



Pennsylvania State Police
Lethal Weapons Training Program
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Harrisburg, PA 17112-9748

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DATE of APPROVAL

Letter is good 6 months from the date indicated, if your Act 235 expires before you complete Renewal course you CANNOT carry a firearm while working under PA Lethal Weapons Act.

ACT 235 STUDENT
1234 MAIN STREET
ANYTOWN, PA 15000

Dear ACT 235 STUDENT,

Your Application to renew the certification required by Act 235, Lethal Weapons Training, has been reviewed:

It has been determined that you are eligible to enroll in a:
Renewal Course With Firearms

You shall select a school or training facility which has been certified by the Commissioner of the Pennsylvania State Police. It is your responsibility to contact a certified school on the Training and Certification System website <http://www.psp.pa.gov/lethalweapons/Pages/certified-schools.aspx>. You must present this letter to a certified school at the time of enrollment to be enrolled in the course of instruction specified above.

This letter, verifying your eligibility to attend a training program under the Lethal Weapons Training Act, expires on **November 3, 2019**. All training must be completed prior to the expiration date.

Upon successful completion of the course of instruction, the school will forward your grades to the address at the top of this letter. You will be issued the certification required by law for all private agents who are armed with lethal weapons.

You can check the status of your application on the Training And Certification System website <https://www.tacs.pa.gov/tacs/>.

*** Please note that in August 2017, the Pennsylvania Superior Court issued an opinion in Commonwealth v. Anderson, ___ A.3d ___ (Aug. 23, 2017), and ruled that an Act 235 certification is not a substitute for a license to carry. Agents are reminded of the Regulations governing Act 235, at Section 21.26(d), which state "The issuance of a certification card to a privately employed agent does not grant the agent the right or privilege to carry, possess, own, or have under his control a firearm contrary to 18 Pa.C.S. § § 6101—6120 (relating to Uniform Firearms Act)." In light of this ruling, it may be prudent for agents to obtain a license to carry their firearms while in an off-duty status, including traveling to and from places of employment, or in instances where agents are required to conceal a firearm on duty, including loaded carry inside of a vehicle. Agents should direct questions regarding this to their employers.**

Sincerely,

Major Troy S. Lokhaiser
Executive Director