LTC Restrictions and Definitions



NOTE: A restriction placed on the LTC does not restrict the use, possession or carrying of a rifle or shotgun, G.L. c. 140, § 131(a), (b) and (c).

None ó The LTC is issued for all lawful purposes with no restrictions. This is used for all FID cards, as by statute, they may not be issued with any restrictions imposed.

Target & Hunting – Restricts possession to the purpose of lawful recreational shooting or competition; for use in the lawful pursuit of game animals and birds; for personal protection in the home; and for the purpose of collecting (other than machine guns). Includes travel to and from activity location.

Sporting – Restricts possession to the purpose of lawful recreational shooting or competition; for use in the lawful pursuit of game animals and birds; for personal protection in the home; for the purpose of collecting (other than machine guns); and for outdoor recreational activities such as hiking, camping, cross country skiing, or similar activities. Includes travel to and from activity location.

Employment - Restricts possession to business owner engaged in business activities, or to an employee while engaged in work related activities, and maintaining proficiency, where the employer requires carrying of a firearm (i.e. armored car, security guard, etc.). Includes travel to and from activity location.

Other ó The licensing authority creates a restriction it deems proper.

For Machine Gun Licenses Only

MPTC Instructor – Restricts possession of machine gun to MPTC certified firearms instructor acquiring or possessing such machine gun for the purpose of training law enforcement personnel.

Collector – Restricts possession of machinegun to bona fide collector for purpose of acquiring or possessing machine guns for historical significance, display, research, lecturing, demonstration, test firing, investment or other like purpose, as well as transportation to and from locations for such purposes.