

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**  
**Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission**  
**Policy Prohibiting Possession of Weapons in Commission Offices and Designated Facilities**

No weapons of any kind may be brought into the Commission's offices, or any other locations or facilities designated for Commission business for any reason. For purposes of this policy, "weapons" includes, but is not limited to, firearms and ammunitions; knives and edged devices; batons, bats, clubs, and other blunt objects; tasers, conducted energy devices, and other electronic control devices; chemical weapons; fireworks, explosive ordnance, and similar devices; tear gas, chemical weapons, and other debilitating sprays; and any other item the Commission, within its discretion, deems dangerous and reasonably likely to present a threat to the safety and security of the building or its occupants. This policy governs all persons (including, but not limited to, law enforcement officers) who are attending or participating in proceedings, meetings, seminars, or other events at the Commission's offices and designated facilities, or who are visiting the offices and designated facilities for any other purpose. This policy does not apply to law enforcement officers serving as Commissioners.

It is the responsibility of persons visiting the Commission's offices or attending Commission proceedings, meetings, seminars, or other events at the Commission's offices and designated facilities to comply with the Commission's policy and store all weapons safely before arriving at the Commission's offices or events. The Commission does not have the capacity to store weapons and will not arrange for the storage of weapons. Anyone found to possess a weapon in violation of this policy will be directed to remove the weapon from the premises immediately or will be denied admission to the Commission's offices, including to any proceeding, meeting, seminar, or other event.