



The Vanderbilt University Imitation Firearm Performance Exception for Student Centers Performances

- Imitation firearms must be concealed and transported discreetly in a closed case to controlled rehearsal and performance locations. They may not be handled or displayed in public or non-production areas.
- All imitation firearms used in a production must be securely stored in a location designated by Student Theatres and kept locked when not in active use.
- Imitation firearms may be used only during rehearsals or performances conducted in contained theatrical settings designed for staged productions and under the supervision of the Technical Director or their designee. This exemption does not include outdoor performances, common areas, or locations visible to the general public.
- Imitation firearms that are capable of creating a "firing effect" (i.e.; Capable of firing blanks, caps, or similar) are expressly forbidden, even if this feature is not intended to be used in the production.
- Imitation firearms capable of expelling airsoft, BB's, pellets, or similar are expressly forbidden, even if this feature is not intended to be used in the production.
- Written content warnings disclosing the use of an imitation firearm must be posted and clearly visible at all patron entrances.
- A verbal content warning disclosing the use of an imitation firearm must be included in a pre-show announcement for each performance.
- Imitation firearms must be securely stored when a TD is not present in the space.