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CHAPTER 18

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SEC. 18-1. TITLE

This ordinance may be known and cited as the "County Dangerous Weapon Ordinance" of Scott County, Iowa.

SEC. 18-2. DEFINITION - DANGEROUS WEAPON

- A. "Dangerous Weapon" is any instrument or device designed primarily for use in inflicting death or injury upon a human being or animal, and which is capable of inflicting death upon a human being when used in the manner for which it was designed. Additionally, any instrument or device of any sort whatsoever which is actually used in such a manner as to indicate that the defendant intends to inflict death or serious injury upon the other, and which, when so used, is capable of inflicting death upon a human being, is a dangerous weapon. Dangerous weapons include, but are not limited to, any offensive weapon, pistol, revolver, or other firearm, dagger, razor, stiletto or knife having a blade of three inches or longer in length, or nunchuka, sai, kama, tonfa, throwing starr, butterfly knife or brass knuckles.

SEC. 18-3. SALE OR POSSESSION OF OFFENSIVE WEAPONS PROHIBITED

No person shall sell, give, or otherwise supply dangerous weapons as defined in Sec. 18-2 to any person knowing or having reasonable cause to believe him to be under eighteen years of age, and no person or persons under eighteen years of age shall individually or jointly have offensive weapons in his or their possession or control.

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SEC. 18-4. EXCEPTIONS

Provided that this ordinance shall not apply to any of the following:

- A. A person under eighteen years of age within a private home and with the knowledge and consent of the parent or guardian;
- B. A person under eighteen years upon the premises of a martial arts school or studio, said school possessing all licenses necessary to conduct the business of teaching and instructing persons in the martial arts and said person under the age of eighteen having the written authorization to so participate from his or her parent or guardian;
- C. A person under sixteen years of age, who is otherwise legally in possession of a firearm or bow and arrow and is under the immediate supervision of an adult, or a person under eighteen years of age and over sixteen years of age and possessing a valid hunting license and is otherwise legally in possession of a firearm or bow and arrow.

SEC. 18-5. PENALTY

Anyone violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a simple misdemeanor and, upon conviction, be subject to imprisonment not exceeding thirty days, or a fine not exceeding \$100.00, each day that a violation continues to exist.