

OHIO GUN LAWS

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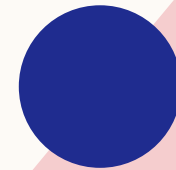
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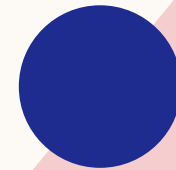
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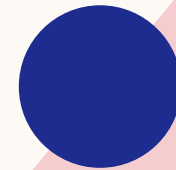

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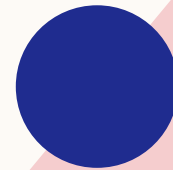
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MOST RECENT CHANGES



NEW/PENDING LEGISLATION





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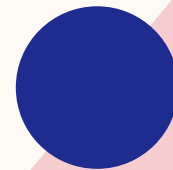
OHIO RANKS #33





EVERYTOWN FOR GUN SAFETY

50 KEY POLICIES



GUN LAW REPORT CARD

Ohio

#33 in the country for gun law strength

Foundational laws



Gun industry and product safety



Guns in public



Keeping guns out of the wrong hands



Policing and civil rights



Sales and permitting



2023 Gun Law Checklist

How Ohio stacks up on 50 key policies

Ohio | Foundational laws

- ⊗ **Background Check and/or Purchase Permit**
Requires Background checks for handgun purchases at point of sale and/or for permit to purchase
 - ⊗ **Concealed Carry Permit Required**
Requires any person who carries a concealed firearm in public to first obtain a permit
 - ⊗ **Extreme Risk Law**
Allows law enforcement (and often family members) to petition for a court order to temporarily prevent someone in crisis from accessing guns.
 - ⊗ **No Shoot First Law**
Does not have a dangerous Shoot First law in place
 - ⊗ **Secure Storage or Child Access Prevention Required**
Requires that firearms be stored locked, unloaded, and separate from ammunition in certain circumstances
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⊗ **Assault Weapons Prohibited**

Bars purchase of certain assault-style weapons originally designed for military use

⊗ **Consumer Safety**

Requires new handgun models sold in the state to have childproofing features

⊗ **Ghost Guns Regulated**

Regulates ghost gun parts, ensuring they cannot be sold without serial numbers and a background check

⊗ **High Capacity Magazines Prohibited**

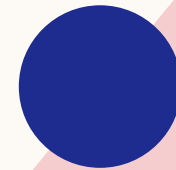
Bars purchase of gun magazines larger than a prescribed size

⊗ **Microstamping for New Handguns**

Requires new handgun models sold in the state to include microstamping technology

⊗ **No Special Immunity for Gun Industry**

Does not have a dangerous legal immunity law in place



- Crime Gun Tracing**
Requires officials to trace all guns recovered at crime scenes, using the federal tracing system

- No Carry After Violent Offense** [Show details](#)
Bars concealed carry by people with assault or other violent misdemeanor convictions

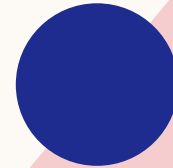
- No Guns Mandate on College Campuses**
Does not force colleges and universities to allow concealed carry

- No Guns at State Capitols and/or Demonstrations**
Blocks the public carry of guns on state capitol grounds and/or political protests

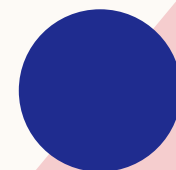
- No Guns in Bars**
Blocks the concealed carry of guns in bars

- No Guns in K-12 Schools** [Show details](#)
Does not have a law allowing carry in K-12 schools by staff or other permit holders

