



BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE PRESS RELEASE

BCSO Offers Monthly Weekend Hours for Pistol Permits and Firearm Safety Course

(TOWN OF DICKINSON, NY) The Broome County Sheriff's Office is announcing monthly weekend office hours for pistol permit processing, as well as a new BCSO Firearm Safety Course for community members to learn more about safe and responsible gun ownership.

On Saturday, April 11, 2026, the Broome County Sheriff's Office Identification/Pistol Permit Office will begin Monthly Weekend Office Hours from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM to help process pistol permit applications and other businesses for community members who are unable to visit during weekly business hours.

The BCSO ID/Pistol Permit Office is open Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM to process pistol permit applications and updates, gun registration, Sheriff Identification Cards and more. Once per month, community members will now have an additional opportunity to take care of their pistol permit or other business if they are unable to stop in during regular business hours.

“From the start, we’ve focused on ways to improve every aspect of the Broome County Sheriff's Office,” said Sheriff Fred Akshar. “From expanding visitation hours, programming and services in the Correctional Facility, to creating the Strategic Response Group to target persistent public safety concerns, to now expanding services and education for community residents and responsible gun owners. We’ve listened to several local residents who have been unable to make it into our ID/Pistol Permit Office during the week to apply for pistol permits, transfer ownership or make changes to their gun registry due to work schedule or other circumstances. These monthly weekend office hours offer more time for our residents to complete the necessary steps to ensure they remain lawful and responsible gun owners.”

Community members are also invited to register for the first BCSO Firearm Safety Course provided by the BCSO Training Division, which will also take place on Saturday, April 11, 2026. The free Firearm Safety Course will provide a general introduction to firearms, firearm safety, gun responsibility, safe handling, proper storage and more.

General Information:
(607) 778-1911

Fiscal:
(607) 778-2928

Garnishees:
(607) 778-2926

Civil:
(607) 778-2145

Identification:
(607) 778-2924

Records:
(607) 778-2166

All BCSO Firearm Safety Course registrants are subject to background checks and approval by the Broome County Sheriff's Office prior to enrollment in the course. Once background checks are completed and approved, registrants will be contacted with course details, times and location for the April 11th training.

Course space is limited, so please visit the link below to register for the BCSO Firearm Safety Course today:

<https://broomecountyny.gov/sheriff/id/firearm-safety-classes>

“Safe, responsible gun ownership and the proper knowledge and respect for firearms are key to building a stronger, safer community,” said Sheriff Akshar. “Our outstanding members of the BCSO Training Division is here to help our community members, whether they are gun owners or not, learn more about the responsibilities of legal gun ownership, safe and proper storage and more.”

Full schedule of Monthly Weekend Office Hours for the BCSO ID/Pistol Permit Office for 2026:

- Saturday, 4/11/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 5/9/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 6/13/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 7/11/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 8/8/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 9/12/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 10/10/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 11/14/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
- Saturday, 12/12/26 from 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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