



# WEAPONS & RELATED EQUIPMENT

Enforcement Division  
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## POLICY

The Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission (TABC) authorizes certified peace officers (CPOs) to carry authorized weapons while on-duty or when in an agency-owned vehicle. The TABC authorizes the use of the following weapons by its CPOs:

- Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) Spray
- Agency-Issued Expandable Baton
- Agency-Authorized Firearms

CPOs may carry knives. A knife is a tool and not intended for use as a weapon, except as authorized by Chapter 9 of the Texas Penal Code.

CPOs will not carry an unauthorized weapon on or about his or her person, in an agency-owned vehicle, or while on duty. This rule, however, does not apply to a situation in which a CPO legally seizes weapons and gives them to the property officer within a reasonable time.

## RULES

Texas Penal Code § 46.05.