

Weapons Policy

I. Statement of Purpose

The John Marshall Law School (“JMLS”) hereby establishes the JMLS Weapons Policy pursuant to the 2013 Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act (430 ILCS 66) and its enabling regulations. JMLS is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for the JMLS community and its visitors by prohibiting the possession of firearms and other weapons on the JMLS Campus.

II. Persons Covered by this Policy

- a. This Policy applies to all faculty, staff, students, vendors, and visitors to the JMLS Campus as defined in this Policy. Visitors include prospective and former students, family members, visiting students and faculty and attendees at JMLS sponsored or hosted ceremonies, seminars, competitions and conferences.

III. Prohibited Activities

- a. Weapons or Firearms
 - i. “Campus” includes the JMLS 304 South State Street building, the JMLS 315 South Plymouth Court building, the JMLS 19 West Jackson building, 55 East Jackson 10th floor premises, the 321 South Plymouth Court Chicago Bar Association Building floors 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17 and any other real property owned, leased or controlled by JMLS, where JMLS provides, sponsors or hosts programs, meetings, activities or classes. “Campus” includes motor vehicles owned, leased or controlled by JMLS.
 - ii. JMLS maintains a Weapons Free Campus. It is the policy of JMLS to prohibit any person:
 1. From possessing a weapon or firearm (concealed or otherwise) on Campus unless the individual is specifically authorized by federal or state law or receives advance written consent of the Manager of Campus Security for JMLS.
 2. From displaying, brandishing, discharging or otherwise using any weapon or firearm on Campus.

IV. Exceptions

- a. This Policy does not apply to (i) law enforcement officers who are required to carry a weapon or firearm as a condition of his or her employment, (ii) external government agency officers required to carry a weapon or firearm while conducting official business at JMLS, (iii) and retired law enforcement personnel with valid Retired Officer Carry Cards.

V. Enforcement

- a. Any person (including students and employees) who violates this Policy will be required to leave Campus and may be permanently banned from Campus and/or referred to law enforcement for arrest and prosecution.
- b. Any student who violates this Policy is subject to discipline including expulsion.
- c. Any employee who violates this Policy is subject to discipline including termination.

VI. Distribution of Information Regarding Policy

- a. The Administration and the Manager of Campus Security are responsible for the development and distribution of information regarding this Policy to the JMLS community, media and public.

VII. Definitions

- a. A “firearm” is defined as a loaded or unloaded handgun and a “handgun” is defined as any device designed to expel a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion, expansion of gas, or escape of gas and to be held and fired by the use of a single hand.
- b. A “weapon” is defined as (i) any device, whether loaded or unloaded, that shoots a bullet, pellet, flare or any other projectile including those powered by CO2 including but not limited to machine or other automatic weapons, guns, rifles, shotguns, BB/pellet gun, paint ball gun, flare gun, stun gun, taser or dart gun and any ammunition for any such device, (ii) any replica of the foregoing, (iii) any explosive device including but not limited to firecrackers and black powder, and (iv) any device that is designed or traditionally used to inflict harm including but not limited to a bow and arrow, a knife with a blade longer than three inches, hunting knife, fixed blade knife, throwing knife, dagger, razor or other cutting instrument in which the blade is exposed.

VIII. Campus Safety and Security Department



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- a. The Campus Safety and Security Department will be responsible for the development of procedures and protocols for confiscation of weapons and firearms.
- b. The Manager of Campus Security will post and maintain signs at all building entrances indicating that concealed firearms are prohibited. Signs shall comport with the design approved by the Illinois State Police.
- c. The approved 2013 Illinois State Police sign to be posted in compliance with the Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Act 430 ILCS 66/65:

