

VIRGINIA CONCEALED HANDGUN PERMIT (CHP) PRACTICE EXAM (SAMPLE)

STUDY GUIDE



**SAMPLE STUDY GUIDE
WITH LIMITED QUESTIONS**

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Introduction

Preparing for a certification exam can feel overwhelming, but with the right tools, it becomes an opportunity to build confidence, sharpen your skills, and move one step closer to your goals. At Examzify, we believe that effective exam preparation isn't just about memorization, it's about understanding the material, identifying knowledge gaps, and building the test-taking strategies that lead to success.

This guide was designed to help you do exactly that.

Whether you're preparing for a licensing exam, professional certification, or entry-level qualification, this book offers structured practice to reinforce key concepts. You'll find a wide range of multiple-choice questions, each followed by clear explanations to help you understand not just the right answer, but why it's correct.

The content in this guide is based on real-world exam objectives and aligned with the types of questions and topics commonly found on official tests. It's ideal for learners who want to:

- Practice answering questions under realistic conditions,
- Improve accuracy and speed,
- Review explanations to strengthen weak areas, and
- Approach the exam with greater confidence.

We recommend using this book not as a stand-alone study tool, but alongside other resources like flashcards, textbooks, or hands-on training. For best results, we recommend working through each question, reflecting on the explanation provided, and revisiting the topics that challenge you most.

Remember: successful test preparation isn't about getting every question right the first time, it's about learning from your mistakes and improving over time. Stay focused, trust the process, and know that every page you turn brings you closer to success.

Let's begin.

How to Use This Guide

This guide is designed to help you study more effectively and approach your exam with confidence. Whether you're reviewing for the first time or doing a final refresh, here's how to get the most out of your Examzify study guide:

1. Start with a Diagnostic Review

Skim through the questions to get a sense of what you know and what you need to focus on. Your goal is to identify knowledge gaps early.

2. Study in Short, Focused Sessions

Break your study time into manageable blocks (e.g. 30 – 45 minutes). Review a handful of questions, reflect on the explanations.

3. Learn from the Explanations

After answering a question, always read the explanation, even if you got it right. It reinforces key points, corrects misunderstandings, and teaches subtle distinctions between similar answers.

4. Track Your Progress

Use bookmarks or notes (if reading digitally) to mark difficult questions. Revisit these regularly and track improvements over time.

5. Simulate the Real Exam

Once you're comfortable, try taking a full set of questions without pausing. Set a timer and simulate test-day conditions to build confidence and time management skills.

6. Repeat and Review

Don't just study once, repetition builds retention. Re-attempt questions after a few days and revisit explanations to reinforce learning. Pair this guide with other Examzify tools like flashcards, and digital practice tests to strengthen your preparation across formats.

There's no single right way to study, but consistent, thoughtful effort always wins. Use this guide flexibly, adapt the tips above to fit your pace and learning style. You've got this!

Questions

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- 1. What should you do if you are stopped by the police while carrying a concealed weapon in Virginia?**
 - A. Do not inform the police
 - B. Immediately inform the police
 - C. Only inform the police if asked
 - D. Run away

- 2. Does Virginia recognize Concealed Handgun Permits from other states?**
 - A. No, under no circumstances
 - B. Yes, from all states
 - C. Yes, but only from states with reciprocal agreements
 - D. Yes, if the holder is just passing through Virginia

- 3. Under what circumstance can a Virginia CHP be revoked?**
 - A. Receiving a speeding ticket
 - B. Moving to another state
 - C. Being convicted of a felony
 - D. All of the above

- 4. What happens if your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is denied?**
 - A. You can never reapply
 - B. You must wait a mandatory 5-year period before reapplying
 - C. You may appeal the decision
 - D. You must complete additional firearms training

- 5. Is a background check required every time you purchase a firearm in Virginia if you have a CHP?**
 - A. Yes, without exceptions
 - B. No, the CHP exempts you from background checks
 - C. Yes, but only for private sales
 - D. No, but only when purchasing from a licensed dealer

