

Weapons Policy

No person shall keep, use, possess, display, or carry any rifle, shotgun, handgun, knife, bow and arrow, or other lethal or dangerous weapons or devices capable of casting a projectile by air, gas or explosion, or mechanical means in any building owned or operated by Calhoun Community College. Realistic facsimiles of weapons are also not allowed.

If an instructor approves such items to be demonstrated for class purposes only, the instructor and student must obtain permission from Calhoun Police.

Any such person seen with or using such weapons on campus will be subject to disciplinary and criminal charges.

Pursuant to state board policy 511.01, Calhoun Community College adheres to the following:

1. Firearms are prohibited on campus or any other facility operated by the College. Exceptions to this policy are:
 - a. Law enforcement officers legally authorized to carry such weapons who are officially enrolled in classes or are acting in the performance of their duties or an instructional program in which firearms are required equipment.
 - b. Individuals not otherwise prohibited from a possession of a firearm by state or federal law may possess a firearm and ammunition for that firearms in the individual's privately owned motor vehicle while parked or operated on the grounds of the institutions; provided that the individual satisfies all of the following conditions:
 - (a.) If the firearm is a pistol, the individual is not generally prohibited from possession of a pistol by state or federal law.
 - (b.) If the firearms is any firearm legal for use for hunting in Alabama other than a pistol:
 - i. The individual possesses a valid Alabama hunting license.
 - ii. The firearm is unloaded at all times on the grounds.
 - iii. It is during a season in which hunting is permitted by Alabama law or regulation.
 - iv. The individual has never been convicted of any crime of violence.
 - v. The individual has no documented prior incidents on the grounds of the institution involving the threat of physical injury or physical injury to another.
 - (c.) The motor vehicle is operated or parked in a location where it is otherwise permitted to be.
 - (d.) The firearm is either of the following:
 - i. In a motor vehicle attended by the individual, kept from ordinary observation within the individual's motor vehicle.
 - ii. In a motor vehicle attended by the individual, kept from ordinary observation and locked within a compartment, container, or in the interior of the individual's privately owned motor vehicle or in a compartment or container securely affixed to the motor vehicle.
2. If the institution believes that an individual presents a risk of harm to himself, herself, or to others, the institution may inquire as to whether the individual possesses a firearm in his or her private motor vehicle. If the individual does possess a firearm in his or her private motor vehicle on the property of the institution, the institution may make any inquiry necessary to establish that the individual is in compliance with Section II above.
3. If the individual is not in compliance with Section II, the institution may take adverse action against the individual, in the discretion of the institution.