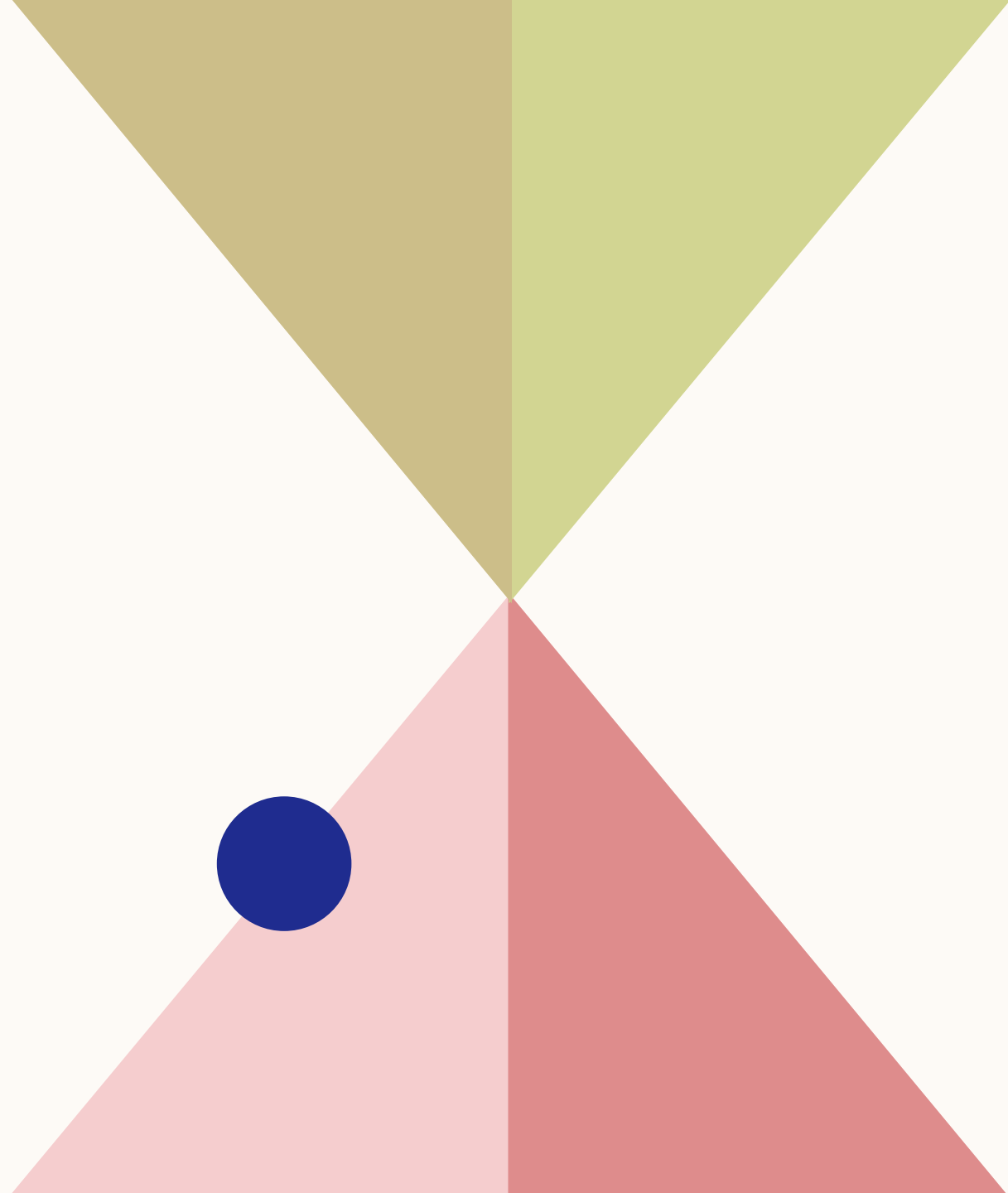
- Open Carry Regulated**
Regulates how guns may be carried visibly in public, either requiring a permit or else barring open carry altogether



- Emergency Restraining Order Prohibitor**
Bars domestic abusers from having guns while subject to short-term emergency orders
- Felony Prohibitor**
Bars gun possession by people with felony convictions
- Fugitive from Justice Prohibitor** [Show details](#)
Bars gun possession by fugitives
- Gun Removal Program**
Requires officials to identify and seek removal of illegal guns
- Hate Crime Prohibitor**
Bars people from having guns after a hate crime conviction
- Mental Health Prohibitor** [Show details](#)
Bars gun possession by people who have been involuntarily committed or found to be a danger to self or others
- Minimum Age to Purchase** [Show details](#)
Requires handgun buyers to be 21+ and rifle and shotgun buyers to be 18+
- No Gun Purchases After Violent Offense**
Bars gun purchases by people with assault or other violent misdemeanor convictions
- Prohibition for Convicted Domestic Abusers**
Bars domestic abusers from having guns after a misdemeanor conviction
- Prohibition for Domestic Abusers Under Restraining Orders**
Bars domestic abusers from having guns while subject to restraining orders
- Relinquishment for Convicted Domestic Abusers**
Requires domestic abusers to turn in guns after a misdemeanor conviction
- Relinquishment for Domestic Abusers Under Restraining Orders**
Requires domestic abusers to turn in guns when a restraining order is placed
- School Threat Assessment Teams**
Requires threat assessment programs to identify students at risk of violence
- Stalker Prohibitor**
Bars gun possession by convicted stalkers



- Funding for Services for Victims of Gun Violence**
Issues targeted solicitations to use federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funds to assist victims of gun violence or for gun violence intervention
- Local Gun Laws Allowed** [Show details](#)
Does not preempt towns and cities from making their own gun safety policy
- No Law Enforcement Officers Bill of Rights**
Does not impede efforts to hold police accountable for excessive force and other misconduct
- Office of Violence Intervention**
Has a dedicated office for gun violence prevention
- Police Use of Deadly Force Standard**
Bars deadly force unless necessary to prevent serious bodily injury, does not make exception for felony suspects fleeing arrest
- Police Use of Force Incident Data Collection and Reporting**
Requires law enforcement agencies to collect and report data on use of force incidents
- Qualified Immunity Limited**
Limits qualified immunity, a legal shield for police officers accused of civil and constitutional violations
- Violence Intervention Program Funding**
State budget includes funding for community violence intervention programming



- Authority to Deny Gun Purchase for Public Safety**
Allows officials to deny sales if buyer poses a danger

- Charleston Loophole Closed or Limited**
Ensures gun sales can't proceed while a background check is still ongoing

