



Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association Since 1909

The Official State Association of the National Rifle Association and
State Affiliate for the Civilian Marksmanship Program

Candidate and Office Holder Questionnaire

Questions below were selected and relate to current events, issues, and sentiments in our State. They are updated as needed. Several of the questions are survey oriented with no right or wrong answer so don't be afraid to answer.

Question 9 is being asked due to a **constantly lessening proof of competency needed to be demonstrated to obtain an AZ Department of Public Safety Concealed Weapons Permit**. Question 9 is presented to get a pulse on whether the State issued CCW Permit Program is even viable, **only used to register firearms owners**, or in need of total revamping. **This issue is of extreme relevance now due to the flood of those coming into our State with no firearm experience, training, or knowledge of our Statutes, firearm history, and culture. Mandatory training on these issues was removed by the legislature in 2009.**

Question 10 is to obtain add-on opinions after the ASRPA Education and Training Division held the NRA School Shield program which was presented October, 2019 in Phoenix. Other similar programs are available.

Question 11 deals with a mandatory one - hour Firearm Safety Class per semester in public schools. **This is NOT a firearms operation or instruction course question.** Teachers in public schools anywhere in the State could voluntarily become certified, by a recognized Arizona State education organization, free of cost and online. This course would in no way be meant to circumvent emergency procedures in schools. It would *teach students on safety measures and study procedures if legal and illegal firearms are introduced anytime and anywhere in their social environment.*

If a candidate or office holder does not respond, this is noted and reported as "did not respond" to the public. Also, **non incumbent** candidates will be rated on their answers and not penalized with negative ratings for not have voted or served in previous legislative sessions...which they could not anyway.

This 2021 Voter Information Questionnaire is comprised of topics most requested by the members in our State. Results will be assessed by the State Association.

Each candidate will be given a rating from 1 – 10
(10=A+=Top Rating=Solid in supporting the 2nd Amendment)

Candidate and Office Holder Questionnaire Continued

Scores will be forwarded to State Association Membership and posted on our website. Circle one answer per question.

1. Article 26 of the Arizona Constitution states “The right of the individual citizen to bear arms in defense of himself or the state shall not be impaired...” Do you believe this right is absolute? **Yes / No**

2. The modern sporting rifle (Armalite Rifle platform) went on sale to Arizonans in 1965. A fair and accurate estimate is that 1.2 million modern sporting rifles and pistols are in the hands of law-abiding citizens in Arizona. Do you support banning the possession of these firearms from law abiding civilians? **Yes / No**

3. Do you support a mandatory buy-back program for all modern semi-auto sporting shotguns/rifles/pistols? **Yes / No**

(b) Would you support a mandatory buyback of the approximately 2.3 million semi-auto shotguns, rifles, and pistols (non-Armalite Rifle platform firearms) owned by Arizonans which were manufactured and sold from 1896 through 2020? **Yes / No**

4. Do you believe the criminal element (gangs, etc.) gives attention to firearms laws when acquiring firearms for illegal activity? **Yes / No**

5. As Law Enforcement can take custody of or impound about any item considered a threat to the community, do you believe we need additional “Red Flag Laws” in Arizona? **Yes / No**

6. It is already a felony on both State and Federal levels to knowingly transfer a firearm to a person disallowed or deemed a prohibited possessor. Do you believe private firearm sales should be banned in Arizona? **Yes / No**

7. Have you ever attended a Firearm Safety or Instruction Course in Arizona? **Yes / No**

8. Are you or have you been any of the following:

An ASRPA, CMP, NRA, LEOSA, Military, or other legitimate credentialed firearms safety, competitive, or self-defense trainer? **Yes / No**

9. (a) With a record number of firearms being sold throughout the nation and Arizona, do you think Arizona State Government should support new Public Shooting and Training Ranges Statewide? **Yes / No**

If “no” do not proceed to (b) or (c)

(b) Should these ranges be built on non-utilized State and Federal Public Lands for the use of Arizona Citizens? **Yes / No**

(c) If ranges are built on Public Lands do you favor local or Arizona based private clubs and associations to manage and run the ranges **or** State/Federal Employees? **Local-Private / State-Federal Employees.**

9. (a) Do you believe anyone obtaining an Az Department of Public Safety (DPS) State Concealed Carry Permit should be required to have training that is standardized and covering Safety, State/Federal law/statutes, interacting with law enforcement, and firearm competency training as was required pre-2010?

(would not affect Open or Constitutional Carry) **Yes / No**

(b) Do you support **certified firearms trainers** from Law Enforcement/Military, Arizona State Approved Security Guard Schools, the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association, the National Rifle Association, and other recognized in-State Training Organizations to teach the required courses to qualify for an Az Department of Public Safety (DPS) State Concealed Weapons Permit?

Yes / No

10. Do you support armed and well-trained safety personnel in our public schools including school staff? **Yes / No**

11. To enhance safety in our State Public Schools would you support teachers becoming State Certified by an Arizona State recognized education organization to teach a standardized one-hour firearm related safety course once per semester? *The course would deal exclusively with firearm safety situations including finding firearms on or near school grounds, introduction of firearms into groups and at non-school events, how to handle dangerous and uncomfortable situations involving firearms, contacting and reporting an unauthorized person possessing a firearm on campus or at school sponsored events.*

The course would NOT include firearm instruction or operation.

Yes / No

12. Do Arizona Law enforcement agencies and the Arizona Justice system have the responsibility to defend lawful Arizona Citizens God Given Rights to possess, use, and carry firearms in our State? **Yes / No**

Send completed survey to asrpatrainingdivision@gmail.com . You will receive a confirmation and State Association rating via email.

Welcome to the Arizona State Rifle and Pistol Association. We are proud of our heritage which began in 1909 with our first Board of Directors consisting of Carl Hayden and Guy Monthan.

We represent our great State of Arizona, a Second Amendment Sanctuary State, the Colt Peacemaker as our Official State Firearm, and a shooting team flag that became our State Flag.

We are a 501(c)4 organization with Education as our focus.

The ASRPA serves our State with firearm instruction and education on safety, competition, State history, Self Defense, and other aspects of responsible firearm use and ownership.

The State Association teaches our firm belief in the absolute meaning of the Second Amendment from the United States Constitution and our own Arizona Constitution Article 2, Section 26.

We also serve by recommending and sponsoring bills from our legislature which perpetuate our rights as law abiding citizens of the United States and the State of Arizona.

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