



Montana Private Security Program

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Licensing Requirements and Application Checklist Private Security Guard

License Requirements for Private Security Guard

Below are the minimum requirements you must meet in order to be licensed in the state of Montana.

1. Applicant must be at least 18 years of age – [[MCA 37-60-303](#)]
2. Each Private Security Guard applicant shall complete the training program required by – [[ARM 24.182.807](#), [37-60-303 MCA](#), [ARM 24.182.514](#)]
3. Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or a legal, permanent resident of the United States – [[37-60-303 MCA](#)]
4. Applicant is required to provide a background investigation that includes a fingerprint check by the Montana department of justice and the federal bureau of investigation - [[37-60-303 MCA](#)]
5. Each Private Security Guard shall provide evidence that the applicant is currently employed, or a contractual promise of future employment of the applicant upon issuance of a license, with a Private security firm or an electronic security firm – [[ARM 24.182.514](#)]

Checklist of Required Documents to Submit for Application for Private Security Guard

The following documents and additional forms are required in addition to the basic application. Some documents may be submitted directly by the applicant as part of the application. Others, such as transcripts, may need to be sent to the Department directly from the source.

- Official license verification from states and jurisdictions in which the applicant holds or has ever held a professional license of any type
- If you answered yes to any personal history question, include a detailed explanation on the event(s) and documentation from the source (licensing board, federal agencies/programs, or civil/criminal court proceedings such as initiating/charging documents, final disposition/judgement documents, etc.).
- Applicant Rights and Consent to Fingerprint Notice (Privacy Act Statement)
- Montana Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint criminal background information.
- Passport style photo and copy of applicant signature for identification pocket card.
- Proof the applicant is employed or contracted to be employed and has completed the 16-hour training program required by Department rule.

Application Fee(s) for Private Security Guard

The following fee(s) must be submitted with your application. Online applicants can pay using a credit card or bank account. If you submit a paper application you must submit a check or money order. Do not mail cash.

- \$100 application fee



You can apply for a license online at <https://ebiz.mt.gov/POL/> or download a paper application from the website. Online application is recommended.

Please include a valid e-mail address with your application. E-mail is the department's primary form of communication.

If you have any questions about the application process or the licensing requirements please contact the Department of Labor and Industry Professional Licensing Bureau using the contact information at the top of this checklist.