

## **BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSION**

POLICY #2.22	
Subject	Baldwin County Firearms Policy
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Agenda Item	TBD
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## **POLICY STATEMENT**

This policy outlines the Baldwin County Commission's policy on firearms on the premises and in the facilities over which the Baldwin County Commission exercises authority.

## PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENT

Under authority of Act No. 2022-133, effective January 1, 2023, the following policy is in effect on all premises and in all facilities over which the Baldwin County Commission exercises authority:

- **Section 1.** Except as set forth herein and subject to applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations, any person lawfully carrying a pistol in a vehicle or concealed on or about his or her person within this state shall be authorized to carry a pistol in any building, premises or facility over which the Baldwin County Commission exercises authority; provided, however, that, with the exception of those individuals set forth in Section 2, no person shall carry a firearm in the following, without the express permission of a person or entity with authority over the premises:
- 1) Inside the building of a sheriff's station.
- 2) Inside or on the premises of the Baldwin County Corrections Center, Community Corrections facility, or the Baldwin County Juvenile Detention Center.
- 3) Inside the Baldwin County Courthouse in Bay Minette, the Satellite Courthouses in Fairhope and Foley, a courthouse annex as defined by Code of Alabama § 13A-11-61.2(a)(4)(b)(1)

- and (2), a building in which a District Attorney's office is located, a building in which the county commission is currently having a regularly scheduled or specially called meeting or the primary office of any elected official.
- 4) Inside any other building or facility to which access of unauthorized persons and prohibited articles is limited during normal hours of operation by the continuous posting of guards and the use of other security features, including, but not limited to, magnetometers, key cards, biometric screening devices, or turnstiles or other physical barriers that prevent persons entering the facility from bringing prohibited items into the facility.
- 5) Inside any other place where possession of a firearm or a pistol is prohibited by federal or state law or may be prohibited by federal or state law.
- **Section 2.** Subject to applicable state and federal laws, rules and regulations, any elected Alabama county or state official, law enforcement officer, retired judge, or assistant district attorney who lawfully carries a pistol in a vehicle or concealed on or about his or her person within this state shall be expressly authorized to carry a pistol in any area of the Baldwin County Courthouse in Bay Minette and Satellite Courthouses in Fairhope and Foley and the Offices of the Baldwin County District Attorney.
- **Section 3.** The County Commission as the entity with authority over the premises shall place a notice at the public entrances of premises or buildings as listed in Section 1., alerting those entering that firearms are prohibited.
- **Section 4.** Prohibitions regarding the carrying of a firearm under this section shall not apply to law enforcement officers engaged in the lawful execution of their official duties.

## FORMS/ATTACHMENTS/EXHIBITS

1. Act No. 2022-133