

Possession of Firearms/Weapons on University Owned or Controlled Premises (University Policy #12080)

Boise State University
Department of Public Safety



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- Purpose – to establish policy for the regulation of the possession of firearms and other weapons on university owned and controlled premises
 - Scope – applies to all firearms and other weapons on university owned or controlled premises
- Responsible Party – General Counsel and Department of Public Safety

[General] Prohibition

[Generally,]

The possession, wearing, carrying,
transporting, or use of a weapon is strictly
forbidden on university owned or controlled
premises.

[subject to exceptions, which follow]

Exceptions to the Prohibition

Possession (with proper I.D.) by:

- Full-time sworn peace officer, reserve officer and qualified law enforcement officers (on or off-duty)
- On-duty armored transport personnel

Concealed carry of firearms (with proper I.D.) by:

- Retired law enforcement officers
- Enhanced Concealed Carry license holders
 - Approximately 1,100 enhanced concealed weapons license holders in Idaho
 - Over 21 years of age, pass background check, pass required training
- NOTE: Ordinary concealed weapons license not included



Exceptions to the Prohibition (cont.)

(i.e., Additional Lawful Weapons Carry on Campus)

- A person who has received prior written authorization from the Executive Director of Public Safety
- Members of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program, when directed by a provision of the program and with the permission of the Executive Director of Public Safety

Never lawful to carry a firearm on campus when:

- Without possession of an enhanced concealed carry license (or law enforcement)
- Under the influence of alcohol
- Within a student dormitory or residence hall (unless law enforcement)
- Within a building of a public entertainment facility (with a seating capacity of 1,000+ people) (unless law enforcement)

Visible Display of Weapon

The law allows concealed carry only with the possession of an enhanced concealed carry license

- Visual display of weapons is never allowed
 - Exceptions: ROTC Training Law Enforcement Color Guard Armored Car Transport

Housing Where Concealed Carry is Not Permitted: (All University Housing)

- Chaffee Hall
- Driscoll Hall
- Keiser Hall
- Morrison Hall
- Taylor Hall
- Lincoln Townhomes
- Sawtooth Hall
- Honors College
- Towers Hall
- Jade Hall
- Jasper Hall
- University Height Apartments
- University Manor Apartments
- University Park Apartments
- University Village Apartments
- Topaz Hall
- Garnett Hall
- Selway Suites
- Payette Suites
- Clearwater Suites

Housing (cont)

Carry of a firearm in student housing is illegal

- Subject to:
 - Possible arrest or citation
 - Loss of concealed weapons license
 - Trespass from campus
 - Student or employee discipline



Public Entertainment Facility Where Concealed Carry is Not Permitted:

(with a seating capacity of 1,000+ people)

- Albertsons Stadium
 - Stueckle Sky Center
 - Hall of Fame
 - Athletics Offices/Varsity Center
 - Gene Bleymaier Football Center
 - Caven-Williams Sport Complex
- Morrison Center
- Taco Bell Arena
- Boas Tennis and Soccer Complex
- Bronco Gym
- Dona Larsen Park
- Student Union Building
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Items of Note:

- The law allows faculty, staff and/or students to carry (concealed only and with one of the two enhanced licenses), but does not permit the display or use of the weapon in any manner
 - Except in prohibited areas
 - All concealed carry or use of a weapon is as a private citizen and NEVER part of an employee's job or official capacity
- If a weapon is spotted by faculty, staff or student, contact Public Safety at 208-426-6911 or Police Dispatch at 911
- All reports of a weapon on campus will have an armed police response

What Happens at Display of Weapon:

- Police response
- Student discipline for disruption, up to and including expulsion from school
- Employee discipline, for disruption and policy violation, up to and including dismissal
- Trespass from campus

Classroom/Faculty Training:

Cannot ban enhanced concealed license holders from having firearms in class or offices

- Can call police or security when feeling threatened
- Can call police or security if a firearm is ever displayed



Notice and Enforcement

- Signage on buildings where firearms are prohibited

The University is continuing to work on its policies and procedures regarding the possession of firearms/weapons on university owned or controlled premises. We will continue to adjust any policies and procedures as needed in the best interest of our faculty, staff and students.





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