Possession of weapons on Nebraska College of the Technical Agriculture (NCTA) facilities and grounds is prohibited. This prohibition extends to all college buildings and grounds such as classroom buildings, residence halls, in NCTA vehicles, in personal vehicles parked on University property, on the college farm or ranch lands, on college roads, at college sponsored events, or on lands occupied or used by NCTA. A deadly weapon shall include guns, knives (with blades over 3.5 inches), archery equipment, explosives, or any other device so defined by statute or as determined by NCTA, which in the manner used or intended is capable of producing death, harm to person or property, or bodily injury. Violation of this policy shall make the offender subject to appropriate disciplinary or legal action.

Any person who possesses a firearm at the Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture, on college grounds, on the college farm and ranch lands, in a college-owned vehicle, or at a college-sponsored activity or athletic event is guilty of the offense of unlawful possession of a firearm at the college. Unlawful possession of a firearm at the college is a Class IV felony. This subsection shall not apply to (a) the issuance of firearms to or possession by members of the armed forces of the United States, active or reserve, National Guard of this state, or Reserve Officers Training Corps or peace officers or other duly authorized law enforcement officers when on duty or training, (b) the possession of firearms by peace officers or other duly authorized law enforcement officers when contracted by the college to provide college security or college event control services, (c) firearms which may lawfully be possessed by a person employed by the college as part of an agriculture or a natural resources program of such college or university, within the scope of such person's employment, and only after securing written authorization from the Dean, (d) firearms which may lawfully be possessed by a person for the purpose of using them, with the approval of the college, in a historical reenactment, in a hunter education program, or as part of an honor guard, (e) firearms which may be possessed by members of the Shooting Sports team or club while training or using firearms as part of their sport activity at an off-campus shooting range, and (f) unloaded shotguns which may be transported in University vehicles from approved gun storage facilities to official competitions and practices of the college Shooting Sports team. Such transportation shall only occur under these conditions:

- with written authorization of the NCTA Associate Dean,
- in the presence of the team coach,
- in a locked container, and
- ammunition shall be transported separate from shotguns (not in the same locked container).

Any firearm possessed in violation of this policy shall be confiscated without warrant by a peace officer or may be confiscated without warrant by college administrative or teaching personnel. Any firearm confiscated by college administrative or teaching personnel shall be delivered to a peace officer as soon as practical.


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