I. Title  
*Possession of Weapons*

II. Policy  
The illegal possession of a weapon anywhere on the UTMB premises is strictly forbidden and constitutes a violation of law. In addition to any criminal sanctions that may be imposed, employees, faculty, house staff, and students found in violation of this policy are subject to disciplinary action which may include termination.

A person with a handgun license (license holder), issued pursuant to §411 of the Texas Government Code, may carry a concealed handgun on his or her person or in a closely controlled manner on the campus of UTMB in accordance with the law and IHOP Policy 08.02.09 Concealed Carry of Handguns on UTMB’s Campus.

The University Police Department must be notified immediately when a person is either observed or suspected of possessing a prohibited weapon in violation of this policy.

III. Exceptions  
Licensed peace officers are allowed to possess weapons in this State, including on UTMB premises.

IV. Definitions  
*Premises:* a building or a portion of a building. It does not include a public or private driveway, street, sidewalk or walkway, parking lot, parking garage, or other parking area.

*Weapon:* a handgun, illegal knife, club, or device as defined at Chapter 46 of The Texas Penal Code

V. Relevant Federal and State Statutes  
Texas Penal Code §§46.01-05  
[Carrying of Handguns by License Holders on Certain Campuses §411.2031 of the Texas Government Code.](#)

VI. Related UTMB Policies and Procedures  
IHOP Policy 08.02.09 Concealed Carry of Handguns on UTMB’s Campus
VII. Dates Approved or Amended

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VIII. Contact Information
UTMB Police
(409) 772-1503