

DAVIDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Human Resources

WEAPONS ON CAMPUS

POLICY 3.4.3

Students, staff, faculty and visitors are legally prohibited from carrying a weapon onto campus unless a legal exception applies. For purposes of this policy, a "weapon" includes firearms, explosives, BB guns, stun guns, air rifles or pistols and certain types of knives or other instruments, including daggers, switchblade knives, razors and razor blades (unless used solely for shaving), dirks, daggers, slingshot, leaded cane, metallic knuckles, bombs, grenades, mine, tear gas, powerful explosives, or fireworks (see N.C.G.S. § 14-269.2).

The prohibition does not apply if the weapon is on campus pursuant to one of the reasons listed in N.C.G.S. § 14-269.2(g), including:

- A.** A weapon used for ceremonial purposes or used in a College-approved program;
- B.** A weapon carried by authorized College security personnel;
- C.** A weapon carried by law-enforcement officers;
- D.** A weapon carried by law enforcement officers instructing for instructional purposes.

It is the individual's responsibility to know and understand the law prior to bringing any weapon onto campus. Failure to follow the law, regardless of the person's intent, will result in appropriate disciplinary action and a referral to local law enforcement.

It is permissible for an individual to bring a handgun onto campus under the following limited circumstances:

- A.** The firearm is a handgun; AND
- B.** The individual has a valid concealed handgun permit (or is exempt from the law requiring a permit); AND
- C.** The handgun remains in either: a closed compartment or container within the locked vehicle of the permit holder; or a locked container securely affixed to the locked vehicle of the permit holder; AND
- D.** The vehicle is unlocked only when the permit holder is entering or exiting the vehicle; AND
- E.** The handgun remains in the closed compartment or container at all times except for a reasonable amount of time for the person to transfer the handgun from the

closed compartment or container to his person or from his person to the closed compartment or container.

Firearms (and other weapons prohibited on campus) may not be stored or transported in College-owned or rented vehicles.

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[Legal Reference: N.C. Session Law 2013-369](#)

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