## **Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District**

## **POLICY MANUAL**

POLICY TITLE: Weapons POLICY NUMBER: 7265

- **7265.1** The goal of the Butte County Mosquito and Vector Control District (District) is to provide a safe and healthy work environment for all of its employees those members of the public coming into contact with its employees.
- **7265.2** District employees shall not have a weapon on their person or in their possession or under their control, nor shall they maintain or store such, on or about or on District property, at off-site workplaces or while traveling to or from those work sites, or while otherwise acting within the course and scope of their employment. As used herein, the term weapon means;
  - **7265.2.1** Firearms or any other such device using an explosive to propel bullets or other projectiles;
  - **7265.2.2** Guns or any other such device using compressed air or other gas to propel BBs, pellets, or other projectiles;
  - **7265.2.3** Any device for shooting something under pressure, such as a paintball gun;
  - **7265.2.4** Bows, crossbows, or other archery equipment and arrows or other projectiles of any type;
  - **7265.2.5** Slingshots or any other similar device used to propel stones or other objects;
  - **7265.2.6** Ammunition for any of the foregoing:
  - **7265.2.7** A Billy club, truncheon, or similar device;
  - **7265.2.8** Explosives; and
  - **7265.2.9** Knives, blades, or other stabbing or cutting devices, except as provided below.
- **7265.3** The foregoing are deemed weapons for purposes of this policy whether loaded or unloaded, whether operable or inoperable, whether real or imitation, and whether or not the employee has a license / permit to own or operate the weapon.
- **7265.4** Folding pocket knives with a blade length of three (3) inches or less (which excludes the choil, bolster, and spine), multi-tools (i.e. Leatherman), hand tools purchased for District use by the District, and cooking or eating utensils are not considered weapons, unless brandished or used in an unlawful, threatening, and/or dangerous manner.
- **7265.5** Employees are encouraged to report any breach of this policy (without fear of retaliation) immediately to the District Manager, Assistant Manager, or Regional Supervisor.
- **7265.6** Employees found in breach of this policy will be disciplined in accordance with Policy 7260.

| understand, and agree to adhere t | e. By signing this agreement, I hereby represent that I have read, to and abide by the District's Weapons policy. This signed copy will be nel file as receipt of acknowledgement of being informed of such policy. |
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