

Personal Firearms

916.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to promote the safety of all members by providing guidance on the possession of firearms in the workplace.

This policy does not apply to duty firearms

916.2 POLICY

The Blue Ridge Fire District will make reasonable efforts to reduce risk to members and the public by placing limitations on firearms being brought onto district property or carried by members while on-duty or while representing the District in any capacity.

916.3 PROHIBITIONS

Members are prohibited from possessing a loaded firearm while on-duty or while on or in district property or vehicles except as provided in this policy and consistent with state law. A loaded firearm shall be defined as any firearm with a live round in the firearm chamber or cylinder.

916.4 FIREARMS IN VEHICLES

Members are permitted to store a firearm in the member's personal vehicle parked on district property, provided the vehicle is locked and the firearm is not visible from outside the vehicle. Members who drive motorcycles are permitted to store a firearm in a locked compartment on the motorcycle (ARS § 12-781). However, members may not store a firearm in their personal vehicle if the District offers the following (ARS § 12-781):

- (a) A limited-access parking area enforced by a guard or other security measure that is secured by a fence or other physical barrier.
- (b) Temporary and secure firearm storage that shall be monitored and readily accessible on entry into and exit from the premises.