PUBLIC SAFETY WEAPON CONTRACT

Following is the Public Safety Weapon Storage Contract. This contract outlines The University of Montana’s policy governing firearms and ammunition. In part, this contract requires all weapons (rifles, handguns, shotguns of any type or caliber including BB guns and pellet guns, bows, arrows, slingshots, and large knives) to be registered and stored in authorized storage areas.

1.) All weapons may only be checked-in AND checked-out by the owner of the weapon. The owner must always supply a VALID picture identification in order to check-out a weapon.

2.) Weapons will only be checked in and out by University of Montana Police Officers. Police Officers will give priority to calls for service and emergencies. Persons checking weapons in or out may be subject to waiting for an officer to become available. Weapons will not be accepted unless they are unloaded.

3.) Weapons may not be cleaned nor maintained in Residence Halls or any location on The University of Montana campus.

4.) Weapons may be checked-in at any time. Weapons may be checked-out only from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. every day. After 4:30 P.M. until 8:00 A.M., weapons may be checked out if arrangements are made by calling Public Safety at 243-6131. Early morning trips or other special circumstances will be accommodated.

5.) Only residence hall students may use weapons storage facilities.

6.) Only U of M Police Officers are allowed in these storage areas and no one, even staff, may handle or tamper with the weapons or ammunition stored.

7.) If the weapon is being removed permanently from weapon storage, the owner agrees to notify the officer.

8.) Public Safety is not responsible for any damage or change in condition to weapons and accessories. It is the owner’s responsibility to notify the Police Officer, at the time of check in, of any change in condition or damage that occurred to the weapon while it was checked out.

9.) Police officers will refuse to release weapons to individuals who appear intoxicated or, to those who may pose a threat to themselves or others.

10.) Any weapons left in storage longer than one year will be subject to removal, and will be entered in to lost and found property. Any student needing to store a weapon for an extended period of time can request an extension from The University of Montana Chief of Police.

11.) NO WEAPONS ARE ALLOWED IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS AT ANY TIME FOR ANY REASON.

I have read, understand, and agree to obey the aforementioned rules and policies of the Public Safety Weapons Storage Contract. Failure to adhere to this firearm policy or contract will result in student conduct code violations and/or criminal charges being filed.

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Owner’s Signature          Officer Signature        Date