



Welcome to the Superior Court in Maricopa County! We hope you enjoy your visit. To help you navigate the Court, the following protocols have been established.

Courthouse Protocols:

1. All persons must be screened every time they enter the courthouse. The screening process will require you to remove your belt. You may be subject to search including your personal belongings. You can decrease the chance of this by limiting the number of items in your purse/briefcase as well as removing any metal from your person by either placing it into the provided container or not wearing it at all.
2. Only the main entrance and exit to the building shall be used unless there is an evacuation. The main entrance and exit is in the South Court Tower, 175 West Madison, Phoenix, Arizona.
3. No weapons are allowed in the building. This includes but is not limited to guns, knives (all sizes), knitting needles, Tasers, pepper spray, handcuff key, leathermans, lighters, belts with knives in them, etc. Do not bring these items with you. (See prohibited items)
4. No food or drinks *except* water is permitted in the courthouse or courtrooms except for the cafeteria area.
5. There is no running, skateboarding, yelling or loud talking.
6. Smoking is prohibited by law in all areas of court/government buildings. Smoking is permitted outside but please do not smoke near any entrance.
7. Leave the area better than you found it. Throw all garbage in an appropriate receptacle.

8. If you require an ADA (Americans with Disability Accommodation) inside the court building, please contact Norma Quiroz at 602-506-0094.

Courtroom Decorum

1. No eating or drinking, except water.
2. No gum chewing.
3. All cell phones shall be on mute in the courtroom.
4. Rise when the judge enters the courtroom.
5. No talking in the gallery when court is in session.
6. No photos inside the Courthouse.

Prohibited Items. The following items are prohibited in any Court facility:

ALL GUNS	Sharp Edge Tools	Misc. Weapons	Flammables	Sharp Point Tools	Tools*	Miscellaneous
Airsoft/BB Guns	Box Cutters	Baseball Bats	Bug Spray	Awls	Bolts	Chemicals
Gun Lighters	Letter Openers	Batons	Cleaners	Corkscrews	Chains (12'+)	Handcuffs/Keys
Handguns	Meat Cleavers	Bomb/Components	CO2 Canisters	Daggers	Hammers	Horseshoes
Holsters	Nail Files (6'+)	Brass Knuckles	Fireworks	Darts	Lock Picks	Laser Pointers**
Machine Guns	Razor Blades	Bullets	Flammable Propellant	Ice Picks	Nail Punch	Locks/Pad Combo
Revolvers	Scissors	Clubs	Flammable Liquids	Knitting Needles	Pry Bars	Noise Devices***
Rifles	Straight Razors	Gun Clips	Mace/OC Spray	Nails	Saws	Narcotic Syringes
Shotguns	Swords	Kubaton	Solvent Sprays	Spikes	Screw Drivers	Torch Lighters
Stun Guns	Twine Knives	Martial Arts Devices	Spray Paint	Stakes	Sockets	Poisons
Toy Guns	Ninja Pen	Sternos	Tear Gas	Thermometer Pts	Wrenches	Drug Paraphernalia
Ballistic Vests						
Illegal Narcotics						

*Full size tools not approved for County, Court or service vendor use are prohibited.

**Laser Pointers may be allowed inside court facilities for legitimate courtroom presentations but are subject to examination and approval by security staff.

***Any device designed to make noises that could be used to disrupt court proceedings. These includes, but are not limited to horns, clappers, sirens, etc.