

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM RETIRED MPD J.M. MCPHAIL

**RETIRED OFFICER FIREARM QUALIFICATION SHOOT**

Dear Retired Officers,

In 2004 the U.S. Congress passed H.R. 218 which allows retired police officers to carry a concealed weapon nationwide. It sets forth requirements which include a yearly firearms qualification with the type of fire carried and a photo ID issued by the agency from which you retired.

The State of Indiana passed a similar legislation I.C. 35-47-15 which requires the retiree's agency to issue a yearly photo ID card and also that the retiree qualify yearly to the agency standard with the type(s) of firearm carried. This is to be at the retiree's expense. Under I.C. 35-47-15-6 neither the City nor the police department can be held liable for providing the evidence of qualification.

This letter is to advise you that between May 6 and May 10, 2013, at the St. Joseph County Police range there will be a Mishawaka Police Department qualification shoot. You may at this time qualify with your weapon(s). You will be responsible for providing your own ammunition. The department range officer will sign the required forms upon your qualification. You will then need to go to Mishawaka Human Resources to get you photo ID. If you have any questions contact Mike McPhail at 574-274-6186. The range is located on Crumstown Highway approximately 1/4 mile north of State Road 23 and is on the west side of the road. Go through the yellow gate and follow the yellow road to the building.

Sincerely,

J.M. McPhail, retired.