

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

The State of Texas

and

The State of Utah

concerning Concealed Handgun Permit Reciprocity

WHEREAS, the State of Texas has the authority to issue a Concealed Handgun License pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code § 411, Subchapter H; and

WHEREAS, the State of Utah has the authority to issue a Concealed Firearm Permit pursuant to U.C.A. 1953 § 53, Chapter 5, Part 7; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is authorized to recognize the validity of a nonresident concealed handgun license if the Texas Attorney General determines that a background check of each applicant for a license issued by the other state is conducted by state or local authorities, or agent thereof, before the license is issued to determine the applicants' eligibility to possess a firearm under the Federal Gun Control Act (18 U.S.C. § 922); and

WHEREAS, the Texas Attorney General has made such affirmative determination with respect to the State of Utah; and

WHEREAS, the State of Texas is therefore authorized to recognize the validity of Utah Concealed Firearm Permits pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code § 411.173 (b); and

WHEREAS, the State of Utah is authorized to recognize the validity of a nonresident concealed handgun license pursuant to U.C.A. 1953 § 76-10-523 (2) (b); and

WHEREAS, Concealed Handgun License reciprocity between Texas and Utah is thus supported by the laws of both states;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties do hereby agree as follows:

1. The State of Texas shall give full faith and credit to valid Concealed Firearm Permits issued by the State of Utah, except as limited below; and
2. The State of Utah shall give full faith and credit to valid Concealed Handgun Licenses issued by the State of Texas.
3. Persons carrying a concealed weapon in the reciprocal state shall comply

with all laws, rules and regulations governing the use and carrying of a concealed weapon in that reciprocal state.

4. The state of Texas and the State of Utah will inform each other of any changes to their respective concealed carry weapons statutes that may affect the eligibility of the recognition granted by each state.

This Memorandum of Agreement applies only to the carrying of handguns by valid license holders from the respective states and not to any other types of weapons. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "handgun" shall be defined by the laws, rules and regulations of the host state.

This Memorandum of Agreement becomes effective on the date of the final signature and shall continue in effect unless modified by mutual written consent, or terminated by either state upon thirty (30) days' written notice. This document is not intended to limit or restrict the statutory authority or jurisdiction of either state.



RICK PERRY  
Governor of Texas

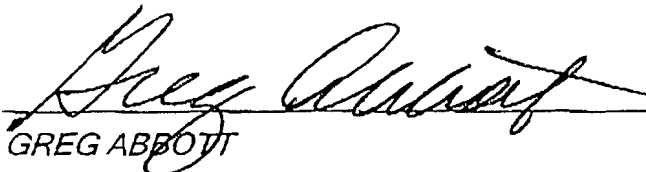


ROBERT L. FLOWERS  
Commissioner  
Utah Department of Public Safety

DATE 8/6/04

DATE 8/30/04

*I hereby certify that a background check of each applicant for a license issued by the State of Utah is conducted by Utah or its local authorities, or an agent of the State of Utah or its local authorities, before the license is issued to determine the applicants' eligibility to possess a firearm under federal law.*



GREG ABBOTT  
Attorney General of Texas