34.06.02.S1   Carrying Concealed Handguns on the Premises of System Offices

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Rule Summary

A license holder may carry a concealed handgun on the premises of the System Offices of The Texas A&M University System (System Offices) or in a system vehicle unless prohibited by state or federal law.

Definitions

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Rule

1. The Texas A&M University System (system) chancellor established this rule after consultation within the System Offices about specific safety considerations and the uniqueness of the System Offices environment. This rule was reviewed by the system Board of Regents as required by law.

2. A handgun license holder under Chapter 411, Texas Government Code, may carry a concealed handgun on or about the license holder’s person while the license holder is on the premises of the System Offices, or in a system vehicle, unless prohibited by state or federal law. The open carrying of a handgun on System Offices’ land and premises is prohibited. Licensed peace officers are authorized by law to carry firearms at all times.

3. Employees who are license holders are permitted to store a handgun in their office space so long as the handgun is secured in a locked drawer or compartment.

4. Concealed carry is prohibited in any premises where the System Offices, as directed or approved by the chancellor as necessary for institutional safety, gives effective notice on a temporary basis pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code. For this rule, the term “owner of the property” in Section 30.06(b), Penal Code, means the chancellor. No System Offices employee is “someone with apparent authority to act for the owner” for purposes of Section 30.06(b), Penal Code. All notices under Section 30.06, Penal Code, will be institutional notice, conform to Section 46.03, Penal Code, and apply equally to all handgun license holders.
5. **RELLIS Campus.**

(a) All system agencies and universities with operational responsibility of a premises on RELLIS Campus must ensure they have a concealed handgun carry rule for the facilities under their management. If there are specific areas identified in member facilities on RELLIS Campus prohibiting concealed handguns, those areas must be identified and listed in System Offices Rule 34.06.02.S1. Additionally, system members will provide a copy of their rule to RELLIS Administration with a list of location(s) of the prohibited concealed carry areas.

(b) All System Offices departments/programs on RELLIS Campus will utilize System Offices Rule 34.06.02.S1. System departments/programs will route through RELLIS Administration a list of locations of prohibited firearm areas for inclusion in System Offices Rule 34.06.02.S1.

   i. Concealed carry is prohibited only in the Academic Alliance Buildings in the following locations. Access points to all prohibited locations must be marked with a lawful 30.06 notice sign.

   i. The biology labs (BSL1 and BSL2) located on the third floor of Building 1 (Building 6000).

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**Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements**

System Regulation 34.06.02, Weapons

**Appendix**

Texas Statutory Prohibitions

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