

POLICY NUMBER: SSCPOL021:3**POLICY TITLE: Weapons**

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1.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure clear information is provided to staff and students regarding the Skillset Senior College Limited's (SSC) approach to weapons on school premises.

This policy relates to all SSC staff and students

2.0 POLICY

No student of SSC is permitted to carry onto the property a weapon of any description.

A weapon is any object that can be used to harm another person.

Possession of a weapon is a criminal offence under the provisions of the *Prohibited Weapons Act, 1989*. Weapons **include**, but are not limited to, the items listed below. All the items below are banned from school premises:

- firearms of any kind
- imitation or replica of any firearm
- spear guns
- knives
- hunting slings
- catapults or slingshots
- knuckle dusters
- studded gloves or sap gloves
- blow guns or any other similar device capable of projecting a dart
- whips of any kind
- kung fu sticks or nunchaku
- batons of any type
- mace
- any defense or anti-personnel sprays
- fireworks
- explosives
- discharging irritants in liquid, gas or powder form

A student should also find little cause to bring a screwdriver of any kind to SSC. If such an occasion does arise, they are to leave the tools with SSC teaching staff for the day. The Teaching Staff has the right to use reasonable judgment in regards to what other items might be used by a student as a weapon.

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