Kalamazoo College
Weapons on Campus Policy

Weapons, firearms, fireworks, explosives
The safety and security of members of the College community are a priority. Therefore, Kalamazoo College prohibits the possession, use, or sale of any weapon or firearm, fireworks or explosives on College property for any reason at any time, including substances, devices, or weapons designed to or that may incapacitate, injure or kill. The only exception is that public officials licensed by their profession to carry guns can do so as required by their professional duties. In addition, no person shall possess an altered or replicated dangerous weapon, which, in the manner used or displayed, may create fear. The only exception is stage weaponry used by the Department of Theatre Arts that is securely stored and has been registered and approved by the Director of Campus Security. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to:

• Firearms of any kind, including rifles, shotguns, handguns and explosive devices that are capable of casting a projectile by explosion, air, gas, chemical or mechanical means
• Firearm look-alikes or realistic facsimiles, paint guns, weapons that discharge a projectile of any kind by air, CO2 or other gas, or via a spring-loaded mechanism, including pellet or BB guns, or other long-barreled weapons
• Ammunition of any kind
• Devices, including, but not limited to stun or laser guns, from which an electrical current or impulse, wave or beam may be directed
• Sport, game, martial arts, or theatrical equipment, including but not limited to swords, nunchucks, throwing stars or knives, staves, clubs, darts, blowguns
• Bow and arrows, or crossbows
• Knives, except pocketknives or culinary knives, with blades longer than 3"
• Explosives or incendiary devices of any kind
• Fireworks or firecrackers
• Dangerous or toxic chemicals, chemical irritants, or chemicals stored or used for anything other than in a supervised experiment in a College laboratory.

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