

# Items Prohibited from Federal Facilities (*excerpt from Interagency Security Committee Standard - February 2013*)

## 4.0 Lists of Prohibited Items

The items that are prohibited in Federal facilities include any item prohibited by any applicable Federal, State, local, and tribal law and/or ordinance, as well as firearms, dangerous weapons, explosives, or other destructive devices (including their individual parts or components) designed, redesigned, used, intended for use, or readily converted to cause injury, death, or property damage. This list applies to all facility occupants, contractors, and the visiting public.

### 4.1 Firearms and Projectile Weapons

The list of prohibited firearms and projectile weapons includes, but is not limited to:

1. Firearms or similar device that expels a projectile through the action of an explosive (unless meeting the exemptions listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d));
2. BB or pellet guns;
3. Compressed air guns;
4. Antique firearms;
5. Flare guns;
6. Realistic replica or toy firearms (unless meeting the exemptions listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d));
7. Spear guns;
8. Starter pistols;
9. Stun guns, cattle prods, dart-firing stun guns, and other electric weapons or controlled devices;
10. Ammunition, shotgun shells or firearm cartridges, black powder, smokeless propellant powder (unless meeting the exemptions listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)); and
11. Slingshots.

### 4.2 Bladed, Edged, or Sharp Tools or Implements

The list of prohibited bladed, edged, or sharp tools, or implements includes, but is not limited to:

1. Axes and hatchets;
2. Bows and arrows;
3. Ice axes/ice picks;
4. Throwing stars (martial arts);
5. Knives, sabers, swords, daggers, and other bladed devices with a blade of more than 2 ½ inches (unless meeting the exemptions listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)); and
6. Razor-type blades such as box cutters, utility knives, and razor blades not in a cartridge, but excluding safety razors (unless meeting the exemption listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)(3)).

### **4.3 Club-like Items and Striking Devices**

The list of club-like items and striking devices includes, but is not limited to:

1. Billy clubs;
2. Blackjacks;
3. Brass knuckles;
4. Chains in excess of 12 inches (Jewelry exceptions can be made);
5. Night sticks (unless meeting the exemptions listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)); and
6. Martial arts weapons, including nunchucks and kubatons.

### **4.4 Destructive Devices, Explosives, or Combustible Chemical Compounds and Mixtures**

The list of destructive devices, explosives, or any chemical compound or mixture that has a property of yielding readily to combustion or oxidation upon the application of heat, flame, or shock includes, but is not limited to:

1. Blasting caps or detonators;
2. Dynamite, nitroglycerin, trinitrotoluene, ammonium nitrate, and others;
3. Fireworks;
4. Gunpowder;
5. Hand grenades, mine, bomb, rocket, missile, pipe bomb, plastic explosives;
6. Realistic replicas of explosives or similar devices;
7. Explosive or expanding gases;
8. Gas torches; and
9. Flammable Liquids (i.e., gasoline, turpentine, and paint thinner) (unless meeting the exemption listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)(3)).

### **4.5 Disabling Chemicals and Other Dangerous Items**

The list of disabling chemicals and other dangerous items includes, but is not limited to:

1. Mace, pepper spray, tear gas, tear gas gun, or other chemical spray designed for self-defense (unless meeting the exemption listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d));
2. Spillable batteries, except those in wheel chairs or similar devices used by a mobility impaired individual;
3. Spray paint (unless meeting the exemption listed in 18 U.S.C. § 930(d)(3)); and
4. Poisonous gases.