

SUSQUEHANNA AREA REGIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY
Checkpoint Weapons and Firearms Violation Ordinance

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§101. **Purpose.** It is the declared purpose of this regulation to make provisions which are deemed to be a reasonable exercise of the police power of the Authority granted pursuant to the Municipality Authorities Act of 1945, Act of May 2, 1945, P.L. 382, 53 P.S. §301 et seq. and the Aviation Code, Act of October 10, 1984, P.L. 837, No. 164, 74 Pa. Cons. Stat. Ann. §5101 et seq. (together the "Act") to provide for the health and safety of the public as it pertains to the possession of prohibited weapons and firearms on Airport Property that are detected at the TSA Checkpoint. All charges regarding conduct prescribed by this regulation shall be brought under this regulation, except to the extent such charges are required to be brought under the Act.

§102. **Short Title.** This regulation shall be known and may be cited as the "Checkpoint Weapons and Firearms Violations Ordinance."

§103. **Definitions.** The following words and phrases when used in this regulation shall have, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section. Words or phrases used in this regulation and not defined herein shall have the meaning defined in the Act or, if not defined there, then the meaning commonly attributed to them when used in the appropriate context

Dangerous weapon: A bomb, grenade, blackjack, sandbag, metal knuckles, dagger, knife (the blade of which is exposed in an automatic way by switch, push-button, spring mechanism or otherwise) or other implement for the infliction of serious bodily injury which serves no common lawful purpose.

Firearm: Any weapon, including a starter gun, which will or is designed to expel a projectile or projectiles by the action of an explosion, expansion of gas or escape of gas. The term does not include any device designed or used exclusively for the firing of stud cartridges, explosive rivets or similar industrial ammunition.

TSA Checkpoint: The Transportation Security Administration area where passenger screening operations are performed.

Weapon: Anything readily capable of lethal use and possessed under circumstances not manifestly appropriate for lawful uses which it may have. The term includes a firearm which is not loaded or lacks a clip or other component to render it immediately operable, and components which can readily be assembled into a weapon.

§104. **Prohibited Acts**

A. A person commits an offense and violation of this Ordinance if such person:

1. Possesses a firearm, weapon or other dangerous weapon at or through the TSA Checkpoint or knowingly causes a firearm, weapon or other dangerous weapon to be present at or through the TSA Checkpoint.

§105. **Penalties**. Any person found guilty of violating the Prohibited Acts section of this regulation commits a Summary Offense and, upon conviction, shall pay a fine of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00)