



Policy: Weapons - Update

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~~Employees who carry weapons onto departmental property in their personal vehicles may not remove the weapons from their vehicles, brandish them, use them to threaten anyone, or use them for any other purpose while on departmental property.~~

~~The term “weapon” is based on the statutory definition of a deadly weapon, other than tools used at work, which could be used to inflict serious bodily harm on another person.~~

In accordance with local ordinance, no person, except sworn law enforcement officers, shall carry concealed deadly weapons in city-owned or city-leased buildings which are not used for the private residence of individuals. Accordingly, carrying concealed deadly weapons or carrying concealed dangerous instruments in the Pavilion or any other departmental building is prohibited.

Under Kentucky law, "deadly weapon" means any of the following: (a) a weapon of mass destruction; (b) any weapon from which a shot, readily capable of producing death or other serious physical injury, may be discharged; (c) any knife other than an ordinary pocket knife or hunting knife; (d) billy, nightstick, or club; (e) blackjack or slapjack; (f) nunchaku karate sticks; (g) shuriken or death star; or (h) artificial knuckles made from metal, plastic, or other similar hard material. Under Kentucky law, "dangerous instrument" means any instrument, article, or substance which, under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used, or threatened to be used, is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

Employees who carry weapons onto departmental property which are not concealed shall not use said weapons for any unlawful purpose. Examples of unlawful and prohibited use of weapons include but are not limited to using a weapon while threatening to commit any crime; using a weapon while intentionally placing another person in reasonable apprehension of imminent physical injury; or improperly using physical force in self-protection pursuant to [KRS 503.060](#).