

## Guidelines for a Gun Show

All Gun Shows within Illinois must be registered and recognized by the Illinois State Police.

### 430 ILCS 65/1.1 – Firearm Owner’s Identification FOID Act

*"Gun show" means an event or function:*

- (1) at which the sale and transfer of firearms is the regular and normal course of business and where 50 or more firearms are displayed, offered, or exhibited for sale, transfer, or exchange; or*
- (2) at which not less than 10 gun show vendors display, offer, or exhibit for sale, sell, transfer, or exchange firearms.*

*"Gun show" includes the entire premises provided for an event or function, including parking areas for the event or function, that is sponsored to facilitate the purchase, sale, transfer, or exchange of firearms as described in this Section.*

*"Gun show" does not include training or safety classes, competitive shooting events, such as rifle, shotgun, or handgun matches, trap, skeet, or sporting clays shoots, dinners, banquets, raffles, or any other event where the sale or transfer of firearms is not the primary course of business.*

- A Gun Show must be registered with the Illinois State Police. Registration forms may be found on the department’s website at [www.isp.state.il.us](http://www.isp.state.il.us).
- All FFL transactions occurring on-site **must** be called into the Illinois State Police, Firearm Transfer Inquiry Program (866-752-1246) for a background check against the National Instant Criminal History Background Check System.
- Buyers must be at least 18 years of age.
- Buyers cannot be prohibited by the laws of Illinois, state of residence, or United States from possessing firearms.
- Individuals from IN, WI, IA, MO or KY or persons with a valid non-resident hunting license, may purchase shotguns or rifles in accordance to 430 ILCS 65/3a(b).

*(b) "Any resident of Iowa, Missouri, Indiana, Wisconsin or Kentucky or a non-resident with a valid non-resident hunting license, who is 18 years of age or older and who is not prohibited by the laws of Illinois, the state of his domicile, or the United States from obtaining, possessing or using a firearm, may purchase or obtain a rifle or shotgun in Illinois."*

Pursuant to 720 ILCS 5/24-3(A)(g)(3) The waiting period does not apply to “the sale of a firearm to a nonresident of Illinois while at a firearm showing or displaying recognized by the Illinois Department of State Police”.