



REPLY TO
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MEMORANDUM FOR All Members of the Texas Military Forces

SUBJECT: (JFTX P13-03) Adjutant General's Policy on Privately Owned Weapons

1. References.

- a. Texas Penal Code, Section 46.035.
- b. AR 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition and Explosives, dated 15 November 2006.
- c. AR 525-13, Antiterrorism, dated 11 September 2008.
- d. AR 190-13, The Army Physical Security Program, dated 25 February 2011.
- e. AFGM to AFI 10-245, Antiterrorism, dated 2 August 2011.

2. This policy memorandum supersedes numbered memorandum JFTX P07-07, JFTX-GAR-PM, dated 25 July 2007.

3. Background. Pursuant to Texas state law, residents have the right to possess privately owned weapons, as long as that possession conforms to applicable state statutes and law. Additionally, many personnel have applied for, and been granted, a license to carry concealed handguns. TXMF has an obligation to follow Texas law when implementing policies and procedures related to possession of privately owned weapons.

4. Applicability. This policy applies to all members of the TXMF, Adjutant General's Department employees, AAFES employees, civilian visitors, contractors and members of the National Guard of other states while on any TXMF installation or facility.

5. General. For safety and security purposes, the following procedures regarding privately owned weapons are implemented on Camp Mabry and all other TXMF installations and facilities:

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a. All TXMF personnel, Adjutant General's Department employees, AAFES employees, civilian visitors, contractors and members of the National Guard of other states who possess a concealed handgun license recognized and valid in the State of Texas may possess a handgun in a locked vehicle on Texas Military Forces installations; however, they may not conceal or carry the handgun on their person at any time. In accordance with this policy, the handgun must be properly concealed inside the handgun owner's privately owned vehicle and the vehicle must remain locked at all times. Failure to maintain handguns properly concealed in a locked vehicle, along with a continued presence on TXMF property constitutes trespass in violation of Texas law. Security officers will direct such persons to immediately depart the installation or face criminal prosecution.

b. Individuals entering TXMF installations on a motorcycle who are concealed handgun permit holders and who are transporting a privately owned weapon must secure the weapon in a locked storage compartment on the motorcycle and comply with prescribed policy as stated in paragraph 4a above.

c. Individuals entering TXMF installations on bicycle or on foot are not authorized to transport a privately owned weapon onto TXMF installations. Such persons must leave the installation immediately and secure the weapon before being allowed to enter the installation.

d. Members of the National Guard of other states who attend training at a TXMF installation must abide by all applicable Texas laws and must declare the possession of a firearm to the security force at the installation immediately upon arrival and host chain of command upon in-processing. Persons in this category who possess a concealed license recognized and valid in the State of Texas from their state of residence must ensure the weapon is properly concealed and locked in their vehicle for the duration of their stay, consistent with prescribed policy as stated in paragraph 5a above. In accordance with this policy, any person who does not possess a valid concealed handgun license or did not travel to a TXMF facility in a privately owned vehicle, will surrender their weapon to the host chain of command for the duration of their stay at a TXMF facility and the weapon will be stored in a unit arms room if space is available until course completion. If space is not available, the person must arrange for secure storage offsite at his or her expense.

6. Recognized law enforcement authorities who routinely carry an authorized job-related weapon as part of their assigned duties are permitted to carry their weapon onto TXMF installations when in the execution of their official duties. Off-duty law enforcement authorities are allowed to carry their weapon consistent with their department policies. Security officers will verify their affiliation and grant access accordingly.

7. In accordance with this policy, the installation security force retains the right to deny entry of any individual, regardless of affiliation and in possession of a weapon of any type, such as a rifle, assault rifle or similar semiautomatic weapon capable of receiving a high-capacity magazine,

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shotgun, pistol, crossbow, club, edged weapon or any other object which may be used as a weapon. Security officers have the authority to conduct random searches of vehicles in accordance with established force protection regulations and guidance. Discovery of such weapons may constitute denial of entry based on the discretion of the security officer with the concurrence of the provost marshal and garrison commander.

8. Warning signs approved by the State of Texas will be conspicuously displayed at all installation entrance gates and at the entrance to installation buildings.
9. This policy remains in effect for two years unless otherwise revoked, rescinded or superseded.
10. Point of Contact for this policy is the Camp Mabry Provost Marshal at (512) 782-6909.


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