- Dealer License Required**
Requires all gun dealers to obtain a state license

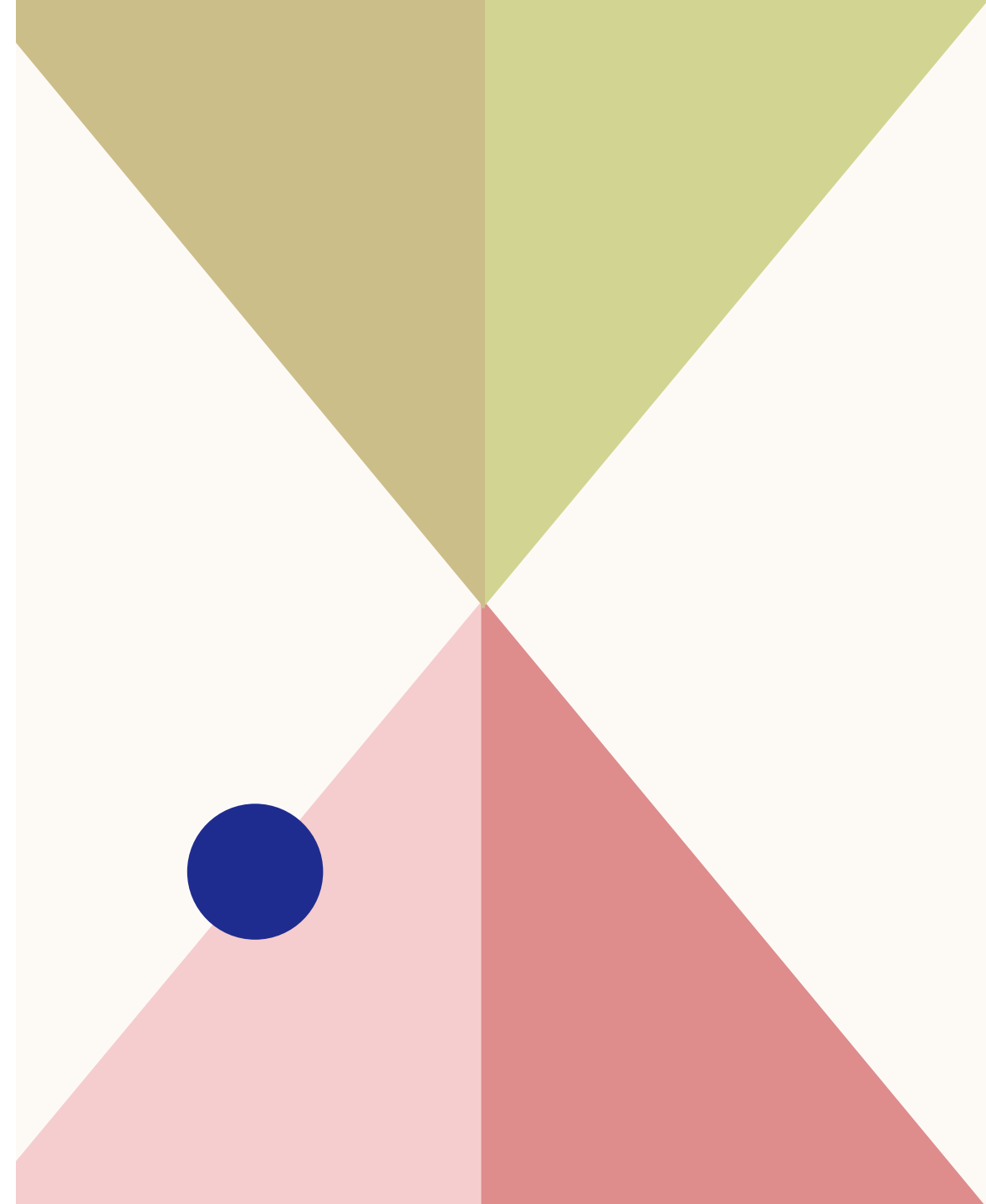
- Lost and Stolen Reporting**
Requires gun owners to notify law enforcement if their guns are lost or stolen

- Mental Health Record Reporting**
Requires or allows officials to report prohibiting records into the background check system

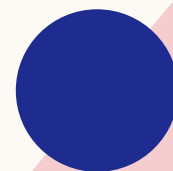
- Notification of Failed Background Checks**
Requires notice to law enforcement when a prohibited person tries to buy a gun

- Sales Records Sent to Law Enforcement**
Requires all handgun sale information be recorded by officials

- Training Required to Purchase Guns**
Requires certain gun buyers to take a training course before their purchase



WHAT CAN WE DO?



RESOURCES

M-PAC's FB Group - Gun Sense Ohio

Everytown For Gun Safety – everytown.org/states/ohio

Ohio General Assembly Website - legislature.ohio.gov



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H. B. No. 51	Enact the Second Amendment Preservation Act	Loychik Schmidt
H. B. No. 63	Require schools to provide conflict resolution instruction	Humphrey
H. B. No. 118	Exempt certain baby products from sales and use tax	Santucci Miller, M.
H. B. No. 168	Enact Ohio Adult Use Act; levy a tax	Callender Weinstein
H. B. No. 170	Enact Extreme Risk Protection Order Act	Grim Thomas, C.

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