

The Open Carry Act 2024

A BILL

To regulate the wielding of weapons in Vindex Nation.

Be it enacted by the House of Representatives of the Republic of Vindex Nation in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. **SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the Second Revised OCA 2024.

SEC. 2. **DEFINITIONS.**

For the purpose of this Act, the term—

“Firearm” shall be defined as any gun, which will or is designed to or may expel a projectile by the action of an explosive such as gunpowder.

“Open carry items” shall be defined as firearms, baseball bats, pocket knives, switch blades, tactical knives, machetes, swords and axes.

“Private property” shall be defined as an in-game ‘area shop’ (AS) region owned by someone not on behalf of the government.

“Open carry” shall be defined as the wielding an open carry item for at least two seconds. Exemptions to open carry can be found in Section 4 of this act.

“Law Enforcement Officer” shall be defined as any government employee who is responsible for the prevention, investigation, apprehension, or detention of individuals suspected or convicted of offences against the criminal laws.

SEC. 3. **ILLEGALISATION.**

(1) Upon the passage of this act, open carry shall be an imprisonable offence.

(2) If a person consecutively and repeatedly wields an open carry item with the clear intention of inciting panic in or intimidating the public, on private property, or on government property it shall also be considered open carry and henceforth illegal, whether or not the lengths of time in which said person held an open carry item exceeded two seconds.

SEC. 4. **EXEMPTIONS.**

(1) Wielding an open carry item on private property shall not be considered open carry so long as the person either:

- (a) owns the property,
- (b) is added to the property,
- (c) has explicit permission from the property owner to wield an open carry item.

(2) However, an exception to Section 4, Part 1, is if said person is pointing a firearm at or reasonably near another person who is on another private property or in public, in a manner as to threaten or cause fear to that person.

- (3) Law Enforcement Officers are permitted to wield open carry items at all times.
- (4) Department of Defence personnel are permitted to wield open carry items only during times where martial law has been declared or on Department of Defence installations.
- (5) Operators of government installations shall be permitted to allow certain occupations to wield open carry items on that installation.
- (6) A person is permitted to wield open carry items when they are using an open carry item in self defence. This act does not attempt to define self defence, merely that the use of an open carry item in what is determined self defence does not qualify as open carry.
- (7) Further acts of Congress may permit the wielding of open carry items under certain circumstances as defined in said acts.

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