# 34.06.02 Weapons

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## **Regulation Statement**

This regulation addresses the possession of a concealed handgun or other weapon on the campus, or in a vehicle, of a member of The Texas A&M University System (system).

### **Reason for Regulation**

This regulation requires members to adopt a campus carry rule in accordance with state law and also provides a mechanism by which members may authorize possession of weapons other than concealed handguns.

## Definitions

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## **Procedures and Responsibilities**

#### 1. CONCEALED HANDGUNS

- 1.1 Each member shall adopt a rule in accordance with Section 411.2031, Texas Government Code, addressing the concealed carry of a handgun by a license holder on the member's campus.
- 1.2 A handgun license holder under Chapter 411, Texas Government Code, may carry a concealed handgun on or about the license holder's person while the license holder is on a member campus or in a member vehicle, unless prohibited by state or federal law, or the member's campus carry rule. The open carrying of a handgun on a member campus is prohibited.

#### 2. PROHIBITION OF OTHER WEAPONS UNLESS PROPERLY AUTHORIZED

Weapons are not permitted on the "premises" of any member, grounds or building on which an activity sponsored by a member is being conducted, or in a member passenger transportation vehicle, unless pursuant to written authorization of the member in accordance with this regulation. This prohibition excludes a concealed handgun carried by a license holder in accordance with state and federal law and the member's campus carry rule.

2.1 <u>Requirements for Authorizing Other Weapons</u>

Members may grant an individual written authorization to possess a weapon, other than a concealed handgun, in accordance with state law and this regulation. Without such written authorization, weapons other than concealed handguns are prohibited on property owned or controlled by the member or in member passenger transportation vehicles.

2.2 <u>Application and Authorization Requirements for Weapons Other than Concealed</u> <u>Handguns</u>

A member shall use the following process for considering an individual's request for authorization to possess a weapon, other than a concealed handgun, on property of that member or in that member's passenger transportation vehicle (including a rental). An individual wishing to apply for authorization must submit a completed <u>A&M System</u> <u>Weapon Authorization Request Form</u> to the member police department or another office designated by the member chief executive officer (CEO). A member CEO or designee is authorized to approve such authorization requests. A list of authorizations must be maintained by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department or another office designated by the member police department office designated by the member OFF.

#### 3. LICENSED PEACE OFFICERS

Licensed peace officers are authorized by law to carry firearms at all times.

4. MEMBERS CONDUCTING BUSINESS ON PROPERTY OF ANOTHER MEMBER

A member conducting business on property assigned to another member will follow the host member's rule (for concealed handguns) or the host member's process (for other weapons) adopted pursuant to this regulation.

### **Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

Tex. Penal Code § 46.01

Texas Statutory Prohibitions

### Appendix

A&M System Weapon Authorization Request Form

# **Member Rule Requirements**

A rule is required to supplement this regulation. See Section 1.1.

# **Contact Office**

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