

**Lesson Title**

Iowa issues concealed guns permits to the blind

E-Newscast Video Link

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ih7eljxaYf8>

Video Length

Two minutes and thirty-five seconds

Grade Level

High School & Above

Summary

Due to a change in Iowa's gun permit laws in 2011, people who have visual disabilities are now legally able to obtain a gun permit and carry a concealed firearm. While Disability Rights Iowa and The National Federation of the Blind strongly support the law change, state police are worried about potential fatalities.

Review Questions

Even though people with visual disabilities can obtain a gun permit, what are they not eligible to receive?

What argument does the National Federation of the Blind offer in support of this law?

Does Iowa administer mandatory vision tests in order to obtain a gun permit?

Free writing "Journal" Prompt

Do you think that legally blind people should be permitted to carry a concealed firearm?

What reasons can you think of that a visually disabled person might give for wanting to carry a concealed firearm?

What about this report do you have questions about, or want to know more about?