HOW TO BECOME A FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEE
In 10 Easy Steps

1. Decide to become a FFL.
2. Request the required forms from ATF.gov.
3. Complete & mail in an accurate application (ATF Form-7) with licensing fee to address on form.
4. The new license application is sent to your local ATF field office.
5. The FFLC conducts a background check on the "responsible persons."
6. Federal Firearms Licensing Center (FFLC) records the application information & reviews for correctness.
7. An Industry Operations Investigator (IOI) conducts an in-person interview with you.
8. The IOI prepares their report & makes a recommendation to issue or deny the license to the area supervisor.
9. The area supervisor reviews the report & submits his/her recommendation to the FFLC.
10. The entire process takes about 60 days from the time your correct application was 1st received.

Assuming all background checks have been completed & your business is in compliance with state & local law, the FFLC will issue the license.

Learn more about the FFL Application Process here.