- 6. Can non-residents apply for a Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit?**
- A. Yes, through the mail
 - B. No, they must be Virginia residents
 - C. Yes, but only if they work in Virginia
 - D. Yes, through any local courthouse
- 7. Are fingerprints required for a Virginia CHP application?**
- A. Yes, for all applicants
 - B. No, fingerprints are not required
 - C. Yes, but only for non-residents
 - D. Yes, but only for first-time applicants
- 8. How soon must a CHP holder notify the issuing Circuit Court of an address change within Virginia?**
- A. Within 30 days
 - B. Within 10 days
 - C. Immediately
 - D. Within 60 days
- 9. What happens if your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is lost or destroyed?**
- A. You must wait for the renewal period to get a new one
 - B. You cannot replace it; you must reapply for a new permit
 - C. You must report it to the police but do not need a replacement
 - D. You must notify the issuing circuit court to request a replacement
- 10. How can someone renew their Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit?**
- A. In person at the local court
 - B. Online through the Department of State Police website
 - C. By mail with the local sheriff's office
 - D. Any of the above methods

Answers

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1. B
2. C
3. C
4. C
5. A
6. A
7. B
8. A
9. D
10. D

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Explanations

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1. What should you do if you are stopped by the police while carrying a concealed weapon in Virginia?

- A. Do not inform the police
- B. Immediately inform the police**
- C. Only inform the police if asked
- D. Run away

When you are stopped by the police while carrying a concealed weapon in Virginia, it is important to immediately inform the police that you have a concealed weapon. Notifying the police right away shows that you are being transparent and cooperative, which can help prevent any misunderstandings or escalate the situation. This proactive approach demonstrates your commitment to following the law and can help ensure a safe interaction between you and law enforcement. It is essential to follow the law enforcement officer's instructions carefully and keep your hands visible at all times during the encounter. Options A, C, and D are not the recommended actions to take. Remember that transparency and cooperation are key when interacting with law enforcement while carrying a concealed weapon.

2. Does Virginia recognize Concealed Handgun Permits from other states?

- A. No, under no circumstances
- B. Yes, from all states
- C. Yes, but only from states with reciprocal agreements**
- D. Yes, if the holder is just passing through Virginia

Virginia does recognize Concealed Handgun Permits (CHP) from other states, but this recognition is based on reciprocal agreements. This means that Virginia will only recognize CHPs from states that have established agreements with Virginia regarding the recognition of each other's permits. It is important for permit holders to be aware of which states have reciprocity with Virginia to ensure they are legally carrying their concealed weapon when traveling out of state.

3. Under what circumstance can a Virginia CHP be revoked?

- A. Receiving a speeding ticket
- B. Moving to another state
- C. Being convicted of a felony**
- D. All of the above

A Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit (CHP) can be revoked if the permit holder is convicted of a felony. Felony convictions are serious offenses that generally result in the loss of the privilege to carry a concealed handgun. Speeding tickets and moving to another state are not generally reasons for revocation of a CHP in Virginia.

4. What happens if your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is denied?

- A. You can never reapply
- B. You must wait a mandatory 5-year period before reapplying
- C. You may appeal the decision
- D. You must complete additional firearms training

If your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is denied, you may appeal the decision. This is the correct answer because Virginia law allows individuals to appeal the denial of a Concealed Handgun Permit. By appealing the decision, you can present additional information or evidence to support your application and request a review of the initial denial. It's important to follow the specific procedures outlined by the issuing authority for the appeal process. Options A, B, and D are incorrect because they do not accurately reflect the steps you can take if your permit is denied. You are not permanently barred from reapplying, there is no mandatory waiting period of 5 years, and completing additional firearms training is not the immediate course of action in the event of a denial.

