

Winnebago County Courthouse Screening Center

With the opening of the screening center all persons entering the Courthouse will be subject to screening. Screening will be conducted during operational business hours beginning at 7:30 A.M until 4:30 P.M. In the event that a jury trial is in progress the screening center will continue to be open and all persons entering after 4:30 P.M. with the intent of attending the jury trial are subject to screening. The screening center will also be operational on those evenings that the County Board holds meetings and all those persons attending are subject to screening. All packages that are received by delivery shall be screened and departments will be notified to assist if the package does not fit through the baggage scanner. Any persons refusing to pass through screening will not be allowed entrance into the Courthouse. Listed below are some of the items that will be prohibited but this is not an all-inclusive list.

Dangerous Weapons/Unauthorized Items

The following is a list of items that people are not allowed to carry into the courthouse.

Screening staff will be authorized in their discretion to disallow items not included on this list:

- Guns, including pellet and BB guns
- Facsimile weapons
- Martial arts weapons
- Knives
- Backpacks or large bags
- Sharp kitchen utensils
- Nail punches
- Metal files
- Box cutters
- Alcohol/Food
- Gun case or holder (with or without a weapon)
- Ammunition
- Explosives
- Mace/Pepper Spray
- Brass knuckles
- Sharp-nosed pliers/Leatherman tools or similar
- Screwdrivers
- Drill bits
- Wrenches
- Kubatons/Batons
- Bicycle or Bike tools
- Skateboards
- Nails/Bolts
- Hammers
- Darts
- Any other items Screening Staff determine could be used as a weapon