



# e4473 with eNICS

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# Overview

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Gearfire Retail provides this document as a high-level summary of the latest release of the e4473 with eNICS. There will be the assumption of basic process knowledge regarding the core functionality with the AXIS software.

For more information and pricing on the eNICS module, please email [AXISSupport@Gearfire.com](mailto:AXISSupport@Gearfire.com). Prior to utilizing electronic 4473 with eNICS you must have approval from the FBI. After approval has been received from the FBI, please contact our Support team to enable the eNICS module so we may assist with the setup process.

# NICS Check ID Type Setup

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NICS Check ID Types will need to be defined for the identification types you select when submitting a NICS check. To set the NICS Check ID Types, follow the process below.

1. Open the Data Center, click the **Setup** tab, and click **Identification Types**
2. To add new identification types, click **New Identification Type**
3. Enter the Identification Name:
4. Enter a number for the sort order starting with one for where in the order you want this ID to appear in the drop-down list when selecting an ID for a customer
5. Select Expiration Required as appropriate
6. Click the NICS Check ID Type drop-down, select the appropriate type for that ID
7. Click **Submit**

► For identification types that were added previously follow the steps below.

1. Click the respective edit pencil for the ID type
2. Click the NICS Check ID Type drop-down, select the appropriate type for that ID
3. Click **Submit**

# Begin the e4473 Process

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Begin an e4473 for a customer using the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click the **Firearms** tab, click **4473**, and click **Start Customer 4473**
2. Click **Select**, locate an existing customer by phone or last name, double-click to select the customer, or click **Add New Customer** to add a new customer
3. Verify the customers' information and click **Submit**

► The customer name will display, and firearms available for disposition will appear with the following options to select one or more firearms for the customer: Select a Layaway, Special Order, or Sales Order from the dropdown list, select firearms by scanning or entering the log number, or locate the firearms in the list, and check the box to select the firearm. Each firearm selected, except for a Layaway, Special Order, or Sales Order, the serial number will need to be verified.

4. Select one or more firearms:
  - a. To select a Layaway, Special Order, or Sales Order, click the drop-down, and select the respective order  
Or
  - a. Scan or enter a log number
  - b. Enter the serial number in the verification window, and click **Verify**  
And/or
  - a. Locate one or more firearm in the list and click the box on the left to select
  - b. Enter the serial number in the verification window, and click **Verify**
5. Question six will update with the text of the number of firearms selected above and can be edited if appropriate
6. Question seven, select Yes or No
7. Questions eight, click the box if facilitating a private party transfer
8. Click **Create 4473 Record**
9. Note the system generated 4473 ID and provide this number to the customer for them to complete their portion of the 4473

# Customer Completion of e4473

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After providing the customer with their e4473 ID number, they will enter that number to begin the Form 4473 program using the following process.

1. The customer enters the 4473 ID from the last step and clicks **Next**
2. The customers' name appears for confirmation, after confirming, click **Yes**

▶ In the event the customers' name is not correct, they should click **No**, and consult a staff member.

3. The Form 4473 program will open a window with information for the customer to review and click **Continue** to proceed
4. The customer should enter appropriate information in the fields provided on each screen and click **Continue** after each
5. To view instructions for the 4473 on any of their screens, click the arrow key in the top left corner next to Show Instructions here
6. After the customer completes their portion of the form, the 4473 will be displayed with the information they entered
7. To Navigate other pages of the 4473 form for review, click the blue arrows at the top left of the screen and use the scroll bar as appropriate

▶ Only the first two pages will have information for the customer to review unless more than three firearms were selected. (See below)

▶ If more than three firearms were selected for the e4473 they can be found on page 7 of the 4473.

8. After the customer is done reviewing the form, click **Continue**

▶ The Buyer Information Certification final statement is displayed, and this is the last opportunity for the customer to go back by clicking Back to make any changes.

9. Once the customer is satisfied with their answers, they will click **I agree with and certify the above statement**

10. The customer will be presented the option to enter an email address and/or phone number or leave blank

11. Lastly, the customer will click **Continue** to complete the form

▶ If the customer enters an email or phone number that does not match what is in your AXIS system, the additional email or phone number will be added to the customer's information in AXIS.

▶ Please note the AXIS Form 4473 program will close and re-open prompting for the next customer to enter their 4473 ID.

