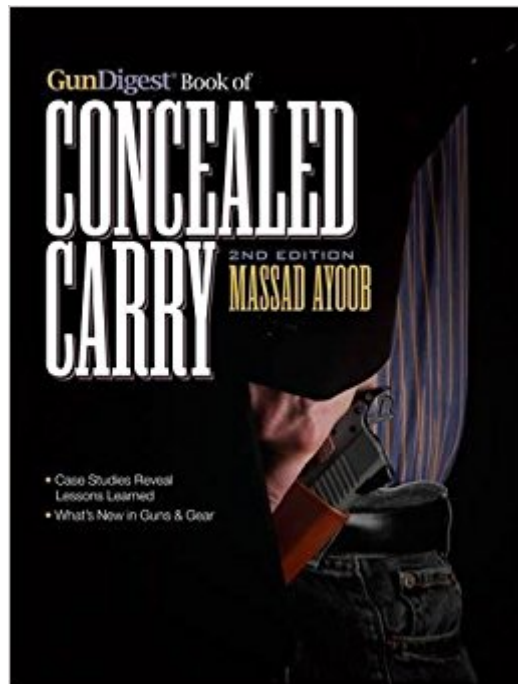




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# Gun Digest Book Of Concealed Carry



## Synopsis

Written by Massad Ayoob, one of the pre-eminent fighting handgun trainers in the world, Gun Digest Book of Concealed Carry 2nd Edition builds upon the best-selling 1st edition by addressing some of the hottest issues surrounding concealed carry today. Understand Castle Doctrine and Stand Your Ground laws. Review case studies that reveal lessons learned. Commentary from Ayoob draws on his experience as an expert witness for courts in weapons and shooting cases. Find out about the latest in holsters and gear, including new personal defense ammunition and lights. As a handgun owner, you owe it to yourself to stay informed and educated about changes in concealed carry laws and personal defense hardware. Gun Digest Book of Concealed Carry 2nd Edition helps you do exactly that.

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## Customer Reviews

Massad Ayoob has published thousands of articles in gun magazines, martial arts publications, and law enforcement journals, and authored more than a dozen books on firearms, self-defense, and related topics. During his distinguished career, Ayoob has won several state and regional handgun shooting championships, appeared as an expert witness for courts in weapons and shooting cases, and currently appears in numerous television shows. He founded the Lethal Force Institute in 1981 and served as its director until 2009, and now trains through Massad Ayoob Group.

I have purchased from a number of Ayoob's excellent books. They are all excellently written in his concise, "police officer" style but with the precise technical detail of a college professor and the

colorful spice of a drinking buddy. If you ever take a gun out of your home, you owe it to yourself and your family to read this book and its message of responsible, tactically wise concealed carry. Thanks Mas !

Great book. I am a NRA Instructor and combat veteran of the Iraq war. I can say without a doubt a very informative and logical discussion about concealed carry with backup notes and actual situations and cases that Mr. Ayoob has experienced as a Senior LEO and expert firearms instructor. The book goes into the details, the deep dive details. This is not a short book it is more of a classroom lecture type reference. I highly recommend it. I have yet to see a book with this level of detail into the how's and why's on CCW, products and mindset. Although this isn't a bad book for someone looking to get their CCW, this is more on the practical applications and procedures of carrying and may require some experience before understanding all of the materials.

Massad Ayoob is certainly one of the recognized true experts in the World of Handguns. Although I have known of Mr. Ayoob for many years and have read many articles of his in magazines over the years, this is actually the first book written by Mr. Ayoob that I have read. I would recommend it highly, especially for anyone just getting into carrying a concealed handgun for the first time. This book is extremely thorough in covering the many aspects that go into the decision to carry a handgun for self-defense. He is obviously very knowledgeable about the subject and is very willing to share his knowledge. His experience as a Policeman and especially his vast experience as an expert witness at gun trials makes reading this book even more valuable. This is an updated version of a book written originally several years ago so some of the subject matter is perhaps slightly "dated". However, the information is still quite relevant. In my opinion, perhaps too much time is spent talking about revolvers as concealed carry handguns (Mr. Ayoob is a "fan" I believe of revolvers and is an expert shot with them). I say this as I believe that "most" people now days are more interested in semi-auto pistols (I could be wrong), but I personally found the information about revolvers very interesting. Overall, this is an excellent reference book for everyone from the novice concealed carrier to a review for the experienced concealed carrier of a handgun. I highly recommend it.

The book is great but the Kindle edition has blank pages where there are large or many photos. The Hardware chapter is particularly bad in this way. You lose several large sections of text as a result. This is frustrating and should have been detected and corrected during proofreading.

Massad Ayoob's writing is clear, concise, and packed with obvious signs of many years of experience in law enforcement. The Gun Digest Book of Concealed Carry (2nd edition) is an excellent, no-nonsense guide to concealed carry. It includes general overviews of carry laws, reasons to carry, legal considerations, pistol types, defensive ammunition, spare magazines/reloading, lights and lasers, holster types, draw techniques, backup pistols, open carry, wardrobe choices, and the benefits of the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA). Some chapters get into some of the finer details of these topics, but really this should be viewed as an excellent primer for anyone who is new to concealed carry, or a wonderful summary of major concepts for more experienced practitioners of concealed carry. Especially nice to see is the second chapter, "Why We Carry", which is one of the best, concise, non-statistics-heavy, non-jargon-intensive defenses of the merits of firearms I've come across. I appreciate that Ayoob recognizes the need to train concealed carry practitioners in clear, concise, effective rebuttals to the many anti-gun myths and misperceptions that circulate in our society. It is very difficult to explain to non-carry-permit-holders why they have virtually nothing to fear--and a lot to gain--by being in the company of an armed, law-abiding citizen. Guns make many people nervous, but Ayoob recounts several simple, practical arguments that remind people why they are a useful and valuable tool that should not be regarded with hysteria, and that ought to be viewed akin to other safety equipment that you hope you never need, but are invaluable in an emergency--much like fire extinguishers. Also included are a number of excellent anecdotes about previous cases Ayoob has worked, and wonderful tips about the logistics of concealed carry (like how to hug someone or reach up to a high shelf without revealing your pistol). Since I'm already reasonably experienced with much of this, I found the chapter on preparation for the legalities of defensive shooting to be the most interesting and valuable (Chapter 4). Ayoob gives excellent advice about how to prepare before and react after a defensive shooting to ensure a strong and credible legal defense in the event you have to fire your pistol to defend yourself. In offering that advice, he debunks a lot of bad advice that circulates in online forums, such as the oft-repeated admonition that you "shouldn't say a word to the cops until after you talk to a lawyer." As Ayoob points out, it's much wiser to say as little as possible, but enough to ensure that evidence is promptly collected at the scene so your story can be corroborated later in the likely event your assailant(s) lie about what happened. He also explains that this requires good mental preparation before you ever find yourself in such a defensive incident, since at that time, your head will be less than clear due to the stress of the situation. Good advice, with ample photos and anecdotes to illustrate major points, and from one of the most

established authorities on carry and shooting related issues. Highly recommended, especially for newcomers who would like to get their bearings in the world of concealed carry, but avoid all the bad advice and B.S. that circulates online.

This new edition is good. It contains some updated and additional information. I would definitely recommend it for someone thinking about concealed carry, especially the chapter dealing with case studies on the aftermath of having to use deadly force to defend themselves. Otherwise, it is just OK. I have only been licensed a few months and I really didn't find much in the book that I didn't already know or could readily find elsewhere free. Still, I appreciate Mr. Ayoob's dedication and effort in producing this book and will be sure to pass it on or recommend it to anyone considering CC.

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