

**NOTICE**  
**PUBLIC CONDUCT WITHIN THE STATE HOUSE COMPLEX**  
**Reference RSA 644:2 “Disorderly Conduct”**

**GENERAL**

- 1) Persons in the State House complex shall refrain from:
  - Loud or unusual noise or profanity;
  - Running, crowding, pushing or shoving;
  - Any conduct which obstructs entrances, walks, corridors, elevators, offices, stairways or hearing rooms;
  - Any other conduct that creates a risk of harm to any person or which would disrupt essential governmental operations.
- 2) Pets are not allowed inside the State House complex buildings except for those to aid handicapped persons.
- 3) Food and beverages are allowed in the State House cafeteria and the Legislative Office Building basement lounge only, except by special arrangement.

**SECURITY**

- 1) Security and control of the complex are the joint responsibility of Legislative Security and the State Police under the authority vested in them by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.
- 2) The security and enforcement of laws and rules within the House and Senate Chambers, galleries and anterooms shall be the primary responsibility of the respective Sergeants-at-Arms. The responsibility of enforcement of laws and rules for all other areas of the State House complex shall be the primary responsibility of the Chief of Security Services and the State Police under the authority vested in them by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.
- 3) All persons entering the State House or Legislative Office Building are deemed to have consented to security screening of their person and property for weapons. Members of the public may leave the building rather than submit to the screening.
- 4) The presiding officers shall have general supervision over their respective chambers, and in the case of a disturbance, disorderly conduct or other actions which disrupt governmental operations in the chamber, a gallery or a lobby, may order the appropriate Sergeant-at-Arms to clear the area. In the case of a disturbance, disorderly conduct or other actions which disrupt governmental operations in a committee or hearing room, the Chair may order Legislative Security to clear the room.

**DEMONSTRATIONS**

- 1) Demonstrations are permitted by permit only.
- 2) No sticks, rods or similar devices may be used to support a banner, sign or placard.
- 3) Banners, signs and placards may not be carried or held in such a way as to obstruct another's view or to endanger the safety of another.
- 4) Banners, signs and placards are prohibited in the House and Senate Chambers, galleries and in House and Senate committee rooms.