

Brigham Young University Firearms & Weapons Policy

Firearms and weapons are not permitted, concealed or not concealed, with or without a concealed weapon permit, while upon properties owned or controlled by the University (including on-campus housing), without specific written permission from the Chief of University Police.

Law enforcement officers certified by the state of Utah, federal law enforcement officers, and security officers for armored vehicle services contracted with the University, on official duties, may carry a firearm on campus.

Members of the campus ROTC may possess or carry ROTC issued firearms or weapons as part of official ROTC functions when authorized by the professor of Military Science and in strict accordance with existing military regulations. At no time may firearms or weapons be inside residence halls.

Q&A

What would be an example of a restricted weapon? The following are examples of restricted weapons: tasers that fire a projectile, knives with a blade longer than 3 ½ inches or that have more than one sharp edge - nunchakus - metal knuckles - airsoft, pellet, or BB guns - any firearm facsimile - clubs - night sticks - or swords, slingshots or like devices.

Can I carry a taser? Yes, if it does not fire a projectile. It is suggested that you keep it concealed, know how to use it, be aware of its limitations, and realize it can be used against you.

Can I carry pepper spray? Yes. It is suggested that you keep it concealed, know how to use it, be aware of its limitations, and realize it can be used against you.

What happens if I am found in possession of a restricted weapon? The sanction varies depending on the type of weapon and the circumstances. Sanctions can be criminal and/or civil.

What about airsoft guns? Airsoft guns can cause personal injury and can also be mistaken for an actual firearm; therefore, they are not allowed on campus.