

TATC Firearm Policy (8/7/2018)

TATC has adopted a policy discouraging the carrying of firearms of all types (open carry or concealed carry) at certain TATC hiking, paddling, biking and other group events, locations, and campouts. This policy provides guidelines which may be waived at the discretion of event leaders. Individual cabin renters may also choose to waive this requirement at their discretion at the TATC cabin. A copy of this policy may be downloaded from this website, or a hardcopy may be obtained by contacting a member of the TATC Board of Directors.

Written Policy

In the interest of safety for all club members, it is the policy of TATC that firearms of any kind (as defined in the Virginia Code) should not be brought to Club events. Members are encouraged to use their best judgment in adhering to this policy in order to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all individuals present.

Trail Maintenance Trips

Firearms should not be brought to TATC sponsored maintenance trips, including camping at Sherando Lake Recreation Area and local maintenance trips.

Cabin Maintenance and Private Cabin Rentals

Firearms should not be brought to officially scheduled work/orientation training visits to the Douglas Putman Cabin. Private cabin renters and their accompanying users are permitted to possess legal firearms. The discharge of firearms on cabin property is forbidden except in cases of threat to life.

Individual (Non-Maintenance) Events

“Events” include, but are not limited to, hikes, walks, paddles, bike rides, and all other activities organized for participation by TATC members and guests. Event leaders may determine their preference about firearms for their event. This will be reflected on the TATC Activity Sign-up sheet by the following choices:

- At discretion of participant
- Prohibited