

**“AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT THE CARRYING OF  
WEAPONS INTO COUNTY BUILDINGS”**

Ordinance No. 2013-3

WHEREAS, the County Commission of McDonald County, Missouri, has determined that the public safety and welfare requires the Prohibition of weapons in County Buildings, and,

WHEREAS, Section 471.107 RSMo authorizes the County Commission to Prohibit the carrying of weapons into County Buildings, now, therefore, pursuant to such authorization,

BE IT ORDERED AND ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION OF MCDONALD COUNTY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. In accordance with the Authority found in Section 571.107 RSMo, the carrying of concealed firearms by concealed carry permit holders is prohibited in all buildings and on all property owned, or occupied by the County, except that County Elected officials may carry a concealed firearm with a Concealed Carry Permit, and County Elected officials may authorize their employees with a Concealed Carry Permit to do so on County property.

Section 2. As required by Section 571.107 RSMo, Section 1 of this ordinance shall not apply to any county property used as public housing by private persons, highways, rest areas or firing ranges, and private dwellings owned, leased, or controlled by the County.

Section 3. In accordance with the County's authority to enact ordinances to promote the general welfare and health and safety of its citizens, the carrying of any firearm, knife, or blackjack, all as defined in Section 571.010 RSMo, or any other weapon readily capable of lethal use, in the McDonald County Courthouse or other county building, whether concealed or not, is prohibited.

Section 4. Any concealed carry permit holder who violates the provisions of Section 1 of this ordinance by carrying a concealed firearm into a county building may be denied entrance to the building, or ordered to leave the building.

Section 5. Persons without a concealed carry permit who violates Section 1 or 3 of this ordinance, or a concealed carry permit holder who violates section 3 of this ordinance with a weapon other than a firearm, shall be subject to prosecution under the applicable State criminal law governing weapons offenses in Missouri and the law governing criminal trespass in Missouri.

Section 6. The County Commission shall cause to be posted at each entrance to county buildings notice that: "The carrying of a firearm or any other weapon readily capable of lethal use into county buildings is prohibited, except for law enforcement officers and other persons legally authorized to carry a weapon in the course of their employment."

Section 7. This ordinance does not authorize any persons to carry any firearm, knife, or blackjack, all as defined in Section 571.010 RSMo, or any other weapon readily capable of lethal

use, into any portion of the McDonald County Courthouse that is used as the Missouri State Circuit or Associate Circuit Court or any portion that is used as the McDonald County Circuit Court's Office.

READ TWO TIMES AND PASSED THIS 13<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2013.

  
Keith Lindquist, Presiding Commissioner

  
John Bunch, Eastern Commissioner

  
David Holloway, Western Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Barbara Williams, County Clerk



BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the final passage of this Ordinance the roll call vote for approval was the following persons voting:

"Aye"



"Nay"

