



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
56TH FIGHTER WING (AETC)  
LUKE AIR FORCE BASE AZ 85309-1629**

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL PERSONNEL

FROM: 56 SFS/CC

SUBJECT: Transportation, Storage, Registration, and Carry of Privately Owned Firearms

1. IAW 56 FW OPlan 31, *Integrated Defense Plan (IDP)*, Tab I to Appendix 3 to Annex C, the following information provides local guidance regarding the transportation, storage, registration, and carry of privately owned firearms (POFs) on Luke AFB. Throughout this document, the term “personnel” refers to U.S. citizens with a valid DoD issued ID card to include: military, civilian employee, contractor, retiree, and dependent DoD issued ID cards.

2. **General:**

a. IAW 18 U.S.C. 930(a) Federal law prohibits the possession of a firearm in a federal facility unless specifically authorized by the installation commander.

b. IAW AFI 31-117, *Arming and Use of Force by Air Force Personnel*, personnel may not bear POFs or ammunition while performing official military duty.

c. IAW 56 FW OPlan 31, *IDP*, when stopped by law enforcement (Security Forces, OSI, and civilian agencies) personnel must declare all weapons, to include POFs, in their direct possession or located within their vehicle. Note: Declaring weapons is not required during routine base entry procedures.

d. IAW 56 FW OPlan 31, *IDP*, the discharge of POFs or other privately owned weapons on Luke AFB is strictly prohibited.

e. IAW 56 FW OPlan 31, *IDP*, transporting, handling, carrying, and/or using firearms while under the influence of intoxicants is prohibited.

f. IAW 56 FW OPlan 31, *IDP*, foreign nationals are prohibited from possessing a POF in any capacity on Luke AFB.

3. **Transportation:** Personnel legally authorized to possess a firearm in the state of Arizona may transport POFs within their motor vehicle when traveling on Luke AFB. When transporting POFs, the firearm **MUST** be completely unloaded (no magazine or ammunition inside the firearm) **prior** to entering the installation and out of the immediate reach of all vehicle occupants (i.e., cannot be located under the seat, inside an unlocked center console, etc.). If unable to place the firearm immediately out of reach, then it must be secured inside a locked container. Firearms will not be transported inside a vehicle on the installation for more than 24 continuous hours. At no point will a POF be removed from its secure location within a vehicle while on the installation unless it is to transition directly to/from the vehicle to an authorized storage location.

4. **Storage:** Personnel residing in base housing are authorized to store registered POFs in their family quarters. Personnel staying in Saguaro Skies family campground (FAMCamp) are authorized to store registered POFs inside their camper or recreational vehicle (RV) only – storage inside one’s passenger vehicle is prohibited. All POFs must be stored unloaded and out of reach of children and/or personnel not authorized to possess a firearm. Personnel residing in dormitories and base lodging facilities (TLFs, VAQs, and VOCs) are prohibited from storing POFs in those facilities. U.S. personnel residing in these facilities may store POFs in the Security Forces Armory, Bldg #179. The Security Forces Armory will not store weapons accessories (slings, cases, magazines, etc.) or ammunition; however, optics attached to the weapon need not be removed. **NOTE:** Prior to withdrawing a POF from the Security Forces Armory, all personnel are required to submit to a federal background check which may take up to 24 hours to process. POFs will not be returned prior to the receipt of favorable results from this background check; please plan accordingly.

5. **Registration:** All POFs stored on Luke AFB, regardless of location, must be registered with the Security Forces Armory within 24 hours of arrival to include POFs stored in base housing and Saguaro Skies FAMCamp. Registration requires completion of an AF Form 1314, *Firearms Registration*, and a DD Form 2760, *Qualification to Possess Firearms or Ammunition*. Registration is not required for vehicle transport of a firearm when in compliance with paragraph 3 of this memorandum.

6. **Carry:** Carry is defined as possessing a POF on one’s person (concealed or open), under one’s direct control (i.e., in a purse or backpack), or within immediate reach (i.e., in a desk drawer, under the seat of a vehicle, or in an unlocked center console of a vehicle). **Carry of POFs is strictly prohibited on Luke AFB.**

a. **Law Enforcement Officers’ Safety Act (LEOSA):** The sole exception to the above carry policy applies to personnel authorized and credentialed to carry under LEOSA. LEOSA credentialed personnel may only carry concealed (open carry is prohibited) on the installation when **off-duty** and are prohibited from carrying in the following facilities at all times: restricted and controlled areas, all 56th Medical Group facilities, and the installation’s Youth and Child Development Centers.

7. My point of contact for this matter is the Security Forces Plans & Programs office reachable at (623) 856-2587 or DSN 896-2587.

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Attachment:  
Luke AFB Privately Owned Firearms (POF) Authorization Matrix

**Attachment 1  
LUKE AFB PRIVATELY OWNED FIREARMS (POF) AUTHORIZATION MATRIX**

<p align="center"><b>The following matrix provides a quick reference outlining Luke AFB policies regarding authorized transportation, storage, and carry of POFs on the installation.</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Personnel authorized to transport, store, or carry POFs on Luke AFB must do so in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal laws and policy to include: attached 56 FW Memorandum dated 29 June 22 - <i>Transportation, Storage, Registration, and Carry of Privately Owned Firearms</i>; 18 United States Code 922, 18 United States Code 930; DAFI 31-101, <i>Integrated Defense</i>; AFI 31-117, <i>Arming and Use of Force by Air Force Personnel</i>; 56 FW OPlan 31, <i>Integrated Defense Plan</i>; and Arizona Statutes.</b></p>			
	<p align="center"><b>Authorized to transport POFs inside a vehicle</b></p> <p align="center"><small>Unloaded and properly secured prior to entering the installation. Reference memorandum for full guidelines</small></p>	<p align="center"><b>Authorized to store POFs in approved storage locations</b></p> <p align="center"><small>Reference memorandum for approved locations</small></p>	<p align="center"><b>Authorized to carry a POF on the installation</b></p> <p align="center"><small>Reference memorandum for additional details</small></p>
<p><b>DoD Common Access Card (CAC) Holders</b> <small>(U.S. military, civilian, and contractor)</small></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>DoD Dependent Card Holders DoD</b></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>DoD Retiree Card Holders</b></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>Luke AFB DBIDS Card Holders</b> <small>(Contractors, civic leaders, and honorary commanders)</small></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>Commercial delivery drivers</b> <small>(Only when authorized installation access for official deliveries)</small></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>Foreign Nationals</b> <small>(To include those issued a DoD ID Card)</small></p>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>All other visitors</b></p>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>NO</b>
<p><b>Qualified Law Enforcement Officers</b> <small>(Must be off-duty and credentialed under the Law Enforcement Officers' Safety Act (LEOSA))</small></p>	<b>YES</b>	<b>YES</b>	<p><b>*YES</b> <small>*Prohibited facilities: restricted and controlled areas, all 56th Medical Group facilities, and Youth and Child Development Centers</small></p>