

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

The National Museum of the United States Army is committed to the safety of our visitors and protection of the Museum. When you arrive at the Museum you will proceed through a security screening similar to airport passenger screenings. Please be ready for this screening process when you enter the Museum by having your bags open and ready for inspection and emptying your pockets before going through the screening station.

Items Not Permitted in the Museum

- Food and drink to include candy and gum are prohibited. Sealed water bottles, empty water bottles, baby milk and formula, and "toddler food" are permitted as is food needed for visitors with dietary restrictions (e.g. halal, kosher, or for medical reasons).
- Firearms and ammunition; real or replica. Federal law enforcement officers are authorized to carry at all times; local law enforcement may only carry while on official business.
- Knives, razors, box cutters or any other sort of blade or pointed object.
- Weapons: clubs, brass knuckles, hammers, martial arts weapons, stun guns, or other types of weapons.
- Tobacco, e-cigarettes, vapes, smokeless tobacco, illegal drugs, marijuana, or drug paraphernalia.
- Alcohol. Visitors attending special events (e.g. retirement ceremonies, promotion ceremonies) may bring sealed and wrapped bottles as gifts.
- Mace, pepper spray, or any other type of disabling chemical.
- Lighters, real or replica explosives, incendiaries, or fireworks.
- Spray paint, spray cans, or aerosols—medical devices exempted.
- Monopods, tripods, and selfie sticks.
- Signs, posters, placards or banners larger than 11 × 13 in.—unless prior approval is obtained.
- Noisemaking or amplification devices—except those required for legitimate medical purposes.
- Bags larger than 22 × 14 × 9 in. (standard backpack).
- Live plants or flowers.
- Coolers.
- Balloons - non-floating balloons are permitted for events.
- Sporting equipment.
- Canvas, easels, paint, or other art supplies. Sketch books and pencils are permitted.

- Laser pointers.
- Hover boards, segways, skateboards, castor boards, bicycles, or equivalents.
- Animals - Service animals and service animals in training are permitted.
- Flags on poles or sticks that do not fit into a backpack.
- Cremated remains.
- Anything else deemed hazardous or suspicious by security.

Items Permitted in the Museum

- Backpacks smaller than 22 × 14 × 9 in.
- Baby milk and formula
- Sealed or empty water bottles
- Toddler food
- Food needed for dietary or medical reasons
- Service animals
- Cameras
- Hand-carried sketchbooks and pencils

Visitor Policies

- No food, drinks, or chewing gum in the exhibit galleries.
- Visitors under 16 must be accompanied by an adult
- No flash photography in exhibit galleries

Photography Consent

By entering the Museum or Campus, visitors consent to be photographed or included in video content for use by the Museum or the Army Historical Foundation for official purposes.

Smoking and Vaping Policy

Tobacco-Free and Smoke-Free Campus

Smoking and tobacco use of any kind -- but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes, vaping devices and smokeless tobacco products -- are strictly prohibited inside the Museum and on the entire Museum Campus.