



Firearms Guide

Weapons Policy

Policy Statement:

Weapons and ammunition are potential safety hazards. Possession, use, or display of a weapon or ammunition are inappropriate in an academic community for any reason other than protection of University of Maine employees, facility, students, and members of the public invited on campus as allowed by law, board of trustee's policies, and policies of the University of Maine.

Definitions of Weapons and Ammunition

A **weapon** is defined as: an instrument of offensive or defensive combat, something to fight with, and is generally any device capable of projecting a ball, pellet, arrow, bullet, missile, shell, or other material. This shall include, but not limited to, firearms, bows, rockets, and slingshots.

Ammunition is any material capable of being projected by a weapon and makes the weapon operational.

Weapons and Ammunition Prohibition

1. No weapon or ammunition shall be worn, displayed, used, or possessed on campus.
2. University students and employees may contact the University of Maine Police Department for information on off-campus safe storage options for weapons and/or ammunition.
3. The University of Maine Police Department Chief of Police may grant permission in writing to an individual to possess a weapon or ammunition on campus for instructional purposes and in other special circumstances and under conditions approved by the Chief of Police.

Violation

Any employee, faculty, student, or other representative of the University of Maine who violates this policy shall be notified of the violation and subject to disciplinary sanctions under the applicable discipline process.

Any member of the public who violates this policy shall be notified of the violation and asked to comply. If the public member will not comply, the individual shall be removed from campus and subject to all legal penalties, including the criminal trespass provision under Maine Law.

Exemption

All currently licensed law enforcement officers are exempt from this policy.

Questions or Concerns

Inquiries regarding this policy may be addressed to the Chief of Police at any of the following means below:

Address:

UMaine Police Department
Attn: Chief of Police
81 Rangeley Road
Orono, Maine 04469

Phone: 207.581.4040

Fax: 207.581.1702

Email: um.policedepartment@maine.edu