

CIRCULAR



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Title	Arena Safety Conformity Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2026
Number	CIR-26-07
Effective Date	July 10, 2026
Expiration Date	July 10, 2028

The purpose of this circular is to inform members of the [Arena Safety Conformity Congressional Review Emergency Amendment Act of 2026](#), which prohibits unauthorized entry onto a stadium playing field or playing surface.

New content from the Act appears below underlined and in bold (e.g., **new**).

UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY ONTO STADIUM PLAYING FIELD OR PLAYING SURFACE

Offense/ Need to Know	No person shall at any time enter onto any portion of the playing field or playing surface of any of the following unless expressly authorized by their operators, lessees, or agents: • Robert F. Kennedy Memorial (RFK) Stadium; • Baseball Stadium (i.e., Nationals Park); • Soccer Stadium (i.e., Audi Field); • <u>Downtown Arena (i.e., Capital One Arena)</u>; or • <u>Southeast Arena (i.e., CareFirst Arena)</u>.
Definition	"Playing field" or "playing surface", as applicable, means the area encompassed by the seating facilities within the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium, the Baseball Stadium, the Soccer Stadium, the Downtown Arena, or the Southeast Arena, as such seating facilities may be arranged from time to time.
Penalty	Up to \$300 fine.
Reference	DC Official Code § 3-343.02 DC Official Code § 3-344

The emergency legislation will expire in 90 days from enactment and is expected to be superseded by additional authorizing legislation. While this circular will expire on July 10, 2028, changes made to District law as described in this circular will become permanent upon passage of the permanent bill and remain so until such time as the law is amended. Members will be notified in the event that the permanent legislation does not move forward.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffery W. Carroll".

Jeffery W. Carroll
Interim Chief of Police