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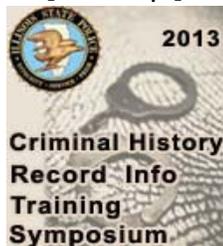
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Concealed Carry Frequently Asked Questions

DISCLAIMER: Answers provided to the following questions are meant only to give general guidance. The answers do not and are not meant to replace statutory language.

On July 9, 2013, Public Act 98-63, the Firearm Concealed Carry Act, became state law (430 ILCS 66).

You may view the full text of the law at <http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0063.pdf>

If you have a question regarding the Firearm Concealed Carry Act that is not addressed in this Frequently Asked Questions document, please call (217) 782-7980.

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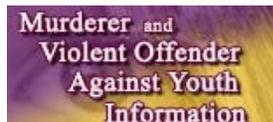
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