

POLICY NAME:	511.01: Firearms on Campus
EFFECTIVE:	December 14, 2022
SUPERSEDES:	511.01: Firearms on Campus, issued April 13, 2016
SOURCE:	Code of Alabama 16-60-111.4 ; Act 2022-133
CROSS REFERENCE:	

I. Firearms are prohibited on campus or on any other facility operated by the institution. Exceptions to this policy are:

- (1) Law enforcement officers legally authorized to carry such weapons who are officially enrolled in classes or are acting in the performance of their duties or an instructional program in which firearms are required equipment.
- (2) Individuals not otherwise prohibited from possession of a firearm by state or federal law may possess a firearm and ammunition for that firearm in the individual's privately owned motor vehicle while parked or operated on the grounds of the institution; provided, that the individual satisfies all of the following conditions:
 - (a) If the firearm is a pistol, the individual is not generally prohibited from possession of a pistol by state or federal law.
 - (b) If the firearm is any firearm legal for use for hunting in Alabama other than a pistol:
 - (1) The individual possesses a valid Alabama hunting license.
 - (2) The firearm is unloaded at all times while on the grounds of the institution.
 - (3) It is during a season in which hunting is permitted by Alabama law or regulation.
 - (4) The individual has never been convicted of any crime of violence.
 - (5) The individual has no documented prior incidents on the grounds of the institution involving the threat of physical injury or which resulted in physical injury to another.
 - (c) The motor vehicle is operated or parked in a location where it is otherwise permitted to be.
 - (d) The firearm is either of the following:
 - (1) In a motor vehicle attended by the individual and kept

from ordinary observation within the individual's motor vehicle.

(2) In a motor vehicle unattended by the individual, kept from ordinary observation and locked within a compartment, container, or in the interior of the individual's privately owned motor vehicle or in a compartment or container securely affixed to the motor vehicle.

II. If the institution believes that an individual presents a risk of harm to himself, herself, or to others, the institution may inquire as to whether the individual possesses a firearm in his or her private motor vehicle. If the individual does possess a firearm in his or her private motor vehicle on the property of the institution, the institution may make any inquiry necessary to establish that the individual is in compliance with section (2) above.

(1) If the individual is not in compliance with section (2), the institution may take adverse action against the individual, in the discretion of the institution.