



BCI Brady Section Newsletter

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Newsletter Information

The purpose of the BCI newsletter is to provide dealers with information regarding firearm transfers. Changes in laws, policies, and procedures will be included, as well as answers to questions we receive from dealers. It is important that you read this newsletter and brief your staff on its contents. The newsletter is only available electronically at our BCI website. It is located at publicsafety.utah.gov. Go to the Criminal Identification Link under the "Divisions" tab, then follow the path: Firearm Transfers-Dealers-Firearms Section Newsletters. On the left will be listed the current newsletter under the Firearm Transfer Newsletters.

2016 Calendar Year Checks

2016 was the highest year for back ground checks and the highest for validations of concealed permits. We ran 113,597 regular background checks in 2016 and validated 106,811 concealed firearm permits. This was only the 4th time we have every gone over 100,000 checks in a single year. This was an increase of almost 3000 regular checks over our previous high year of 2013. Permit validations were almost 22,000 more than the previous high year of 2013. Checks for 2017 have started off high for the first quarter also.

Web-based Gun Checks/System Enhancements

If you would like to run background checks on the Internet, contact Lance Tyler at (801) 281-5015 or ltyler@utah.gov to request the application/waiver to set up your company or you may find this on our website also. We may be able to do on-site training in your store. In addition to running background checks, you will be able to see all the checks your store has run in the last twenty days. This can help you in verifying your billing on a daily or weekly basis. You will not be able to use the web-based gun check system for out-of-state driver's license checks, or a check involving an immigrant/non-immigrant. These must all be called in still. You will soon be able to use the web to run your permit validations. The web-system does allow you expand the time frame for running background checks beyond normal business hours at BCI. Beginning in August 2016 the FBI rolled out their "New NICS" program allowing checks to be run 24/7 as long as system maintenance was not being performed. We are looking at a start date to run permits on the Web of June 1st (maybe sooner).

Denials

For dealers in the Salt Lake area, please do not send your customers to BCI over the weekend to find out why they have been denied. The office is closed and we are not able to help them. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00AM-5:00PM. BCI is not able to disseminate denial information over the phone. Please do not tell your customers to call BCI to find out why they were denied. We can only tell them how to obtain the reason for denial and discuss the reasons why we might deny a potential buyer. There are two ways to retrieve denial information: in person at our office, or through a notarized letter (it may be mailed or faxed in). They must use the form that is provided on our website to retrieve their denial/research information. No handwritten notes requesting the information are accepted anymore. We are happy to answer any other questions your customers have. If you do not have any denial pamphlets in your store, they may be retrieved on our website listed at the beginning of the newsletter. Just go to the consumer and dealer sections under the Firearms Transfer Link. The denial pamphlets should be given out to every customer who is denied.

Pre-Checks or Prior Authorizations

Please remember not to send your constituents to BCI for a "pre-check". We are not able to run a check on a customer at BCI and tell them if they would be approved or not. We are not supported by statute to run these checks unless they have filled out the proper forms at your establishments, plan on purchasing a firearm, and you initiate the check with BCI. They are able to purchase their Right of Access (ROA) at BCI which is a copy of their Utah Criminal History and

then we can discuss anything on that criminal history with them as it pertains to firearm rights but this is not a complete background check. It only gives their Utah Criminal History.

Upcoming Enhancements

As we mentioned earlier, CFP checks will be able to run on the same web system as regular checks very soon. We are hoping by June 1st, 2017. When you log in, simply click on the Concealed firearm link on the left of the page and fill in the required boxes. Then check the message box for the approval number or a message to complete some further action. Q permits will still have to be called in to BCI.

Year 2016 Sales/Denial Statistics

The following table shows the total number of regular checks performed in the year 2016 by month and the number of denials broken down into categories. The number of checks does not reflect the number of sales of firearms, only the number of individual checks as a buyer may have purchased more than one firearm during a single transaction.

