



STATE OF TENNESSEE  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & INSURANCE  
DIVISION OF REGULATORY BOARDS  
**LOCKSMITH LICENSING PROGRAM**  
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**TENNESSEE LOCKSMITH  
APPROVED QUALIFYING EDUCATION**

**In order to qualify for a Locksmith License in the State of Tennessee, qualifying education is required.**

**Administrative Rule 0780-05-13-.07 Qualifying Education**

(1) An applicant seeking licensure as a **general locksmith** shall obtain a total of at least thirty (30) hours of basic education with at least one (1) hour in each of the following subjects:

- (a) Vehicle lock service;
- (b) Cylinder servicing, high security cylinders and pin and wafer tumbler cylinders;
- (c) Exit hardware and door closers;
- (d) Lock set functions and installations;
- (e) Lock opening techniques;
- (f) Lock codes and code cutting equipment;
- (g) Master keying;
- (h) Safe combination locks;
- (i) Access control; and
- (j) **Tennessee locksmith laws and rules.**

(2) An applicant seeking licensure under the category of **safe and vault** work shall also complete a total of eight (8) hours of education in any of the following subjects:

- (a) Safe servicing;
- (b) Safe penetration; and
- (c) Safe government service administration (GSA) containers.

(3) An applicant seeking licensure under the category of **automotive work** shall also complete a total of eight (8) hours of education in any of the following subjects:

- (a) Auto openings;
- (b) Key generation; and
- (c) Electronic keys.

The following courses have been approved as qualifying education courses for Tennessee Locksmith License applicants. In order to qualify with the required **thirty (30) hours** of education it may be necessary to complete a combination of courses that would provide the required thirty (30) hours. Be advised, applicants are also required to complete a minimum of **one (1) hour on Tennessee Locksmith Laws and Rules**.

**Cothron's School of Professional Locksmithing [19]**

807 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Austin, TX 78702

512.459.2857

[www.cothrons.com/education.php](http://www.cothrons.com/education.php)

Instructor(s): Hancock, James L. Black, Adam Peach, Joseph T. Woodyear, Grey R.

**Basic Field Locksmith Operations #503 #LS0903.29**

**General Locksmith-428 Hrs**

[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]

**Basic Safe Servicing #LS0903.32**

**Safe & Vault-8 Hrs**

**Fundamentals of Locksmithing #101T**

**General Locksmith-48 Hrs**

[Includes Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws and Rules]

**Safe Manipulation and Servicing #LS0903.37**

**Safe & Vault-16 Hrs**

DETEX Corporation [12]  
302 Detex Drive  
New Braunfels, TX 78130  
830.629.2900  
[www.detex.com](http://www.detex.com)

Instructor(s): Dean, S. Carl

Codes for Doors & Hardware Mystery Revealed #LS0812.20      General Locksmith-4 Hrs  
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]

Elite CEU (Online Education Provider) [13]  
16238 RR 620 N Ste F  
Austin, TX 78717  
512.351.7368  
[www.EliteCeu.com](http://www.EliteCeu.com)

Instructor(s): Brashear, Kaleb

Automotive Key Generation Parts 1-8 #LS0907.08      Automotive-8 Hrs  
General Locksmithing #LS0904.01      General Locksmith-30 Hrs  
[Includes Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws and Rules]  
Tennessee Locksmith Laws and Rules #LS0903.05      General Locksmith-2 Hrs

Foley-Belsaw Institute [2]  
[www.foley-belsaw.com](http://www.foley-belsaw.com)

Advanced Locksmithing #LS0808.07      General Locksmith-30 Hrs  
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]  
Professional Locksmithing #LS0808.08      General Locksmith-30 Hrs  
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]

LOCKMASTERS, INC. [10]  
5085 Danville Road  
Nicholasville, KY 40356  
859.885.6041  
[www.lockmasters.com](http://www.lockmasters.com)

Instructors: Cooper, Jeff Lee      Lamb, Brian K.      Mize, Randy      Taylor, David  
Taylor, Ryan A.      Trepanier, Jeff      Young, Steven E.

