## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 64**

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 22, 1996

SUBJECT: RESTRICTION OF WEAPONS AT METRO FACILITIES

The purpose of this Executive Order is to set forth policies restricting weapons at Metro facilities.

## I. GENERAL

Metro is committed to providing each employee with a work environment that is safe and secure and free of prejudice, harassment, threats, intimidation and all levels of violence. Several measures have been implemented to protect employees and visitors to the Metro facilities. This policy restricting the possession of weapons on Metro premises is an important part of ensuring a safe workplace.

## II. POLICY AND PROCEDURES

- A. <u>General Rule</u>. No member of the public or Metro employee, while on the premises of Metro property, including Metro owned or leased parking areas, and, in the case of Metro employees, while the employees are on duty, whether on Metro property or not, shall:
  - (1) Carry a firearm, loaded or unloaded. "Firearm" is defined to include a pistol, revolver, gun, rifle or other ordinance, including a miniature weapon, which projects a missile or shot by force of gunpowder or any other explosive, by spring or by compressed air.
  - (2) Carry a dangerous or deadly weapon. "Dangerous or deadly weapon" includes a firearm, metal knuckles, straight razor, weapon of the type commonly known as a nunchaku, blackjack, sap or sap glove, slingshot, bomb or bombshell, and any type of knife other than an ordinary pocketknife with a blade not longer than three and one-half inches. When carried with intent to use the same unlawfully against another, "dangerous or deadly weapon" also includes any instrument or device capable of inflicting injury to the person or property of another.
  - (3) Carry, discharge, or set off any fireworks or explosives of any nature.
- B. Exceptions. The general rule set forth in Section II(A) shall not apply to non Metro employees who are authorized to bring weapons into public buildings pursuant to ORS 166.370; provided, however, that persons licensed to carry concealed handguns pursuant to ORS 166.370(2)(d) may carry only the weapons authorized by the license while on the premises of Metro property, including Metro owned or leased parking areas.

- C. <u>Metro Employees</u>. The general rule set forth in Section II(A) shall not apply to Metro employees who have been specifically authorized in writing to carry weapons as part of their job duties by the Executive Officer.
- D. <u>Metro Washington Park Zoo.</u> Possession of weapons at the Metro Washington Park Zoo shall continue to be governed by Metro Code Section 4.01.060(m).

IT IS SO ORDERED this 23 day of

. 1996.

Mike Burton, Executive Officer



Date:

July 24, 1996

To:

Department Directors:

From:

Mike Burton, Executive Officer

Re:

Executive Order Number 64 - Restriction of Weapons at Metro Facilities

Attached you will find a copy of Executive Order Number 64, Restriction of Weapons at Metro Facilities. The purpose of this Executive Order is to set forth policies restricting weapons at Metro facilities and procedures to secure a safe workplace for Metro employees.

Please ensure that your employees are made aware of the provisions of this Executive Order. Thank you.

Attachment