34.06.02.E1 Carrying Concealed Handguns on TEES Property

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Supplements System Regulation 34.06.02

Rule Statement

The Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station (TEES) will comply with The Texas A&M University System (A&M System) Regulation 34.06.02, Weapons. Additionally, TEES will adhere to all applicable federal and state laws, policies, and regulations relating to carrying concealed handguns. TEES employees located on the Texas A&M University campus are subject to Texas A&M University Rule 34.06.02.M1. TEES facilities located on other A&M System campuses will comply with the rule promulgated by those members.

Reason for Rule

This rule is required by A&M System Regulation 34.06.02 and provides guidelines for ensuring the safety of employees and guests while complying with all federal and state laws, policies, and regulations pertaining to carrying concealed handguns.

Procedures and Responsibilities

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 TEES established this rule while considering any uniqueness of the agency's work environment and feedback from employees and administrators of the A&M System community. This rule was reviewed by the system board of regents as required by law.
- 1.2 A handgun license holder under Chapter 411, Texas Government Code, may carry a concealed handgun on or about the license holder's person while the license holder is on TEES owned or leased premises or in a TEES vehicle, unless prohibited by state or federal law, or this rule. The open carrying of a handgun on TEES property is prohibited. Licensed peace officers are authorized by law to carry firearms at all times.
- 1.3 TEES will foster enforcement of the state law regulating firearms. This enforcement includes notification to applicable law enforcement agencies that may investigate and take appropriate action, including referral for criminal

prosecution when violations occur. Furthermore, TEES will consider any violation of law regulating firearms to be a violation of TEES' rules and as such, a violation is subject to disciplinary action.

2. RULES APPLICABLE TO CARRYING A CONCEALED HANDGUN ON TEES PROPERTY

2.1 State Law Prohibitions

A license holder is responsible for complying with the applicable state law prohibitions. See Appendix.

2.2 Federal Law Prohibitions

A license holder is responsible for complying with the applicable federal law prohibitions.

2.3 Other Prohibited Premises

A license holder is prohibited from carrying a concealed handgun on the following premises:

- 2.3.1 Any premises on Texas A&M University campus providing effective notice pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code.
- 2.3.2 Any TEES premises where, as directed or approved by the agency director as necessary for safety, the agency provides effective notice on a temporary basis pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code. For this rule, the term "owner of the property" in Section 30.06(b), Penal Code, means the agency director. No agency employee is "someone with apparent authority to act for the owner" for purposes of Section 30.06(b), Penal Code. All notices under Section 30.06, Penal Code, will be agency notice, conform to Section 46.03, Penal Code, and apply equally to all handgun license holders: and
- 2.3.3 Premises leased by TEES to a third party, if the third party determines to prohibit the concealed carry of handguns on the premises and provides effective notice pursuant to Section 30.06, Penal Code.

Related Statutes, Policies, or Requirements

Regulation 34.06.02, Weapons

Definitions

Premises – A building or portion of a building. The term does not include any public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, parking garage, or other parking area.

Property – All land, buildings owned or leased by Texas A&M Engineering Experiment Station

Texas A&M University Campus – All property located in Brazos County, Texas owned or leased by Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.

Appendix

Texas Statutory Prohibitions

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