



SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

HOW TO TURN IN FIREARMS, FIREARM PARTS, AND AMMUNITION

If the court issues a restraining or protective order against you, you are prohibited from owning, possessing, or buying firearms, firearm parts, and ammunition ("Prohibited Items"). **You must act quickly.** Upon request from law enforcement, you must immediately surrender your Prohibited Items. Otherwise, you have **24 hours** from the time you received the court's order to turn in ("relinquish") your Prohibited Items and **48 hours** from the time you received the court's order to file proof with the court. Do not bring your Prohibited Items to the courthouse.

Options for Relinquishing Prohibited Items

Option 1: Sell them to, or store them with, a federally licensed gun dealer

You can find a gun dealer in your area by searching online. Make sure the dealer you choose is federally licensed.

Option 2: Turn them in to a local law enforcement agency

Call the San Diego County Sheriff's Office or the police department where you live. Tell them a restraining or protective order was issued against you and you need to turn in your Prohibited Items. Listen to and follow carefully the instructions given to you by law enforcement. They may ask you for: (1) a description of you and your car, (2) your ID, and (3) a copy of the court order requiring relinquishment. They may share with you the following general safety instructions:

- Your firearm(s) must be unloaded.
- Place the Prohibited Items in the trunk of your car and lock your trunk. If you do not have a trunk, lock your firearm in a container and put it in the back of your vehicle out of arm's reach. Do not put it in your glove compartment. (Pen. Code, § 16850)
- Drive straight to the law enforcement agency. Do not stop anywhere else.
- Call the agency when you get there. They will tell you what to do. If you do not have a cell phone, leave the firearm inside of your car and go inside of the agency office and ask for instructions.

Do not call 911. Use the local law enforcement non-emergency numbers below:

Carlsbad Police Dept.	(442) 339-2197
Chula Vista Police Dept.	(619) 691-5151
Coronado Police Dept.	(619) 522-7350
El Cajon Police Dept.	(619) 579-3311
Escondido Police Dept.	(760) 839-4722, or (760) 839-4740, #2
La Mesa Police Dept.	(619) 667-1400
National City Police Dept.	(619) 336-4411
Oceanside Police Dept.	(760) 435-4900
San Diego Police Dept.	(619) 531-2000, or (858) 484-3154
San Diego Sheriff's Office	(858) 868-3200

How to File Proof with the Court

You have 48 hours from the time you received the restraining order to file proof of relinquishment with the court. You can use JC Form #CH/DV/EA/GV/SV/WV-800 for this purpose. Bring it with you to the gun dealer or law enforcement agency and ask them to complete the relevant portions. Or obtain a receipt from the agency or dealer.

Bring the original and one copy of JC Form #CH/DV/EA/GV/SV/WV-800 or your receipt to the courthouse where the order was issued. The clerk will file the original, stamp your copy, and return the stamped copy to you for your records.

Questions?

JC Form #CH/DV/EA/GV/SV/WV-800-INFO provides answers to frequently asked questions about firearm relinquishment.