

## Weapons Policy

- All costume props and weapons are subject to the approval of library staff and/or the deputy sheriff.
- No real firearms. Live steel (real knives, blades, and swords) is also prohibited.
- Realistic-looking firearms and realistic-bladed weapons must be approved by a library staff member or deputy sheriff and must be marked with an issued tie.
- We highly encourage orange caps on all costume-related firearms.
- Any questionable prop may be inspected by staff at any time and the attendee may be asked to remove the prop from the building for the duration of the event.
- Library staff or the Anderson County Sheriff's Office have the right to modify these rules on the spot to protect attendees, library patrons, and the safety of the event. Noncompliance with any rules will result in expulsion from the event.

## Prop Guidelines

For the security of attendees, as well as library patrons and staff, we ask that you adhere to the following guidelines for props:

1. All prop weapons must be checked by library staff/deputy at the check-in table.
2. Prop weapons must be easily distinguishable from real weapons.
3. Props should not be able to fire, launch, or eject any type of projectile or object. If your prop has this capability, it must be disabled or unloaded.
4. For safety reasons, the following props are **not allowed**:
  - Live animals (with the exception of service animals)
  - Live flame, pyrotechnics, or explosives of any kind
  - Substances that might damage or stain facilities or other costumes and participants (i.e., fake blood, glitter, confetti, silly string, water, messy body and/or face paint, etc.)
  - Aerosol Sprays
  - Smoke generators
  - Noisemakers of any kind
  - Metal bats, large wrenches, or shovels
  - Water guns, Nerf guns, Airsoft guns
5. No play-acting or stunt fighting with props allowed on library property.
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