AIRPORT ORDINANCES, POLICIES, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS PROVIDED BY AIRPORTS RESPONDING TO THE SURVEY

Disclaimer: Anyone relying on the airport rules and regulations discussed in the report and/or included in Appendix E is urged to consult legal counsel on whether the courts would uphold the rules and regulations if their constitutionality were challenged.

E.1. Bill and Hillary Clinton National Airport Rules, § 3.05 require

E.2. City of Bangor, Airport Department, Possession/Display of Weapons Policy (Rev. 02/07/97)


E.4. Wayne County Airport Authority Rules, § 11.5 – Dangerous Weapons (in re: Detroit Metropolitan Airport)

E.1. Bill and Hillary Clinton National Airport Rules, § 3.05, Firearms, Explosives and Flammable Materials

(1) No Persons except the following shall carry any firearms, explosives or similar inflammable materials anywhere in the AOA without the prior written permission of the Executive Director:

(a) Sworn law enforcement officials,

(b) U.S. Postal, Customs and other Federal agents,

(c) Little Rock Bomb Squad, Arson Inspectors and Hazardous Material Members

(c) [sic] Members of the armed forces of the United States on official duty, or

(d) Employees of the Commission when so authorized by the Executive Director

(e) Passengers of general aviation aircraft for the purpose of transporting weapon [sic] to/from airplane located on general aviation side of the airport only.
(2) No firearms shall be allowed inside the terminal building unless carried by sworn law enforcement officials or packaged for shipment via aircraft in compliance with federal regulations.

(3) All Persons obtaining the prior written permission of the Executive Director must keep such permission in their possession while possessing or handling such firearms, explosives or similar inflammable materials and shall show such permission, as well as any necessary permits required by law, upon demand to any Airport Police Officer or Operations personnel or any other law enforcement officer whose jurisdiction includes the Airport.

(4) All persons other than those permitted in (1) above shall surrender all such firearms, explosives or similar inflammable materials in their possession upon demand to the Airport Police or remove same from the Airport.

E.2. City of Bangor, Airport Department, Possession/Display of Weapons Policy (Rev. 02/07/97)

SECTION I - AUTHORIZED LEO ONLY

No person including employees shall have in his or her possession nor display at the Bangor International Airport any firearm or dangerous weapon, as defined by Title 17-A, the Maine Criminal Code, without the express permission of the Director or his/her authorized representative, unless he/she is a duly authorized law enforcement officer (LEO) engaged in the performance of his/her duties. Nonetheless, non Airport based law enforcement officers on official duty are requested to give courtesy notification to the Director when time permits.

SECTION II - CITY CHARTER PROVISION

Notwithstanding, this policy shall be enforced in accordance with the City of Bangor Charter, Ch. II, Art. 35, Sec. 6.2, Item F., which addresses FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, at the Airport and states:

“No person, except authorized peace officers, post office officials, customs officials or members of the Armed Forces of the United States, and the Maine National Guard or Maine Air National Guard on official duty or any other persons authorized by the Manager shall possess any loaded or concealed firearms or explosives at the Airport. All persons, other than those in the excepted categories shall, while at the Airport, surrender all such objects in their possession to the Police.”

SECTION III – TRANSPORTING UNLOADED WEAPONS
Nothing in this policy shall prevent the carrying of unloaded hunting rifles or other unloaded weapons to or from any aircraft or ticket counter for the purpose of transporting said items in compliance with all other federal, state, or local laws.

SECTION IV – TRANSIT PASSENGERS

In addition, any passenger(s) in any of the aforementioned excepted groups who are transiting this Airport on any commercial or private aircraft shall be encouraged to leave any lawfully carried firearms on the aircraft during their transit unless such weapon is absolutely needed in the performance of their assigned duties while in the public terminal areas of this Airport.


§ 7-70 Weapons

1. No person shall have any firearm, explosive, or incendiary device on or about their person or accessible property in facilities operated by the Airport except:

   a. Duly authorized Law Enforcement Officers of the Federal, State, or Municipal government or political subdivision thereof.

   b. Duly authorized Airport or Air Carrier employees.

   c. Members of the armed forces of the United States on official duty.

   d. Air passengers transporting unloaded firearms that are properly containerized and declared in checked baggage pursuant to Federal Regulations.

