



DRAGON TACTICAL INTERNATIONAL

7 Things Every Permit Holder Should Carry (But Most Don't)



Most permit holders carry a gun... and almost nothing else.

But real-world self-defense requires more than just firepower.

This guide gives you 7 critical items that increase your effectiveness, protect you legally, and improve your survival odds. These aren't gimmicks, they're field-tested tools used by professionals.

1. Quality Concealed Holster

Secure, comfortable, and covers the trigger. Cheap nylon holsters are dangerous. Don't risk it. Some holsters can get you killed. You need to ensure you carry a safe holster. We cover this in our EDC course.

2. Spare Magazine

Most gunfights don't need extra rounds... until they do. Also useful for clearing malfunctions.

3. Bright Flashlight (Handheld)

Not everything you'll face is a shooting threat. Identify friend/foe in low light. I use mine daily! Bonus: Avoids needing a gun-mounted light.

4. Less-Lethal Option (e.g. Pepper Spray)

You can't shoot everyone who threatens you. Gives you escalation-of-force options in public.

5. Medical Gear (Tourniquet / IFAK)

You're more likely to save a life with a tourniquet than with a bullet. Know how to use it. Carry it if you carry a gun.

6. Legal Protection Plan Card / Contact

Aftermath matters. Have your attorney or self-defense insurance info ready. Don't talk to police without legal counsel. We counsel our students on how to ensure they are protected from the courts as well as armed threats.

7. Training Log / Notes

Document your training to prove you're a responsible citizen. Bonus: Shows intent, skill development, and commitment in court if ever needed.

Bonus Tips

- Don't rely on the gun alone – mindset, movement, and decisions win fights.
- Practice draws and reloads dry-fire weekly.
- Keep gear minimal, functional, and non-printing.

Take the Next Step

Want to go beyond gear and learn how to survive the fight?

Train with us in person at the EDC Mastery course, an 8-hour, live-fire experience focused on real-world survival.

Register now at <https://www.edcmastery.com>