5. Is a background check required every time you purchase a firearm in Virginia if you have a CHP?

- A. Yes, without exceptions
- B. No, the CHP exempts you from background checks
- C. Yes, but only for private sales
- D. No, but only when purchasing from a licensed dealer

In Virginia, a background check is required every time someone purchases a firearm regardless of whether or not they have a CHP (Concealed Handgun Permit). This means that even if someone has a CHP, they will still have to undergo a background check when purchasing a firearm. Option B is incorrect as the CHP does not exempt someone from undergoing a background check. Option C is incorrect because a background check is still required for private sales. Option D is incorrect because while a background check is not required for a CHP holder to purchase a firearm from a licensed dealer, it is still required for all firearm purchases in the state. Therefore, the correct answer is A - a background check is required every time a firearm is purchased in Virginia, even if the buyer has a CHP.

6. Can non-residents apply for a Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit?

- A. Yes, through the mail
- B. No, they must be Virginia residents
- C. Yes, but only if they work in Virginia
- D. Yes, through any local courthouse

Non-residents can apply for a Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit through the mail. It is not required for them to be Virginia residents to obtain the permit. This option allows individuals who may not reside in Virginia but desire a permit to carry a concealed handgun in the state to still apply and obtain the necessary permit.

7. Are fingerprints required for a Virginia CHP application?

- A. Yes, for all applicants
- B. No, fingerprints are not required**
- C. Yes, but only for non-residents
- D. Yes, but only for first-time applicants

Fingerprints are not required for a Virginia CHP (Concealed Handgun Permit) application for all applicants, whether they are residents or non-residents. This means that individuals who have already been issued a CHP in Virginia do not need to submit fingerprints again when renewing their permit. Additionally, first-time applicants do not need to submit fingerprints either. This is because Virginia uses a background check system that does not require fingerprinting. Options A, C, and D were incorrect because they all incorrectly state that fingerprints are required in some way.

8. How soon must a CHP holder notify the issuing Circuit Court of an address change within Virginia?

- A. Within 30 days**
- B. Within 10 days
- C. Immediately
- D. Within 60 days

A CHP holder must notify the issuing Circuit Court of an address change within Virginia within 30 days. This requirement is essential to ensure that the court has accurate and up-to-date information on the permit holder's current residence. Failing to report an address change within the specified timeframe may result in potential legal consequences or even the revocation of the concealed handgun permit.

9. What happens if your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is lost or destroyed?

- A. You must wait for the renewal period to get a new one
- B. You cannot replace it; you must reapply for a new permit
- C. You must report it to the police but do not need a replacement
- D. You must notify the issuing circuit court to request a replacement**

If your Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit is lost or destroyed, the correct course of action is to notify the issuing circuit court to request a replacement. It is essential to inform the issuing authority so they can issue you a new permit to replace the lost or damaged one. This process ensures that you have a valid permit for legal purposes. Option A is incorrect because waiting for the renewal period is not the appropriate action in this situation. Option B is incorrect as you do not need to reapply for a new permit, but rather request a replacement. Option C is also incorrect as it is essential to have a valid permit, and simply reporting it to the police without seeking a replacement does not address the issue of not having a permit in your possession when required.

10. How can someone renew their Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit?

- A. In person at the local court
- B. Online through the Department of State Police website
- C. By mail with the local sheriff's office
- D. Any of the above methods**

Someone can renew their Virginia Concealed Handgun Permit through any of the methods mentioned in the options. They have the flexibility to renew in person at the local court, online through the Department of State Police website, or by mail with the local sheriff's office. This allows permit holders to choose the method that is most convenient for them when it comes time for renewal.

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Next Steps

Congratulations on reaching the final section of this guide. You've taken a meaningful step toward passing your certification exam and advancing your career.

As you continue preparing, remember that consistent practice, review, and self-reflection are key to success. Make time to revisit difficult topics, simulate exam conditions, and track your progress along the way.

If you need help, have suggestions, or want to share feedback, we'd love to hear from you. Reach out to our team at hello@examzify.com.

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We wish you the very best on your exam journey. You've got this!

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