2. No person who is licensed pursuant to the South Carolina Code of Laws for the carrying of a concealable weapon is permitted upon the premises of the Airport with a weapon. The posting of signs stating: "No Concealable Weapons Allowed" by the Airport shall constitute notice to a person holding a permit.

3. Any firearm involved in the violation of this article must be confiscated and disposed of pursuant to South Carolina Code of Laws Section 16-23-50(B).
E.4. Wayne County Airport Authority Rules, § 11.5 - Dangerous Weapons (in re: Detroit Metropolitan Airport)

11.5 Dangerous Weapons

a. The Airport Authority finds that:

i. Allowing the possession of dangerous weapons anywhere at the Airport, except in compliance with this Subsection 11.5, would increase unacceptably the risk to air transportation passengers and others on Airport property of acts of criminal violence and the introduction of unauthorized weapons onto Aircraft.

ii. Allowing possession of dangerous weapons anywhere at the Airport, except in compliance with this Subsection 11.5 would require Airport security personnel to divert an unreasonable amount of resources to ensuring that individuals carrying dangerous weapons in the Airport are, in fact, permitted to do so and would impair the ability of Airport security personnel to perform the other important security functions, including assisting TSA personnel performing screening operations and responding to incidents in support of the Airport's security program pursuant to 49 CFR 1542.215.

iii. Allowing the possession of dangerous weapons anywhere at the Airport, except in compliance with this Subsection 11.5, would conflict with and undermine the Authority's desire and ability to fulfill the Congressional objectives of maintaining safe and secure airports and instilling public confidence in airport security as those objective[s] are codified by the Aviation and Transportation Security Act and other federal laws.

iv. The prohibition of dangerous weapons at the Airport, as provided in this Subsection 11.5, is necessary to fulfill the Airport Authority's obligations under federal law to provide for the safety and security of persons and property on Aircraft operating in air transportation or intrastate air. 49 CFR 1542.101(a)(1).

b. No person shall:

i. Possess a dangerous weapon in any area of the Airport. This includes, but is not limited to, all Airport buildings, Airport terminals, airfields, parking lots, Aircraft and vehicles using the Airport, and any building or gate that opens onto the airfield.

ii. For purposes of this Subsection, dangerous weapon includes, but is not limited to, any firearms, explosives, knives, razor, slingshot, spring stick, metal knucks, blackjack, sand club, sandbag, bow and arrow, any flailing instrument consisting of two or more rigid parts connected
in such a manner as to allow them to swing freely, which may be known as a nun chahka, nun chuck, nun cacao shuriken, or fighting chain, any disc of whatever configuration, having at least two points or pointed blades which is designed to be thrown or propelled and which may be known as a throwing star or oriental dart, any mechanism designed to emit an electronic, magnetic, or other type of charge that exceeds the equivalency of a five milliamp sixty hertz shock and used for the purpose of temporarily incapacitating a person, which may be known as a stun gun, any mechanism designed to emit an electronic magnetic, or other type of charge or shock through the use of a projectile and used for the purpose of temporarily incapacitating a person, which may be known as a taser.

iii. The provisions of this Subsection 11.5(b) shall not apply to:

a) Persons possessing a dangerous weapon or firearm that is unloaded and properly encased for transshipment by air in accordance with TSA regulations.

b) Federal, state, or local law enforcement officers required to carry dangerous weapons while in the performance of their official law enforcement duties.

c) Persons who need the dangerous weapon while in the performance of their assigned duties for legitimate Airport purposes.

d) The carrying of a concealed pistol by a Person with a valid concealed pistol license (CPL) issued by the State or another state; provided that a Person with a valid CPL shall not carry a pistol or any other dangerous weapon on or about his or her person or in property accessible to him or her:

(1) When the TSA screening process has begun, or

(2) When entering into, or while in, any Security Sensitive Area.

c. Violation of this Subsection 11.5 is a misdemeanor.