## **Maryland Locksmith Licensing Procedure**

You may obtain and print out an **application for a Maryland Locksmith License** here:

http://www.dllr.state.md.us/forms/lockapp.pdf

You may contact Maryland's Licensing Authority directly here:

DIVISION OF OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING LOCKSMITH LICENSING PROGRAM 500 North Calvert Street, Third Floor Baltimore, MD 21202

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Before applying, be aware of some key requirements for licensing under Maryland's Locksmiths Act:

**Application** - The business owner or the owner's designee must apply for a license using an application supplied by the Secretary of the Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation (DLLR). A person must be over the age of 18 to receive a locksmith license. Passport-size photographs of the owner and each employee must accompany the application, as well as the names, birthdates, residence addresses and driver's license numbers of these individuals.

**Fixed Business Address** - The licensed locksmith must have a single physical location in Maryland that is staffed during designated business hours.

**Criminal background check** - The business owner and all employees must submit to a state and national criminal background check.

**Insurance -** Each licensed locksmith is required to maintain general liability insurance of at least \$300,000.

**Records** - Copies of recipts required by this law shall be kept at the fixed business address for a period of 3 years after the date of the service call.

**Fines -** The new law provides for monetary fines and/or criminal penalties for violations of Maryland's Locksmith Act.

**Renewal** - A license is good for two years and must be renewed at the end of that period.