

MANUAL OF POLICY

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POLICY TITLE: Prohibition of Weapons on Campus

LEGAL AUTHORITY: FLORIDA STATUTES 1001.64, 790.001, 790.052, 790.06, 790.115, 790.25 and 790.251

DATE OF LAST REVIEW: 6/21/2005, 6/19/2007, 7/21/2009, 7/19/2011, 7/16/2013 and 9/17/2024

DATE OF BOARD ACTION: 10/1/1969, 9/21/1999, 6/19/2007, 7/21/2009, 7/16/2013, 3/18/2014 and 9/17/2024

Possession of weapons including, but not limited to firearms and knives, present the possibility of danger in the workplace and therefore is in violation of Miami Dade College's public safety commitment.

1. Prohibition. Except as provided by law, including Section 790.25(5), Florida Statutes, no person, other than a law enforcement officer or an authorized instructor in the Law Enforcement or Corrections programs shall possess or bring a firearm, firework, explosive, or any other weapon that may cause bodily harm, other than a common pocket knife with a blade length of no more than three (3) inches on property owned or controlled by the College.
2. Definitions. As used in this rule, the following terms have the following meanings:
 - a. The terms "firearm", "firework", "explosive" or "weapon" have the same meaning as contained in Section 790.001 of the Florida Statutes (F.S.).
 - b. "Person" means a student, faculty member, employee, visitor or guest of the College, and includes an employee or agent of the College's contractors and subcontractors.
3. Violation of this policy may be proper cause for:
 - a. disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment for employees
 - b. expulsion or suspension for students
 - c. administrative action of suspension, expulsion or arrest against guests of the College

See College Procedure 2410: Performance Standards and Appeal Process for All Full-Time Professional Exempt Contractual and Support Employees, and College Procedure 2160: Part-Time Employee Performance Standards.

 9/17/2024

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