

## FIREARMS OR OTHER WEAPONS

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North Carolina General Statute  
14-269.2

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### STATE POLICY ON WEAPONS ON CAMPUS OR OTHER EDUCATIONAL PROPERTY

The following definitions apply to this section:

- (1). Educational property. - Any school building or bus, school campus, grounds, recreational area, athletic field, or other property owned, used, or operated by any board of education or school board of trustees, or directors for the administration of any school.
  - (1a). Employee. - A person employed by a local board of education or school whether the person is an adult or a minor.
  - (1b). School. - A public or private school, community college, college, or university.
  - (2). Student. - A person enrolled in a school or a person who has been suspended or expelled within the last five years from a school, **whether the person is an adult or a minor.**
  - (3). Switchblade knife. - A knife containing a blade that opens automatically by the release of a spring or a similar contrivance.
  - (4). Weapon. - Any device enumerated in subsection (b), (b1), or (d) of this section.
- (b). It shall be a Class I felony for any person to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind on educational property or to a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by a school. However, this subsection does not apply to a BB gun, stun gun, air rifle, or air pistol.
  - (b1). It shall be a Class G felony for any person to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine, or powerful explosive as defined in G.S. 14-284.1, on educational property or to a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by a school. This subsection shall not apply to fireworks.
  - (c). It shall be a Class I felony for any person to cause, encourage, or aid a minor who is less than 18 years old to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind on educational property. However, this subsection does not apply to a BB gun, stun gun, air rifle, or air pistol.
  - (c1). It shall be a Class G felony for any person to cause, encourage, or aid a minor who is less than 18 years old to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any dynamite cartridge, bomb, grenade, mine, or powerful explosive as defined in G.S. 14-284.1 on educational property. This subsection shall not apply to fireworks.
  - (d). It shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any BB gun, stun gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slingshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades (except solely for

personal shaving), firework, or any sharp-pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation of food, instruction, and maintenance, on educational property.

- (e). It shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor for any person to cause, encourage, or aid a minor who is less than 18 years old to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any BB gun, stun gun, air rifle, air pistol, bowie knife, dirk, dagger, slingshot, leaded cane, switchblade knife, blackjack, metallic knuckles, razors and razor blades (except solely for personal shaving), firework, or any sharp-pointed or edged instrument except instructional supplies, unaltered nail files and clips and tools used solely for preparation of food, instruction, and maintenance, on educational property.
- (f). Notwithstanding subsection (b) of this section it shall be a Class 1 misdemeanor rather than a Class I felony for any person to possess or carry, whether openly or concealed, any gun, rifle, pistol, or other firearm of any kind, on educational property or to a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by a school if:
  - (1). The person is not a student attending school on the educational property or an employee employed by the school working on the educational property; and
  - (1a). The person is not a student attending a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by the school at which the student is enrolled or an employee attending a curricular or extracurricular activity sponsored by the school at which the employee is employed; and
  - (2). **Deleted by S. L. 1999-211, s. 1, and Effective Dec. 1, 1999.**
  - (3). The firearm is not loaded, is in a motor vehicle, and is in a locked container or a locked firearm rack.
  - (4). **Deleted by S. L. 1999-211, s. 1, Effective Dec. 1, 1999.**
- (g). This section shall not apply to:
  - (1). A weapon used solely for educational or school-sanctioned ceremonial purposes, or used in a school-approved program conducted under the supervision of an adult whose supervision has been approved by the school authority;
  - (1a). A person exempted by the provisions of G.S. 14-269(b);
  - (2). Firefighters, emergency service personnel, North Carolina Forest Service personnel, and any private police employed by an educational institution, when acting in the discharge of their official duties; or
  - (3). Home schools as defined in G.S. 115C-563(a).
- (h). No person shall be guilty of a criminal violation of this section so long as both of the following apply:
  - (1). The person comes into possession of a weapon by taking or receiving the weapon from another person or by finding the weapon.
  - (2). The person delivers the weapon, directly or indirectly, as soon as practical to law enforcement authorities. (1971, c. 241, ss. 1, 2; c. 1224; 1991, c. 622, s. 1; 1993, c. 539, s. 164;

c. 558, s. 1; 1994, Ex. Sess., c. 14, s. 4(a), (b); 1995, c. 49, s. 1; 1997-238, s. 2; 1999-211, s. 1;  
1999-257, ss. 3, 3.1.)

