

WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S TRAINING UNIT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Local 502 President Mike Royal
FROM: Cpl. James Combs
DATE: June 29, 2009
RE: Retirement CPL License

Many officers believe that once they retire they can carry a concealed handgun using their retired I.D. card or that they are exempt under the Federal H.R. 218 law. Please inform the 502 members that they must have a valid CPL license when they retire in order to carry a concealed handgun.

Under H.R. 218 the officer must have a letter from their employer stating that they retired in good standing. Then, they must pay a \$45.00 fee to MCOLES to process their application. After the application has been processed and approved they will be given a number to Macomb Community College. They will have to schedule a date and time to attend a class and qualify on the new course of fire. All fees will have to come out of the retiree's pocket.

After they have successfully completed the class and range portion they will be issued an I.D. card that is valid for 1-year. The officers will have to repeat the process each year and pay the fees on their own. Also, the license under H.R. 218 does not exempt them from the pistol free zones.

The Michigan CPL license cost \$105.00, is valid for 5-years and exempts law enforcement officers from the pistol free zones.

If an officer is planning on retiring, please have them contact me for a certificate. Also, if they begin to process their CPL license application before they retire they do not need a letter from their employer.

To review, all retired law enforcement officers must have a valid CPL license if they plan on carrying a concealed handgun when they retire. There are no exceptions and the retired I.D. card is not a license to carry concealed.

Also, retired law enforcement officers are not authorized to carry under H.R. 218 unless their agency certifies them or they have completed an MCOLES approved course at their own expense.

Should you have any additional questions please feel free to contact me at (734) 287-2225.