

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

NOTICE

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TO: All Department Personnel

FROM: Chief of Police

SUBJECT: LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTIONS 63.133 AND 63.134 –
ACTIVITIES AND ITEMS PROHIBITED AT CITY FACILITIES

The purpose of this Notice is to inform personnel of recently enacted Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Sections 63.133 and 63.134. Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.133 establishes penalties for violating posted rules governing the use of City property and facilities. The LAMC Section 63.134 bans certain items from City facilities.

Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.133 – Violation of Posted Rules

This ordinance creates penalties for persons who enter or remain at City facilities, including, but not limited to, City Hall, City Hall East, Libraries, and Recreation and Parks facilities, in violation of a posted rule created and adopted in accordance with the City Charter and this Code section. Upon a violation of a posted rule, an officer may, at his or her discretion, warn the violator. If the violator continues to engage in the prohibited activity after being warned, an officer may issue a Non-Traffic Notice to Appear, Form 05.02.02. Officers shall document in the Non-Traffic Notice to Appear the facts and circumstances surrounding the violator's prohibited activity, any warnings given, as well as the identity of any witnesses, if available.

A first violation is an infraction ONLY, with a fine of \$100.00. Subsequent violations may be punishable by a \$250.00 fine, citation for an infraction, or citation/arrest as a misdemeanor.

Note: Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.133 does not apply to a person in a room in which a public meeting is in progress pursuant to the Brown Act, such as City Council chambers or Committee rooms.

Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.134 – Items Prohibited at City Facilities

This ordinance makes clear that any person entering a City facility may be searched, provides a list of items which are banned in City facilities, and provides exceptions to those prohibitions. Searches may be conducted of the person and his or her belongings, *including but not limited to*, rolling carts, wheelchairs, and strollers.

Unless a person has prior written approval of the department head responsible for the control of a City facility or his or her designee, it shall be unlawful for any person to enter or remain in a City facility with any of the following:

- Any weapon prohibited by state law, including, but not limited to, Section 171(b) of the California Penal Code (PC), as amended by any successor statutes;
- Illegal narcotics or controlled substances;
- Bear repellent, mace, or pepper spray;
- Bat or baton;
- Box cutter, utility knife, or razor blade;
- Ice pick;
- Fireworks or explosives;
- Knife of any length;
- Martial arts weapons of any kind;
- Metal, composite, or wooden knuckles;
- Sword, saber, or other bladed device;
- Animal, except a service or comfort animal (one capable of working, assisting, or performing a task for the benefit of the person with a disability);
- Replica firearm; or,
- Any item that, in the reasonable judgement of a peace officer (as defined in Penal Code Section 830, et. seq.), may be used as a weapon or otherwise may be dangerous or hazardous, where such person has failed or refused to relinquish, dispose of, or stow away from the City facility such item.

Officers observing violations of this Section may cite the person by issuing the Non-Traffic Notice to Appear for LAMC Section 63.134. Officers shall document in the Non-Traffic Notice to Appear a detailed description of the prohibited item and any previous warnings given to the violator, if applicable. Officers shall book the prohibited item consistent with current Department policy on booking evidence.

Note: Possession of any of the above items may also constitute a violation of the California Penal Code or Health and Safety Code. Personnel shall investigate, detain and arrest as appropriate, and book all evidentiary items according to Department procedure. If a custodial arrest is made, the LAMC violation shall be denoted within the arrest report under the heading of *Request for Additional Charges*, instead of the Non-Traffic Notice to Appear being issued.

Note: Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 63.134 does not apply to a duly appointed peace officer, a retired peace officer with authorization to carry concealed weapons as described in 254 PC, or a qualified reserve officer as defined in 830.6 PC.

Note: For entry onto grounds of property or buildings used, operated or occupied by the Los Angeles Police Department which violates a posted rule, officers shall use LAMC Section 63.131. For violations occurring on grounds of property or buildings used, operated or occupied by the Los Angeles Fire Department, officers shall use LAMC Section 63.132.

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Should you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact the Office of Constitutional Policing and Policy, at (213) 486-8730.



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