

The following constitutes agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the National VA Council regarding Circular 10-90- , Use of Metal Detectors for Weapon Screening.

1. The local union will be notified in advance when management is going to implement the use of a metal detector for weapon screening.
2. Metal detectors are to be used to screen for weapons only. If they are to be used for any other purpose, the union will be notified and accorded its labor-management rights.
3. Without waving negotiating rights, the local union will be afforded an opportunity to submit information to be considered in determining the criteria and need for metal detectors (hand-held and walk-through).
4. Where the facility Director determines proper security will allow it, methods of control will be established in such a manner as to allow employees continued access through other entrances (e.g card locks, pass code or hand print security clearance device).
5. Officers responsible for their use will receive adequate training on new technology i.e. hand held or walk through metal detectors.
6. Any new duties assigned to employees will be reviewed to determine if they should be included in their position description and what, if any, effect they have on the employee's assigned title, series and grade.
7. Delete "and the fulfillment of labor relations responsibilities" in 4j. New 4K would be "Facilities will meet their labor relations responsibilities at the local level."


For Management


For the N.V.A.C.


Date