

26 Consumer Services.

27 (b) "Enhanced firearms training facility" means a facility
28 located on land zoned for agricultural use or the equivalent
29 which is used to train people in the use of firearms and
30 personal safety.

31 (c) "Owner" means a person who:

32 1. Holds the legal title to the agricultural land and
33 facilities upon which the enhanced firearms training facility
34 will be licensed; or

35 2. Holds a percentage interest in the agricultural land
36 and facilities that is equal to or greater than the other
37 persons who also hold a legal interest, if the legal title is
38 held in the name of two or more people.

39 (2) The department is authorized to issue a license to
40 designate a facility as an enhanced firearms training facility.
41 To receive such a license, the owner must complete and submit an
42 application to the department and must:

43 (a) Successfully complete a Level 2 background screening
44 as provided in s. 435.04(2). The applicant must submit a full
45 set of fingerprints to the department or to a vendor, an entity,
46 or an agency authorized by s. 943.053(13). The department,
47 vendor, entity, or agency shall forward the fingerprints to the
48 Department of Law Enforcement for state processing and the
49 Department of Law Enforcement shall forward the fingerprints to
50 the Federal Bureau of Investigation for national processing.

51 Fees for state and federal fingerprint processing and retention
52 shall be borne by the applicant. The state cost for fingerprint
53 processing shall be as provided in s. 943.053(3) (e).

54 (b) Not have been convicted of a felony.

55 (c) Successfully complete the National Rifle Association
56 Chief Range Safety Officer training program or an equivalent
57 program conducted by a nationally recognized organization that
58 provides similar firearms training.

59 (d) Hold a valid class "K" firearms instructor license
60 issued by the department.

61 (3) In support of an owner's application submitted under
62 subsection (2), the owner may provide to the department a
63 written attestation from the sheriff who has jurisdiction over
64 the property on which the enhanced firearms training facility is
65 or will be located, if the sheriff, at his or her sole
66 discretion, agrees to provide such attestation, confirming that
67 the sheriff or his or her designee has:

68 (a) Visited the property and facilities on which the
69 enhanced firearms training facility is or will be located.

70 (b) Determined that the property and facilities are large
71 enough and sufficient enough to be designated as an enhanced
72 firearms training facility.

73 (c) Determined that the property and facilities may
74 fulfill a public safety training need, including providing a
75 place for the sheriff or a law enforcement agency to provide

76 firearms or other training to the public, including such
77 training as authorized under s. 37, chapter 2023-18, Laws of
78 Florida.

79 (4)(a) An enhanced firearms training facility license
80 issued by the department is valid for 12 months and must be
81 renewed annually by the owner to remain valid.

82 (b) The department must revoke the license of an enhanced
83 firearms training facility if the department determines that the
84 owner is no longer in compliance with the requirements listed in
85 paragraph (2)(b) or paragraph (2)(d).

86 (5) A sheriff, under an agreement with an enhanced
87 firearms training facility, may provide training for the school
88 guardian program under s. 30.15 at an enhanced firearms training
89 facility.

90 (6) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, an
91 enhanced firearms training facility licensed by the department
92 is not subject to local government planning and zoning or public
93 works restrictions if the facility is located in an
94 unincorporated area of a county.

95 (7) The department may adopt rules to implement this
96 section.

97 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.