

Firearms Prohibited

Departmental Regulation 4200-001, Workplace Violence Prevention Program, states:

"Possession, use, or threat of use of a firearm, explosive, or other dangerous weapon by the following individuals is prohibited:

- a. USDA employees at work,
- b. Anyone in USDA Government owned or leased workplaces,
- c. Anyone in privately owned vehicles on official USDA business,
- d. Anyone in USDA Government owned or leased vehicles,
- e. Anyone in privately owned vehicles parked in USDA Government owned or leased areas.

Exemption to these prohibitions is permitted only when the weapon is a necessary and documented, approved job requirement."

18 U.S.C., Section 930, Possession of firearms and dangerous weapons in Federal facilities, states:

"(a) Except as provided in subsection (d), whoever knowingly possesses or causes to be present a firearm or other dangerous weapon in a Federal facility (other than a Federal court facility), or attempts to do so, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 1 year, or both.

...(g) (2) The term 'dangerous weapon' means a weapon, device, instrument, material, or substance, animate or inanimate, that is used for, or is readily capable or, causing death or serious bodily injury, except that such term does not include a pocket knife with a blade of less than 2 ½ inches in length."