



How to Get Your Ontario Security Guard License: The Complete Process



Congratulations on taking the first step towards becoming a licensed security guard in Ontario! This comprehensive guide will walk you through the entire process, from understanding the requirements to obtaining your license.

Definition: A security guard is a person who performs work, for remuneration, that consists primarily of guarding or patrolling for the purpose of protecting persons or property.

Overview

To ensure easy understanding, we will discuss the licensing process in steps. There are four steps that you need to follow to become a licensed security guard:

Step 1: Understanding the Requirements

Step 2: Complete a Mandatory Training Course

Step 3: Pass the Security Guard Test

Step 4: Apply for your Security Guard License

GET SECURITY GUARD LICENSE

in 4 Steps

Follow these steps to become a security guard in Ontario.



Understanding the Requirements

To be eligible for a license, the following requirements must be met:

- You are 18 years old or older
- You are legally entitled to work in Canada
- You have a clean criminal record according to Ontario Regulation 37/08, pursuant to the Private Security and Investigative Services Act, 2005

Note: You will need a Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check (CRJMC) for security guard license application.

Complete a Mandatory Training Course

Now that you understand the requirements, it's time to find a training provider. All new security guards must complete a basic training course, and choosing the right provider is crucial.

Look for a training provider that's recognized by the Ministry of Solicitor General. This ensures you're getting quality education that meets the province's standards.



The basic security guard training course must be at least 40 hours long and includes certification in emergency first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). However, if you already have a valid first aid/CPR certificate from a certified instructor (such as St. John Ambulance or Workplace Safety Insurance Board certified instructor), you can opt out of this portion of the training by providing your certificate to the training provider.

Training can be completed either online or in-person, depending on your preference and the options offered by the training provider. Once you successfully complete the course, you'll receive a certificate of completion and a Training Completion Number (TCN). You'll need this TCN to book your security guard test.

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Enroll into a 40-hour [Online Security Guard Training Course](#).

Pass the Security Guard Test

You must pass the basic ministry test before you can apply for a license and work as a security guard. This exam tests your knowledge of key concepts covered in the Basic Security Training Course. After completing your training. You can book your security guard test.

On behalf of the Ministry of the Solicitor General, Serco Canada Inc. administers security guard and/or private investigator tests at DriveTest Centres across the province. Additionally, you can take the test online if you have a computer with a webcam.

Starting September 11, all online test candidates are required to download the SGT Online Exam Browser before their test date. You can find more information on this process on our website, links are provided at the end of the document.

To book your security guard test, you will need the Training Completion Number (TCN) from your security training provider. The TCN is issued upon completing the mandatory training and passing the mandatory test for the license type(s) you are applying for.

An Ontario Testing Completion Number (TCN) is issued upon completion of the mandatory training and the successful passing of the mandatory test for the license type(s) you are applying for. This is not required if you hold a valid (not expired, suspended, or revoked) equivalent out-of-province (OOP) security guard or private investigator license issued from a regulatory authority in another Canadian province or territory.

Tests consist of 60 multiple-choice questions based on topics covered in the basic training courses. You will have 75 minutes to complete each test. You must score 62% to pass.

Each test is \$35.00 CAD plus 13% HST for a total of \$39.55 CAD. The fee includes your test reservation, test administration, and test marking; it does not include the ServiceOntario licensing fee.

Try it: FrontGuard Security Training offers [practice tests](#) to help you prepare and pass your exam with ease.

Apply for your Security Guard License

After successfully passing your security guard test, you can proceed to apply for your Ontario security guard license.

To complete the application, you will need to submit the following items:

- Your Ontario Testing Completion Number (TCN) or out-of-province (OOP) required license information.
- Your Ontario mailing address for correspondence.
- Your Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check (CRJMC) in its official format.
- A passport-quality photo that meets the photo requirements.
- The front and back of two different valid (non-expired) government-issued identification documents (IDs).
- The appropriate payment for your license type, which is \$80 for the application.

Once you receive your security guard and/or private investigator license, note that the expiry date is linked to your date of birth. It will expire two birthdays after the day it is issued. For example, if your birthday is December 15 and your first license was issued on October 1, 2024, your license will expire on December 15, 2025.

When your valid license is renewed, the renewal date will always be two years in the future and linked to your date of birth.

It's crucial to carry a digital version or a printed copy of your license at all times and be prepared to show it upon request.

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Resources

If you're seeking more information on specific topics related to security training or advancing your career in security, here are some resources that might be helpful:

FrontGuard Security Training Website: Visit our official website for comprehensive details about our [security guard courses](#), enrollment options, and more.

Read more on security guard license:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/security-guard-or-private-investigator-licence-individuals>

Watch Video: [How to Get a Security Guard License in Ontario?](#)

Watch Video: [How to Sign Up for a Security Guard Training Course in Ontario?](#)

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