# Retailer Completion of e4473

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After the customer informs you they have completed their portion of the form, you will complete the retailer portion next using the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click **4473**, and click **Process Customer 4473**
2. To proceed with the initial processing of a customers' 4473, locate the customer to process the 4473, and click the **green arrow** for the row in the Process column

- ▶ If the customer does not appear in the list, click the refresh icon in the top right corner.
- ▶ The Customer Entered Information screen will display. If any errors or warnings were found with the form, they will be noted in red on the top left side; including information the customer entered compared to the information saved for the customer in AXIS.

## Customer not eligible for a transfer

- ▶ **Important Note:** If the customer answered any questions on the form that would prohibit them from purchasing a firearm, this will also be noted in red stating they are prohibited in all capitals, and the form will automatically be marked dealer denied.

1. In this instance, click **Continue** to view the information in the 4473 form and click **Continue** again

- ▶ A note at the top again will state the customer is prohibited from purchasing a firearm and the form has been marked dealer denied.
  - a. Optionally you can print the form by clicking **Print Form**
  - b. A prompt to save the form as a PDF will appear, select a location to save the file, and click **Save**
  - c. The form will be saved and automatically print to the default printer of the computer
- 2. Click **Mark Dealer Denied**, click **Yes** to confirm marking the form as dealer denied, and click **OK**



## Update Customer Information in AXIS

If the form is not automatically being marked as Dealer Denied and the information entered by the customer is different from the information for the customer in your AXIS system.

1. To update the information in your AXIS system with the information the customer entered on the 4473, click **Update AXIS Record** near the top right

► This will update the customer information in AXIS with the information the customer entered on the 4473.

## Review Information Entered by Customer

1. The customer information can be reviewed in a list format from this screen or click **Continue** to view in the 4473-form format

► To navigate the other pages of the 4473 form for review, click the blue arrows located at the top left and use the scroll bar as appropriate.

► If more than three firearms were selected for the 4473 they can be found on page 7 of the 4473.

2. After review reviewing the information entered by the customer, click **Continue** again

3. The screen will prompt with the following:

- a. Mark Dealer Denied if appropriate to deny the transaction

- i. Confirm the selection and click **OK** to the message the form was marked as dealer denied

- ii. Optionally, the form can be printed by clicking **Print Form**

1. A prompt to save the form as a PDF will appear, select a location to save the file, and click **Save**

2. The form will be saved and automatically print to the default printer of the computer

Or

- b. Click **Back** to return to the previous screen

Or

- c. Click **Continue** to proceed with processing the 4473

## Retailer Completion of 4473 Information

On the following screens to be completed by the retailer, instruction information for each section is available on the left. These instructions can be collapsed or expanded by clicking the arrow at the top left.

1. Complete the Firearm Information and **Continue**
2. Complete the Identification Check information and click **Continue**
3. Complete the NICS Exceptions information and click **Continue**

▶ The Transferor's/Sellers Transaction Serial Number will be entered if utilizing the Transaction Serial Number counter available in Setup, FFL Information

4. Complete Section E information and click **Continue**

▶ The completed 4473-form format will display for final review

▶ To navigate the other pages of the 4473 form to review, click the blue arrows located at the top left and use the scroll bar as appropriate

▶ If more than three firearms were selected for the 4473 they can be found on page 7 of the 4473.

5. After reviewing all information entered is correct, click **Continue**

▶ The Seller Certification statement is displayed, and this is the last opportunity for you to go back, to make any changes.

6. If satisfied with the form and to accept the Seller Certification, click **I agree with and certify the above statement**
7. A prompt to save the form as a PDF will appear, select a location to save the file, and click **Save**
8. The form will be saved and automatically print to the default printer of the computer

▶ The Process Customer 4473 screen will close.

## Updating 4473 Disposition

After completing the remaining information on the printed 4473, including signatures, to continue the process and update the 4473 disposition, use the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click **4473**, and click **Update 4473 Disposition**

- ▶ You may notice three new columns for E-NICS: Submitted By, Date Submitted, and Time Submitted.
- ▶ If the customer does not appear in the list, click the refresh icon in the top right corner.

2. Double-click the row or click on the edit pencil

- ▶ The Update 4473 disposition window will appear with two buttons: Submit Background Check and Check Status.

