

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated
Title 21: Crimes and Punishments
Part VI. Crimes Against Public Peace
Chapter 53: Manufacturing, Selling and Wearing Weapons
§ 1289.6. Conditions under which firearms may be carried

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A. A person shall be permitted to carry loaded and unloaded shotguns, rifles and pistols without a handgun license, open and not concealed, under the following conditions:

1. When hunting animals or fowl;
2. During competition in or practicing in a safety or hunter safety class, target shooting, skeet, trap or other recognized sporting events;
3. During participation in or in preparation for a military function of the state military forces to be defined as the Oklahoma Army or Air National Guard, federal military reserve and active military forces. It is further provided that Oklahoma Army or Air National Guard personnel with proper authorization and performing a military function may carry loaded or unloaded and concealed weapons on Oklahoma Military Department facilities in accordance with rules promulgated by the Adjutant General;
4. During participation in or in preparation for a recognized police function of either a municipal, county, or state government as functioning police officials;
5. During a practice for or a performance for entertainment purposes;
6. As provided for in subsection A of Section 1272 of this title; or
7. For lawful self-defense and self-protection or any other legitimate purpose not in violation of this code or any applicable legislative enactment regarding the use, ownership and control of firearms.

B. A person shall be permitted to carry unloaded shotguns, rifles and pistols without a handgun license as authorized by the Cherokee Nation Self-Defense Act and when going to or from the person's private residence or vehicle.

C. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to prohibit educational or recreational activities, exhibitions, displays or shows involving the use or display of rifles, shotguns or pistols or other weapons if the activity is approved by the property owner and sponsor of the activity.

Historical Data

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