

Peace Officer Status of Probation and Parole Officers October 2006

(States noted with * have been updated for 2005/2006. See complete description on-line at http://www.appa-net.org/information/National_Firearms/index.htm)

Yellow highlights are for states or territories that have not responded

Due to the complexity in each state's regulations, it is recommended that you also consult the full descriptions noted at the above link

	Probation		Parole	
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile
Alabama*	Y	N	Y	N
Alaska*	Y	Y	Y	Y
American Samoa	--	--	--	--
Arizona*	Y	Y	N	Y ¹
Arkansas*	Y	N	Y	N
California*	Y ²	Y ²	Y	Y
Colorado*	Y	Y	Y	N
Connecticut*	Y	Y	N	N
Delaware	Y	Y	Y	Y
District of Columbia*	--	Y	--	N
Florida*	N ³	N	N ³	N
Georgia*	Y	N	Y	N
Guam* (probation only)	Y	Y	--	--
Hawaii*	N	N	N	N
Idaho*	N	N	N	N
Illinois* (parole only)	Y	Y	Y ¹	Y ¹
Indiana*	N	N	N	N
Iowa*	Y	Y	Y	Y
Kansas*	N	N	--	N
Kentucky*	Y	N	Y	N
Louisiana*	Y	Y	Y	Y
Maine	N	Y	N	Y
Maryland	N	N	N	N
Massachusetts	N	N	N ⁴	N
Michigan	N	N	N ⁵	N
Minnesota*	N	N	N	N
Mississippi*	Y	N	Y	N

¹ Limited Peace Officer status

² Only those officers required or who choose to carry firearm

³ Adult P/P officers are not Peace Officers, but do have power to arrests those under supervision. They are not authorized to transport offenders.

⁴ Not Peace Officers, but are considered law enforcement as special state police officers

⁵ Officers have power to arrest parolees, but are not peace officers

	Probation		Parole	
	Adult	Juvenile	Adult	Juvenile
Missouri*	N ⁶	N ⁵	N ⁵	N ⁵
Montana*	N ⁵	N	N ⁵	N
Nebraska*	N ⁷	N ⁶	N ⁶	N ⁴
Nevada* (adult only)	Y	Y	Y	Y
New Hampshire*	N ⁶	N ⁶	N ⁶	N ⁶
New Jersey*	N ⁸	N ⁷	Y	--
New Mexico*	Y	N ⁷	Y	N ⁴
New York* (probation only)	Y	Y	Y	N
North Carolina*	N ⁵	N	N ⁵	N
North Dakota	Y	N	Y	N
Northern Mariana Islands	--	--	--	--
Ohio*	Y ²	--	Y ²	N
Oklahoma* (adult p/p only)	Y	N	Y	N
Oregon	Y	N	Y	N
Pennsylvania	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²	Y ²
Puerto Rico				
Rhode Island	N	N	N	N
South Carolina* (juvenile p/p only)	Y	N ⁹	Y	N ⁸
South Dakota*	N ⁷	N ⁷	N ⁴	N
Tennessee	N	N	N	N
Texas	N	N ⁷	N	N
Utah*	Y	N ⁷	Y	N ⁷
Vermont*	N ⁶	--	N ⁶	--
Virgin Islands	N	N	N	N
Virginia (adult only)*	N	N	N	N ⁴
Washington*	N ⁶	Y	N ⁶	Y
West Virginia*	N ⁶	N	N ⁵	N
Wisconsin	N	N	N	N
Wyoming (adult only)*	N ⁵	N	N ⁵	N

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⁶ Officers are not peace officers, but can arrest probationers or parolees

⁷ Officers have arrest powers, but are not Peace Officers

⁸ Arrest powers limited to probationers

⁹ Current law allows law enforcement certification, but as of 2006, no officers have been certified