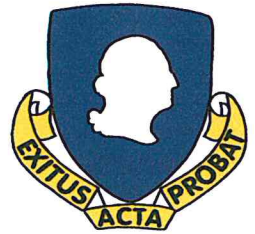


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Command Policy Letter CG 15-01

SUBJECT: Firearms

1. Per statute, the Virginia Defense Force may be armed with firearms only at the expressed direction of the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
2. Many VDF members hold concealed weapons permits. Other VDF members possess weapons as peace officers in their civilian employment. Neither of these situations empowers any member of the VDF to be in possession of firearms while in either training duty status or on State Active Duty.
3. All subordinate commanders are reminded that Virginia Code 44-54.10 (Discipline) and 44-40 (Discipline and Training) apply to VDF members on both training duty and State Active Duty. Failure to comply with the weapon prohibition can be grounds for disciplinary action.
4. Commanders will ensure maximum distribution of this policy level down to the individual soldier.

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