

DELAWARE COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD

POLICY

Policy Name	Resolution Number	Origin Date	Approval Date
Firearms and Weapons	17-03-06	3-15-2017	3-15-2017 Updated 2/24/20 Name Only

NOTE: The Delaware County Transit Board (DCTB) is the governing body of Delaware County's Public Transit System established by the Delaware County Commissioners under the authority of Ohio Revised Code section 306.01 and 306.02. Delaware County Transit (DCT) is the common name given to the public transit system. This policy is established and set forth under the authority of the Delaware County Transit Board. DCT and DCTB may be used interchangeably in this policy or used separately to distinguish responsibilities.

PURPOSE

This purpose of this policy is to maintain a work environment that is safe for all DCT employees, and persons in the community that use DCT services. To achieve these objectives, DCT is committed to a position against firearms and weapons in the workplace and only in a lawful manner by passengers while using DCT services.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all DCTB employees, passengers who use DCT services, and visitors at DCT facilities.

DISTRIBUTION

To all DCTB employees, DCT passengers, and any visitor at DCT facilities.

DEFINITIONS

Firearm - A pistol or rifle, loaded or unloaded, capable of firing a projectile while using an explosive as a propellant.

Weapon - An instrument used in attack or defense.

Parking Lot - An area of ground for which a company designates as space to be occupied for motor vehicles, both permanent and/or temporary.

POLICY STATEMENT

DCT is committed to providing a safe work environment for all of its employees and passengers. In order to help maintain a safe environment, DCT will recognize and enforce this policy in the following areas:

- **Firearms and Weapons at DCT Facilities**

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- **Firearms and Weapons on board DCT Vehicles**

Firearms and Weapons at DCT Facilities

- DCT employees are prohibited from carrying firearms or weapons inside DCT facilities.
- In accordance with Ohio Revised Code 2923.126(B)(7) DCT reserves the right to prohibit firearms or weapons inside DCT facilities. All visitors and guests will adhere to this policy.
- Commissioned law enforcement officers and governmental agents who are legally allowed to carry firearms within their jurisdiction are permitted to enter DCT facilities.
- DCT employees and visitors who possess a valid Ohio Conceal and Carry License may lawfully store a firearm in such person's privately owned motor vehicle while parked on DCT's parking lot. In accordance with Ohio Senate Bill 199.

Firearms and Weapons on board DATA Vehicles

- DCT employees are prohibited from the possession or transportation of firearms or weapons on board DCT owned or leased vehicles.
- Passengers using DCT services will lawfully adhere to Ohio's gun laws under Ohio Revised Code 2923.16; ORC 2923.126; and any revisions attached to these codes.
- Passengers who possess a valid Ohio Conceal and Carry License may carry a firearm on board DCT transit vehicles and will lawfully adhere to Ohio Revised Code 2923.126 and any revisions attached to this code.