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Standard Operating Guidelines

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Purpose: To establish rules and regulation regarding firearms and/or dangerous weapons in and around the fire station and at fire/emergency scenes

It is expressly forbidden for any firefighter or officer of the King of Prussia Fire Company to carry a firearm and/or other dangerous weapon on their person while in the engine room, parking areas, or interior of the Allendale or Beidler Road stations.

The term ***Dangerous Weapon*** shall include, but not be limited to:

- a. air, CO₂, or other type of pellet gun
- b. bow and arrow/crossbow
- c. blackjack, truncheon, brass knuckles or any similar device
- d. switchblade, stiletto, or any other type of knife with a spring release device in which the blade is released from the handle with blade length greater than 2 inches
- e. any type of knife with an edge portion of the blade exceeding 6 inches

The only exceptions to this rule are as follows:

1. On duty police or military personnel

2. Off duty police personnel who are under the direction of their (police) departmental procedure requiring them to carry a weapon When off duty. The Fire Chief reserves the right to confirm this policy with the officer's employer.
3. Any member who receives **written** permission from the Fire Chief and the President to carry a firearm and/or dangerous weapon onto fire company property.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL ANY FIREFIGHTER GO INTO SERVICE WHILE CARRYING A FIREARM AND/OR DANGEROUS WEAPON ON THEIR PERSON.

It is the responsibility of the firefighter to secure his/her weapon in a safe manner as prescribed by his/her employer and/or common sense.

The first offense of the above procedure shall be a verbal and written warning, and subsequent offenses shall result in suspension or expulsion from the company