Combination Lock Manipulation #LS0812.03      Safe & Vault-16 Hrs  
Domestic Automotive #LS0812.08      Automotive-8 Hrs  
Electronic Safe Lock Servicing #LS0812.07      Safe & Vault-8 Hrs  
Intro to High Security Automotive #LS0812.11      Automotive-8 Hrs  
Key Generation #LS0812.10      Automotive-8 Hrs  
Laguard Electronic Lock Certification #LS0812.04      Safe & Vault-8 Hrs  
Mechanical Safe Lock Servicing #LS0812.09      Safe & Vault-8 Hrs  
Motorcycle Key Generation #LS0812.05      Automotive-8 Hrs  
Safe Deposit Lock Servicing (2 Day) #LS0812.01      Safe & Vault-16 Hrs  
Safe Deposit Lock Servicing (1 Day) #LS0812.02      Safe & Vault-8 Hrs  
Transponders #LS0812.06      Automotive-8 Hrs

Locksmith Video School [14]  
P. O. Box 752851  
Las Vegas, NV 89136-2851  
702.558.9012  
[www.LocksmithVideoSchool.com](http://www.LocksmithVideoSchool.com)

Advanced Locksmith #LS0903.04      General Locksmith-30 Hrs  
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]  
Mid-State Lock and Key [6]  
104 Teelia Drive

Old Hickory, TN 37138  
615.773.6115

[www.midstatelock.com](http://www.midstatelock.com)

Instructor(s): Weidman, James W. Cyree, Chris W. Gillingham, Thomas G. Braxton, Billy H.

Basic Locksmithing 101, 102, 103 & 104 #LS0907.07 General Locksmith-32 Hrs  
[Includes Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws and Rules]

Middle Tennessee Locksmith Association [4]

P. O. Box 293237

Nashville, TN 37229

615.268.4774

[www.midtnlocksmith.org](http://www.midtnlocksmith.org)

Instructor(s): Phelps, Robert

Automotive Transponders & High Security Keys #LS0812.29 Automotive-16 Hrs  
Small Format Interchangeable Core Services #LS0812.28 General Locksmith-8 Hrs  
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]

NAVCO Training Center [7]

943 W 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Corsicana, TX 75110-6358

903.874.3522

Instructor(s): Lipscomb, C. D.

Electronic Safe Lock Servicing #LS0810.01 Safe & Vault-8 Hrs

Security Technical Institute [20]

P. O. Box 87

Sparkill, NY 10976

717.575.1987

[www.securitytechnicalinstitute.com](http://www.securitytechnicalinstitute.com)

[www.lockquiz.com](http://www.lockquiz.com)

Instructor(s): Harvey Arkway Nick Hart Jeffrey C. Davis Tom Lynch  
Thomas C. Seroogy Jeff Sitar

Auto Entry #LS0903.40	Automotive-4 Hrs
Automotive Anti Theft Devices & Steering Wheel Locks #LS0904.41	Automotive-4 Hrs
Automotive Transponders #LS0903.42	Automotive-6 Hrs
Basic Masterkeying #LS0903.46	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Codes and Equipment #LS0903.47	General Locksmith-4 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Cylinder Servicing, Pin and Disc Type #LS0903.48	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Domestic Automotive #LS0903.49	Automotive-6 Hrs
Door Closers #LS0903.50	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Exit Hardware & Alarms #LS0903.50	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Furniture, Cabinet & Mailbox Locks #LS0903.52	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
High Security Automotive #LS0903.53	Automotive-6 Hrs
Import Automotive #LS0903.54	Automotive-6 Hrs
Impressioning #LS0903.55	General Locksmith-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Security Technical Institute (Continued)	
Key Generation #LS0903.57	General Locksmith & Automotive-6 Hrs
[Does NOT include Required Tennessee Locksmith Laws & Rules]	
Keyblank Identification #LS0903.58	General Locksmith-6 Hrs

