

52<sup>ND</sup> District Court  
Administrative Order 2006-2

SECURITY POLICIES FOR COURT FACILITIES

This administrative order is issued in accordance with Michigan Supreme Court Administrative order 2001-1. The purpose of this order is to address the presence of weapons in court facilities.

**IT IS ORDERED:**

1. No weapons are allowed in the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Courts. This prohibition does not apply to Oakland County Sheriff's Deputies in the performance of their official duties or to law enforcement officers appearing for court in the performance of their official duties only. Officers appearing at the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Courts on any personal matter may not carry a weapon or wear their uniform in these facilities. The Chief Judge may authorize an exception in extraordinary circumstances.

2. Except as provided in paragraph #1 above, all persons and their belongings and all parcels are subject to screening by the Oakland County Sheriff's Deputies for the purposes of keeping weapons from entering the facility.

If at any time there is an articulable and reasonable suspicion that a weapon may be found, a person or object is subject to search. The search shall be no more intrusive than necessary to protect against the dangers presented.

3. Notice shall be posted that "No weapons are permitted in the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Courts. All persons and property are subject to a search for weapons and restricted items as a condition of entry. Persons in violation of this order may be held in contempt of court."

4. Due to the potential for unauthorized recording of court proceedings, all film or electronic recording devices are prohibited from all divisions of the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court, including all adjoining buildings or spaces therein. In accordance with this policy, all persons shall be prohibited from entering the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court while in possession of cameras, video cameras, video recorders, tape recorders, cell phones with photographic, video or audio recording capabilities or any other device equipped with camera or recording features. Exception: Attorneys who show proof of active bar membership with a bar card, may bring cell phones and PDAs equipped with photographic, video and/or audio recording capabilities into the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Courts. Cell phones and PDAs may be used for communication only in public areas. Cell phones and PDAs must be turned off in the courtrooms and hearing rooms and may not be used for recording purposes. Individuals who wish to enter the 52<sup>nd</sup> District Court with a film or electronic recording device may request an exception to this policy from the judge presiding over the applicable court proceeding. All other exceptions shall be presented to the Chief Judge for his or her approval. Requests for film or electronic media coverage of a court proceeding shall be governed by Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 1989-1.

5. Administrative Order 2003-11 is rescinded.

6-29-06  
Date

  
William E. Bolle  
Chief Judge

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This is to advise that we have reviewed the above referenced administrative order and find that it conforms to the requirements of MCR 8.112(B). This order is being accepted and filed until advised by your court of any change.

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