

Weapons

Members and Staff Members (to include any staff, regardless of paid or non-paid status, and volunteers) shall not bring, possess, conceal or use a weapon on or at Organization property, (for the purposes of this policy, Organization property shall include facilities, premises and property in use by or under the control of the Organization, if the member or staff is at any event approved, activity or function related to the Organization, Drum Corps International, or WGI where members are under the control of the Organization or where the staff member is engaged in Organization business).

Violations of policy may result in discipline up to and including dismissal from the Organization and/or referral to law enforcement, as appropriate.

For purposes of this policy, and as defined by state and federal law, weapon includes:

1. "Dangerous weapon" - any weapon, device, instrument, material or substance, which under the circumstances in which it is used, attempted to be used or threatened to be used is readily capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
2. "Deadly weapon" - any instrument, article or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury;
3. "Firearm" - any weapon which will or is designed to or may readily be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or the frame or receiver (operating parts of a gun) of any such weapon, any firearm silencer or any destructive device;
4. "Destructive device" - any explosive, incendiary or poison gas component or any combination of parts either designed or intended for use in converting any device into any destructive device or from which a destructive device may be readily assembled. A destructive device does not include any device which is designed primarily or redesigned primarily for use as a signaling, pyrotechnic, line-throwing, safety or similar device.

Weapons may also include, but are not limited to, knives, metal knuckles, straight razors, noxious or irritating gases, poisons or unlawful drugs.

Replicas/look-a-likes of weapons, fireworks and pocket knives are also prohibited by Board policy. Exceptions to the Organization's replicas/look-a-likes prohibition would include performance related equipment or props related to Organizational activities.

In accordance with Oregon law, any Staff Member who has reasonable cause to believe a member or other person has, within the previous 120 days, unlawfully been in possession of a firearm or destructive device as defined by this policy, shall immediately report such violation to an Organizational Director, his/her designee or law enforcement. Staff Members who report directly to law enforcement shall also immediately inform their immediate administrator/supervisor.

Parents of members below the age of majority will be notified of all conduct by their student that violates this policy.

Weapons under the control of law enforcement personnel are permitted.

END OF POLICY