3. Click **Submit Background Check**, enter your information into the Credentials window that appears including the Contact User ID you previously setup in the NICS Portal, and click **Submit**
4. A window will appear stating the Background Search Submitted Successfully with a new status, NICS transaction number, and Brady Transfer Date
5. Click **OK** to this window and a Check Status will initiate
6. The window will update with the name of the customer and a Status of: Researching, Proceed, Deny, or Cancel, and click **OK** to close the window

- ▶ The date submitted and NICS number returned will be entered into 27.a. and 27.b. respectively.
- ▶ If Proceed, Deny, or Cancel status is returned, the Transaction Serial Number will be entered if utilizing the Transaction Serial Number counter available in the Setup, FFL Information, or if entered while completing the form. Otherwise, enter the Transaction Serial Number as appropriate

7. Select New Disposition from the drop-down list

- ▶ Note that the result returned by NICS is also displayed next to this drop-down

8. Select the transaction to create from the drop-down list, and click **Submit**
9. Proceed with the next process accordingly with the transaction type that was created.

- ▶ If a firearm on Layaway, Special Order, or Sales Order was selected for the 4473, "None" will be the only option available for Transaction to Create allowing you to complete the existing Layaway, Special Order, or Sales Order transaction at the Register.

10. Make any adjustments as appropriate including adding the incoming firearm if a trade
11. Enter Outgoing Notes and/or Additional Notes as appropriate

## 12. Click **Submit**

- ▶ If the transaction type was either a Sale or a Trade, a transaction will be available at the register under the selected buyer's current tab to complete.
- ▶ For a "Consignment Return" or "Transfer Out", no further action is needed

## Researching Status Returned

If Researching is returned, the status can be checked up to once a minute by clicking the **Check Status** button. After 15 minutes with no status being returned, the status will update to Delayed.

1. If no update is returned after three days, click **Check Status** will update the status to: Open
2. Click **OK**

- ▶ The Transaction Serial Number will be entered if utilizing the Transaction Serial Number counter available in Setup, FFL Information, or if entered while completing the form. Otherwise, enter the Transaction Serial Number as appropriate

3. Select New Disposition from the drop-down list, as appropriate for your stores policy

- ▶ Note that the result returned by NICS is also displayed next to this drop-down

4. If appropriate for your stores policy, select the transaction to create from the drop-down list, and click **Submit**
5. Proceed with the next process accordingly with the transaction type that was created.

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# Completing the Transaction at the Register

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The transaction is completed at the Register using the following process.

1. From the register, select the customer
2. Click the **Current** tab
3. Under the Firearm Transactions section, click the transaction to expand
4. To cancel the transaction, click **Cancel Transaction**

Or

To proceed click **Move to Register**

5. The firearms will display in the register, add any other products as appropriate
6. Select the tender type(s)
7. Click **Submit**

► A register receipt will print and if the option is enabled, an 8½ x 11 Word document Firearms receipt will open that can be printed or closed according to your store policy.

# Releasing a 4473 Firearm Hold

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In the event a firearms transaction was not completed such as after a 4473 was started or a delay, the firearm will still be reserved for the 4473. To release a firearm that is reserved for a 4473, use the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click **4473**, and click **Clear Firearms Hold**
2. Locate the firearm to release and click the respective selection box on the left side of the row, or multiple boxes to release multiple firearms

▶ If the firearm is not displayed, click the refresh icon in the top right corner.

3. Click **Release**

▶ Those firearms are now available for sale or to be selected for other 4473s.

# Denied 4473s

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To view only Denied 4473s, use the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click **4473**, and click **Denied 4473s**

▶ Any 4473 denied in the last 8 weeks will be displayed.

1. Optionally, select a date range at the top center
2. Click **Submit** to display

▶ The information will be displayed and can be printed by clicking the respective print icon on the left for the row. A prompt to save the form as a PDF will appear, select a location to save the file, and click **Save**. The form will be saved and automatically print to the default printer for the computer.

# All 4473s

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To access all 4473s, use the following process.

1. Open the Data Center, click **4473**, and click **All 4473s**

- ▶ An ENICS section with three columns will also be included in the view for Submitted By, Date Submitted, and Time Submitted.

- ▶ All 4473 in the last 8 weeks will be displayed.

2. Optionally, select a date range at the top middle, and click **Submit**

- ▶ The information will be displayed and can be printed by clicking the respective print icon on the left for the row. A prompt to save the form as a PDF will appear, select a location to save the file, and click **Save**. The form will be saved and automatically print to the default printer for the computer.