CODE: PSL - 714

SUBJECT: Concealed Carry REVISED: November 8, 2018

In accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c01 et seq., the carrying of a concealed handgun as authorized by the Personal and Family Protection Act is not prohibited on property owned or leased by the College.

## Procedure

## **Firearms**

## **Section 1. DEFINITION OF TERMS**

"Handgun" is defined as a pistol or revolver designed to be fired by the use of a single hand and which is designed to fire or capable of firing fixed cartridge ammunition or any other weapon which will or is designed to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive and is designed to be fired by the use of a single hand.

"Concealed weapon" is defined as any firearm that is hidden from common observance while being on or about a person. A firearm is deemed hidden from common observation when it appears so deceptively as to disguise the weapon's true nature.

"Prop weapon" is defined as any item that looks like a firearm.

"Campus property" is defined as any building or land owned or leased by ICC.

"Campus facilities" is defined as the spaces on Campus property with defined enclosures for a designated use, such as an academic building, a residence hall, a theatre, an athletic field or stadium, but Campus facilities do not include open spaces, parking lots and recreational trails, even when those areas are enclosed by fencing or walls.

"Secured Container" is defined as a completely enclosed, hard cased container lockable by an internal or external locking device whether it be a key or combination not accessible by a third party, with such container to be itself secured from theft through attachment to a permanent object. Any firearm stored in such a container is strictly the sole responsibility of the owner and ICC will not be held liable for theft, damage, or loss of such a "secured container".

## Section 2. FIREARMS ON CAMPUS PROPERTY GENERALLY PROHIBITED

- 1. Except as authorized pursuant to this policy, no person shall possess, store, carry, display or unlawfully use any firearm, or possess or carry a concealed weapon, on Campus property or in Campus facilities.
- 2. Any prop weapon shall not be utilized for any purpose on Campus property or in Campus facilities without being approved by the President prior to being used in any activity.

## Section 3. PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO CARRY A FIREARM

1. Any Law Enforcement Officer in the performance of their duties and in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas.

- 2. **Employees** of Independence Community College, including student employees, may possess and carry such concealed weapon on Campus property and in Campus facilities, and may store their weapon in a secured container or compartment in their vehicle or office while on Campus property in accordance with the Kansas Personal and Family Protection Act K.S.A. 75-7c01.
- 3. **Students** of Independence Community College may possess and carry such concealed weapon on Campus property and all Campus facilities, and may store the approved weapon in a secured container or compartment in their vehicle while on Campus property in accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c01.
- 4. **Visitors** to Independence Community College who are not faculty, staff or students of ICC may possess and carry such concealed weapon on Campus property and in Campus facilities, and may store the approved weapon in a secured container or compartment in their vehicle while on Campus property in accordance with K.S.A. 75-7c01.
- 5. All firearms will remain holstered or in a scabbard, and on safe at all times unless deployed for purposes allowed by law. At no time will active pursuit of criminal activity justify self-defense, nor is it authorized by ICC. Any firearm brought onto the ICC campus will remain the sole responsibility of the owner of the firearm, regardless of whether stored or carried.
- 6. Any firearm incident, regardless of severity, will be reported to the President immediately.

# Section 4. PERSONS PROHIBITED FROM AUTHORIZATION TO CARRY WEAPON

No person is permitted to possess, store, or carry a firearm or concealed weapon on Campus property who:

- 1. Does not comply with this policy;
- 2. Is ineligible, prohibited or disqualified by law to carry a concealed firearm in Kansas;
- 3. Has been arrested for or charged with any assault, battery, stalking, crime of violence, or a felony, and has such case pending;
- 4. Has been convicted of assault, battery, stalking, any crime of violence, or a felony; or
- 5. Is restricted or restrained from contacting or communicating with another person pursuant to a no-contact directive or restraining order from Independence Community College or from any court or agency.

In such cases of denial of privileges, final determination of whether to approve, restrict or revoke a person's privilege to carry a weapon on Campus property shall be made by the President of the College.

## Section 5. PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF WEAPONS POLICY

Any person found to violate a provision of Sections 2, 3, or 4 of this policy will be subject to all appropriate penalties under ICC policy and applicable law. ICC students who violate the above provisions of this policy may be subject to misconduct points, a \$500.00 fine, 30 hours Disciplinary Community Service, and/or possible Administrative Withdrawal, or to such other penalties as may be prescribed in the ICC Student Honor Code for such misconduct.