

Deadly Weapons and Fireworks

Policy Statement

Deadly weapons and fireworks may not be brought onto property owned or controlled by Marywood University. This prohibition is a proactive step toward reducing the risk of bodily injury or death due to intentional, accidental, inexperienced or improper use. It applies equally to those carried by persons with a government-issued permit.

The policy regarding weapons does not apply to duly appointed/sworn law enforcement officers or members of the United States Armed Forces when on duty.

There may be activities such as physical fitness, theatrical productions, displays, trainings or educational workshops that may appear to violate the letter of the law but not the intent of this policy. In such cases, written approval from the Senior Director of Safety, Security and Environmental Compliance is required before that activity takes place.

A Marywood University student, faculty or staff member in violation of this policy will be subject to University disciplinary policies and procedures up to and including termination.

Definitions

For purposes of this policy, reference Commonwealth of Pennsylvania law.

Deadly weapons are any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, or any device designed as a weapon and capable of producing death or serious bodily injury, or any other device or instrumentality that, in the manner in which it is used or intended to be used, is calculated or likely to produce death or serious bodily injury.

Fireworks are any combustible or explosive composition or any article prepared for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by combustion, explosion, deflagration, or detonation.

Procedures

A person who is found to violate this policy may be required by the Chief of Campus Safety or Campus Safety Officer to remove him/herself and the weapon immediately from University property. Whether the person is asked to leave the property or not, the Chief will decide if circumstances surrounding the incident require notification to local law enforcement officials. Regardless, the Senior Director of Safety, Security and Environmental Compliance will be notified.

Related Policies

Civil Rights Policy
Civil Rights Complaint Procedures
Drug-Free Workplace
Faculty Grievances and Appeals
Complaint Procedures for Administrators and Staff
Violent Acts and Threats

History of the Policy

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