

**FIREARMS SURRENDER AND RETURN TERMS**  
**For RESPONDENTS under RESTRAINING ORDERS**

The restraining order against you may immediately prohibit you from possessing firearms and ammunition and require you to surrender them. Read carefully the firearms section (page 7, section 18 & 19 of the Family Abuse Prevention Order; page 3, section 9 for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities Abuse Prevention Order; page 3, section 7 for Sexual Abuse Prevention Order). Whether or not those sections are checked, the boxed notice in these sections tells you that state criminal law also prohibits you from possessing firearms as soon as *a hearing is held continuing the restraining order or your hearing right expires*. Read your order carefully to know whether the gun ban is in effect now, or will be soon.

**AS SOON AS THE RESTRAINING ORDER PROHIBITS YOU from possessing firearms and ammunition, you must do ONE of the following within 24 HOURS.**

1 Surrender to Law Enforcement or a Licensed Gun Dealer all firearms and/or ammunition in your possession, control, or custody.

If the *Firearms Prohibition and Dispossession* box is checked on the restraining order you must surrender them at the time you are served with the restraining order. If the firearms or ammunition are not in your custody at that time, you must surrender them to law enforcement (see bottom of page) or a licensed gun dealer within 24 hours of when the gun ban is in effect.

or

2. Have an eligible Third Party take possession of any firearms and/or ammunition in your possession, control, or custody.

You must arrange for an Oregon State Police criminal background check on the third party you select. That Third Party cannot live with you. To get a background check, you must contact a licensed gun dealer. A fee applies. The Third Party must complete the *Third Party Recipient's Declaration* provided to you.

**AND, WITHIN 2 COURT (BUSINESS) DAYS, YOU MUST FILE WITH THE COURT AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE A DECLARATION, WITH PROOF OF TRANSFER.**

These documents will tell the court:

- A. That you have no firearms or ammunition.
- B. The person/agency you gave the guns & ammunition to, and other details of the transfer.
- C. Or that you do not want to answer because you do not want to incriminate yourself.

The **Firearms Declaration** is included in your service packet. It is also available at Central Public Service Counter on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the courthouse or online at: <http://courts.oregon.gov/courts/multnomah>. Declarations must be filed on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (Family Law counter) of the Multnomah County Courthouse or East County Courthouse **AND** with the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office.

**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH COURT-ORDERED TERMS ABOUT FIREARMS POSSESSION AND SURRENDER  
MAY SUBJECT YOU TO A CONTEMPT OF COURT CHARGE OR A CRIMINAL CHARGE.**

**OPTION TO SURRENDER TO LAW ENFORCEMENT**

The Portland Police Bureau and the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office will accept unloaded firearms and ammunition or individuals under restraining orders, *regardless of the location of the respondent's residence*.

Portland Police Bureau  
Central Precinct  
1111 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
Portland, Oregon 97204  
Hours: 24 hours/7 days a week  
503/823-0097

Portland Police Bureau  
Property & Evidence Division  
2619 NW Industrial Way  
Portland, Oregon 97210  
Hours: 9-12; 1-4 M-F  
503/823-2179

Multnomah County Sheriff's Gun  
Dispossession Unit (GDU)  
234 SW Kendall Ct  
Troutdale, OR 97060  
GDU Phone 503-988-0066  
[GDU@mcsso.us](mailto:GDU@mcsso.us)      [www.mcsso.us](http://www.mcsso.us)

**RETURN of firearms/ammunition:** The firearm/ammunition ban ends when the restraining order expires or earlier if ended by court order. The law requires another background check on you be done law enforcement, a dealer, or a third party returns your firearms or ammunition to you.