

LAW ENFORCEMENT INFORMATION NETWORK Changes to Gun Queries and Responses

This correspondence is being distributed to authorized Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN) user agencies regarding changes to gun queries and responses available through the Law Enforcement Information Network (LEIN).

On November 16, 2016, an enhancement was implemented to the Query Gun (Stolen/Recovered/Lost) transaction (message key QG) which allows users to search for guns by serial number only. All special characters and imbedded spaces must be removed from the serial number, entering only alpha and numeric characters in the serial number field.

A query of a gun by serial number only will search both the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and the Michigan Guns database, and will respond with any record associated with that serial number. Records may include all pistol registrations; stolen, lost, or recovered guns; "checked by" queries (which includes previous queries on that particular serial number); and any notations that exist in the gun's history. Comments are no longer required in the Miscellaneous field to request guns history information. Users may choose to narrow their search results by including information in the Caliber and Make fields.

It is still possible to query a gun by NCIC Number (NIC) only, however, only the NCIC guns database will be searched.

To request a manual search of pre-1990 pistol records, users may send a LEIN administrative message to the Michigan State Police Firearms Records Unit at MI3300800, call 517-241-1917, or send an email to MSP-GUNS@michigan.gov. A Firearms Records Unit staff member will respond during normal business hours. Requesting language added to the Miscellaneous field of the Query Gun transaction will no longer prompt a manual search.

An additional enhancement was implemented to simplify the response to a Gun Query by Name. See the example below:

NAME:DOE, HERMAN DAVID SERIAL NUMBER:TEST282828Z MAKE:SW CAL:9 TYP:PI SHT: RACE:W SEX:M DOB:01/01/1970
DATE OF REGISTRATION:10/03/2016
MD:

Questions on this functionality may be directed to the Firearms Records Unit at 517-241-1917.