

Firearms & DV Pocket Card

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MNPD must seize any firearms used during the *commission* of a DV incident. (TCA § 36-3-620(a)1)

MNPD may seize firearms in *plain view* or discovered pursuant to a *consensual search* during a DV arrest. (TCA § 36-3-620(a)2)

Check if Defendant has Handgun Carry Permit on *any* DV offense & flag in offense report narrative (firearm evidence).

Charge Defendant with A Misdemeanor (TCA § 39-17-1307) firearm possession with prior DV misdemeanor conviction (felony possession if felony history) or OP Firearms Violation (Offense Code 520) with active OP.

Ask Victim:

- LAP questions #1 & #4 to determine firearms access
- Permission to search for the defendant's firearms
- If they would like to come to the Family Safety Center (FSC) for resources and help planning for their safety

Express Concern for Victim's Safety:

- Firearms access increases likelihood of murder 5x
- Firearms threats/assault increases likelihood by 20x