

# Mercer Island Beach Club Weapons Policy

*Mercer Island Beach Club (“MIBC” or “Club”) is a private club that exists for the pleasure, recreation and enjoyment of member families and their guests in a safe and secure setting. In furtherance of that mission, the Club’s Board of Trustees (“Board”) has adopted this Weapons Policy.*

## General Rule

Except as provided in this policy, firearms and deadly weapons of any kind are **strictly prohibited** on the real property and related improvements owned or controlled by MIBC, including without limitation, the clubhouse, fitness, locker room, pool and maintenance facilities, the picnic, beach, swimming and boat dock areas, the outdoor athletic facilities and courts, and the parking lots and open areas (together, the “**Club Premises**”). For purposes of this policy, the term “deadly weapon” shall have the meaning set forth in RCW 9A.04.110(6).

## Exceptions

Exceptions to this policy are as follows:

(a) Exempt Persons. The following individuals are exempt from this policy solely and only to the limited extent any such individual is on the Club Premises in the course and furtherance of their official duties:

- Local and state law enforcement, fire and emergency personnel
- State and federal investigators
- Federal military personnel

(b) Exempt Items. The following items of personal property are exempt from the restrictions of this policy:

- Cooking and dining service knives and forks brought and/or maintained on the Club Premises for the sole and limited purpose of assisting in the preparation and/or consumption of meals.
- Fishing and utility knives, clubs and other cutting, chopping or striking tools or instruments brought and/or maintained on the Club Premises for the sole and limited purpose of recreational fishing and/or boat, grounds and equipment repair and maintenance.
- Fireworks designated “safe and sane” by applicable state regulation and/or local ordinance, provided use of such fireworks is (a) authorized by both a then current local ordinance and the club manager, and (b) under direct supervision of a parent or legal guardian member if the user is a minor child of a member or guest.

## General Provisions

This policy applies to all MIBC members, guests, employees, vendors and visitors on Club Premises.

Anyone observing or suspecting a violation of this policy should immediately report the violation to the Club's general manager or a member of the Board.

The general manager may undertake a search of the person or property of any individual on Club Premises the general manager, in his or her sole discretion, has reason to believe is or may be in violation of this policy.

Any person in violation of this policy is required to leave the Club Premises immediately, and the club manager has the authority to cause by any lawful means the removal of any such person who refuses to leave voluntarily. Violation of this policy by a member will result in sanction imposed by the Board in its sole and absolute discretion, up to and including revocation of the member's Club membership upon such terms as the Board may elect. The foregoing remedies are non-exclusive and in addition to all other rights and remedies available to the Club under its bylaws and applicable law.

**THIS POLICY SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED TO CREATE ANY DUTY OR OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF MIBC TO TAKE ANY ACTIONS BEYOND THOSE REQUIRED BY APPLICABLE LAW.**