11:51 practicing safe conduct you will also be

BY PRACTICING SAFE CONDUCT, YOU WILL ALSO BE TEACHING SAFE CONDUCT.

11:54 teaching safe conduct
11:56 unfortunately it is entirely possible
11:59 for a child to discover a gun
12:01 with no adults around at home at a
12:04 friend's house
12:05 or at a public place like a park it is
12:08 important for children to know the
12:10 rules for this situation before it
12:12 happens
12:13 stop don't touch leave the area
12:17 and tell an adult child who finds a
12:20 gun
12:20 should stop whatever they are doing they
12:23 should never
12:24 touch a found gun they should
12:26 immediately leave the area
12:28 no child should attempt to take a gun
12:30 away from another child
12:31 or attempt to stop another child from
12:33 using a gun
12:34 they should just leave and as soon as
12:37 possible
12:38 they should tell an adult about the gun
12:40 and whether other kids are playing with
12:42 or shooting the gun
12:50 you've just seen the basic rules for
12:52 handgun safety
12:54 operation and storage check what you've
12:57 learned by answering these sample test
12:59 questions

SAMPLE QUESTION 1

13:03 drinking alcohol while handling guns is
13:05 safe
13:06 if your blood alcohol level remains
13:08 below the legal limit

13:09 true or false
13:12 the answer is false alcohol and firearms
13:16 never mix ever

SAMPLE QUESTION 2

13:22 the safest place to point a handgun is
13:24 to the north
13:25 away from yourself someone else or
13:27 anything you can damage
13:29 up or down
13:32 the answer is away from yourself someone
13:34 else or anything you can damage
13:38 [Music]
13:40 it is important for you to always
13:42 practice gun safety rules at all times
13:44 so that children will be positively
13:46 influenced by your role modeling
13:48 true or false
13:52 the answer is true children will learn
13:54 by watching
13:56 be a good example of proper gun safety
14:02 and finally if you improperly store a
14:04 handgun and a child injures someone or
14:06 improperly uses it some other way
14:08 you could face criminal charges true or
14:11 false
14:12 the answer is true after studying the
14:16 handgun safety certificate study guide
14:19 and viewing this video you should be
14:22 able to pass the handgun safety
14:23 certificate written test
14:25 and get your handgun safety certificate
14:28 please keep in mind that
14:29 while a handgun safety certificate is
14:31 required by law to obtain a handgun
14:34 it is really only the first step in
14:36 responsible gun ownership
14:38 it is your obligation to know and follow
14:41 all laws
14:41 and safety procedures for gun safety
14:44 remember
14:45 safe handgun ownership requires you to
14:48 carefully practice
14:49 all of the rules and laws of gun safety
14:52 you must help prevent gun tragedies from
14:54 occurring
14:55 gun safety begins with you it is your
14:58 risk