Brady Monthly Totals (12 Months)

REGULAR FIREARM CHECKS

(Not Individual Sales)

Month	Total	Denials	Denial Reasons										Denial %
			WAR	Fel	State	D V	Drug	Ment	IA	P O	PF	DD	
Dec '16	16704	242	72	51	23	22	22	10	4	32	5	1	1.45%
Nov '16	13251	178	49	32	27	16	18	7	1	22	6	0	1.34%
Oct '16	9266	161	54	29	17	11	18	4	6	20	2	0	1.74%
Sep '16	8402	207	62	49	20	17	23	4	7	19	6	0	2.46%
Aug '16	7333	211	49	58	12	12	31	8	6	24	11	0	2.88%
Jul '16	7649	182	47	54	15	15	18	10	2	13	8	0	2.38%
Jun '16	8248	155	40	33	16	8	24	6	2	17	9	0	1.88%
May '16	7041	187	50	62	16	12	23	4	2	12	6	0	2.66%
Apr '16	8109	199	48	54	19	14	27	9	2	19	7	0	2.45%
Mar '16	8632	208	68	56	16	8	26	5	5	15	9	0	2.41%
Feb '16	9697	236	70	47	29	18	27	3	5	30	7	0	2.43%
Jan '16	9265	169	37	41	20	19	15	7	1	23	6	0	1.82%
TOTALS	113,597	2335	707	624	238	175	280	71	45	256	95	0	2.06%

* Note: WAR = Warrant, Fel = Felony, State = State Prohibitor, DV = Domestic Violence, Drug = Drug Prohibitor, Ment = Mental Defective, IA = Illegal Alien, P O = Protective Order, PF = Pending Felony, DD = Dishonorable Discharge

2016 Top 40 Dealers As Listed By Number of Background Checks Performed

- 1) Cabelas - Lehi
- 2) Gunnies - Orem
- 3) Scheels - Sandy
- 4) Cabelas - Farmington
- 5) Sportsman's Warehouse - Midvale
- 6) Gallenson's - SLC
- 7) Impact Guns - SLC
- 8) Sportsman's Warehouse - Provo
- 9) Al's Sporting Goods Inc - Logan
- 10) Sportsman's Warehouse - Riverdale
- 11) Sportsman's Warehouse - St. George
- 12) Impact Guns - SLC
- 13) Doug's Shoot'n Sports - Taylorsville
- 14) Get Some LLC - Murray
- 15) Smith and Edwards - Ogden
- 16) Gun Vault - South Jordan
- 17) Sportsman's Warehouse - S. Jordan
- 18) Get Some Guns - Provo
- 19) Sportsman's Warehouse - Logan
- 20) Jiffy's - Vernal
- 21) Get Some - Layton
- 22) Basin Sports - Vernal
- 23) Sportsman's Warehouse Heber
- 24) Beaver Sport & Pawn
- 25) Dixie Gun & Fish - St George
- 26) Cal Ranch - Cedar City
- 27) Sportsman's Warehouse Vernal
- 28) Ready Gunner - S. Jordan
- 29) Cal Ranch - West Jordan
- 30) Cal Ranch - Spanish Fork
- 31) Kent's Shooter Supply - Ogden
- 32) Cal Ranch - St. George
- 33) Salt Lake Wholesale
- 34) Cal Ranch - Cedar City
- 35) Get Some Guns & Ammo Tooele
- 36) Jorgensen's - Richfield
- 37) Discount Guns & Ammo SLC
- 38) Jiffy's Roosevelt
- 39) Cal Ranch - Logan
- 40) Extreme Pawn West Jordan

New Information for Prospective new Firearms being Introduced

It has come to the attention of the Utah Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) that several manufacturers have begun to produce firearms similar to the Mossberg Model 590, 12 gauge, pump action firearm, which incorporate a "bird's head" style grip rather than a shoulder stock.

When classifying firearms of this type, please consult the guidelines provided by ATF; BCI is not able to make this determination for you. BCI will run the check under the classification you give to us when running your check. It is your responsibility to accurately represent the style of firearm to BCI when performing the NICS check.