

COMMUNITYNEWS

ASK A TROOPER

How to transport firearms legally

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Minnesota State Patrol

Q: What is the law in regards to transporting a firearm for hunting?

■ **A:** Per MS 97B.045, unless transporting under the exceptions listed below, a person may not transport a firearm, including a handgun, in or on a motor vehicle unless the firearm is:

- unloaded and in a case made expressly for that purpose;
- unloaded and in the closed trunk of a motor vehicle; or
- carried under a valid permit to carry a pistol or handgun.

■ Under the following circumstances, a person may transport unloaded, uncased firearms (excluding pistols) in a motor vehicle, including ATVs:

- while at a shooting range with permission
- while lawfully hunting on private or public land or while traveling to or from a site the person intends to hunt or trap or has lawfully hunted that day.



Neil Dickenson

■ Firearms must be transported unloaded and cased:

- within Anoka, Hennepin, or Ramsey counties.
- within the boundaries of a home rule, charter, or statutory city with a population of 2,500 or more.
- on school grounds
- as otherwise restricted in game refuges, shining, thermal imaging or night vision laws.

If you have any questions concerning traffic related laws in Minnesota, send your questions to: Sgt. Neil Dickenson, Minnesota State Patrol, 1131 Mesaba Ave., Duluth, MN 55811, or at neil.dickenson@state.mn.us.

BORDERLAND BRIEFS

PRESENTATION ON ASSETS

Koochiching Aging Options will sponsor a free public informational presentation Thursday on financial planning for older adults and family caregivers. “Your Assets, Your Choices” will feature Kim Literovich of the Shermoen and Jaksa law firm and Rob Raplinger of Legal Aid Service’s Senior Law Project. Registration begins at 11 a.m. for the 11:30 presentation at the Big Falls Community Building. Participants are encouraged to bring a brown bag lunch. Call 283-7030 for more information.

‘MUSIC IN THE DUNGEON’

“Music in The Dungeon” will continue at 2 p.m. Sunday in The Dungeon at Backus Community Center with a concert presented by “The Four Violas” and a Christmas laser show. The public is welcome. Donations of \$10 (children \$5) accepted, with proceeds to benefit the promotion of music in the community. Elevator will be open for use. Refreshments will be served. For information, visit mrfaithslasers.com or Facebook “Faiths Dungeon”.

LIBRARY STORYTIME

Storytime at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at International Falls Public Library will feature stories about transportation and things that go. Each 20- to 30-minute storytime including stories, rhymes and song is followed by about 30 minutes of early science play and learning. All are welcome.

BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Library will conduct their monthly book sale from noon to 2 p.m. Friday at International Falls Public Library. All sales are by donation with proceeds benefiting support of library programming.

INTERNATIONAL GAMES DAY

In recognition of International Games Day, International Falls Public Library will host a game party from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday. Board games, games on the Wii and PS3 will be available. The public is welcome to bring the entire family and play an old favorite or challenge someone to an archery duel on the Wii or discover a new family tradition. A pizza lunch will be served. For all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

CALENDAR

TODAY

- Recycling curbside collection, 8 a.m., International Falls, Shorewood Drive and areas south of 11th Street and east of Highway 53; Ranier and lake district, east on Highway 11 to Almost Lindy’s.
- Boise Cascade Machinists Union Local 760 retirees, 9 a.m., Lenard’s.
- Immunizations, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Koochiching County Public Health Department.
- WIC Clinic, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Koochiching County Public Health Department.
- Walk-ercise group, 10-11 a.m., Backus Community Center gymnasium.
- Community Clothes Closet drop-offs, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Aquinas Hall.
- Littlefork Ambulance Thrift Shop open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Wednesday Study Group, 10:15 a.m., Faith United Church of Christ.
- Falls High School Class of 1962, 11:47 a.m., Margarita’s Mexican Grill.
- Falls High School Class of 1965 Girls, noon, Giovanni’s.
- Girl Guards, Sunbeams and Adventure Corps, 4:30-6 p.m., The Salvation Army.
- International Falls Public Library Board of Trustees, 4:30 p.m., library.
- Free At Last, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Forestland Annex, lower level conference room.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 5:30-8 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- Men’s Non-Violence Group, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse office.
- Members and guests Elks Lodge 1599 Wednesday Meal, 6:30 p.m., fried chicken and cheesy hash browns.
- Little Lambs (3 years to kindergarten) and King’s Kids (1-5th grades), Youth Group (6th grade-up), 6:30-7:30 p.m., Full Gospel Fellowship Church.
- Women of the Moose, 7 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Koochiching Masonic Lodge No. 270, A.F. & A.M., 7 p.m., 416 Third St.
- American Legion Post 66, 7 p.m., VFW Club.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

THURSDAY

- Community Clothes Closet open, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Aquinas Hall.
- WIC Clinic, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Koochiching County Public Health Department.
- Bone Builders, 10-11:30 a.m., Woodland Apartments.
- Littlefork Ambulance Thrift Shop open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Falls Hunger Coalition Food Shelf open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1000 Fifth St.
- Northland Art Society open, various arts, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Backus, Room 114.
- Storytime, 10:30 a.m., International Falls Public Library.

- “Your Assets, Your Choices” presentation, 11:30 a.m., Big Falls Community Building.
- Servants of Shelter Board, noon, St. Thomas Parish office.
- Newcomers Club/Circle of Friends, noon, Coffee Landing Cafe.
- Weight Watchers, 4:45-5:15 p.m. weigh-in; 5:15 meeting, Zion Lutheran Church.
- MooseRiders hot turkey, 5:30 p.m., Moose Lodge.
- Community Café, free meals served, 5:30-6 p.m., beef hot dogs with multiple toppings, pasta salad, fruit, Backus Community Center.
- Beginner’s Tae Kwon Do, 5:45 p.m., Falls Elementary School gymnasium or cafeteria.
- The Lamplighters, women’s support group for survivors of childhood sexual abuse, 6-8 p.m., Friends Against Abuse, 407 Fourth St.
- Borealis Bards, Adult Script Readings, 6:30-8 p.m., Backus Community Center, Room 205.
- St. Thomas Bingo — Bonanza, 6:45 p.m.; Bingo, 7, Aquinas Hall.
- Rainy River Area Woodworkers, 7 p.m., 4321 County Road 90 East.
- St. Paul Lutheran Church Ladies Aid, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall.
- Knights of Columbus, 7 p.m., St. Thomas Church clubrooms.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club.

FRIDAY

- Boise Cascade Insulite retirees, 8:30 a.m., Hardee’s Restaurant.
- Walk-ercise group, 10-11 a.m., Backus Community Center gymnasium.
- Falls Hunger Coalition Food Shelf open, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1000 Fifth St.
- Serenity Sisters, Women’s A.A., noon, Backus, Rational Alternatives, Room 101.
- Friends of the Library Book Sale, noon-2 p.m., International Falls Public Library.
- Flu shots, noon-4 p.m., Koochiching County Public Health Department.
- Members and guests Elks Lodge 1599 Friday Light Meal, 5:30 p.m., chili.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., Alano Club.
- For Those in Need, Addiction Recovery, 7 p.m., The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 1340 Keenan Drive.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m., Alano Club, 410 Fifth Ave.

SATURDAY

- Northland Art Society workshop, Beginner’s Clay with Jim Reid, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Backus Community Building, NAS art room 114.
- International Games Day, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., International Falls Public Library.
- Bingo, open at noon, Moose Lodge.
- Open Gym, 3-5 p.m., Backus Community Center.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 7 p.m., Alano Club.

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Sunday’s Northstar Cash
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