

**WEAPONS FREE SCHOOL ZONE**

**FIREARMS**

With the exception of firearms on private property, it is a violation of Federal law to possess a firearm, including those that are unloaded, within a distance of 1000 feet from the school property.

School property is defined as all real property, physical plant, school buses, playgrounds, and forested areas.

Any individual, with the exception of law enforcement personnel, who brings or possesses a firearm in a school zone without written authorization from the superintendent or designee, shall be reported to the local police.

Violations of this policy will be reported by school personnel to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

**WEAPONS**

It is a violation of state law to possess a dangerous weapon within a safe school zone.

Dangerous weapons are defined as pistols, revolvers, other firearms, slung shots, metallic knuckles, billies, stilettos, switchblade knives, sword canes, pistol canes, blackjacks, daggers, dirk-knives, spears, throwing stars or nanchakus.

In addition to these dangerous weapons, the following items are prohibited from the Safe School Zone: bows, arrows, and knives.

School property is defined as all real property, physical plant, school buses, playgrounds, and forested areas.

Any individual, with the exception of law enforcement personnel, who brings or possesses a dangerous weapon in a school zone without written authorization from the superintendent or designee, shall be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

***Legal References:***

18 USC § 922 (q), *Crimes and Criminal Procedure; Unlawful Acts*

RSA 159, *Pistols and Revolvers*

RSA 193-D:2, *School Safe Zones; State Board Rulemaking Authority, Public School District Policies*

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