

**244.190 Seizure of contraband -- Destruction upon conviction of defendant.**

Any peace officers, state administrators, and field representatives of the department may, upon probable cause, without warrant seize contraband regardless of whether it is in dry territory or not, and hold it subject to the order of the court before which the owner or one in possession of the contraband has been charged with violation of KRS Chapter 242 or KRS 243.020. Upon conviction of the defendant, the court shall enter an order for the destruction of all contraband property, except firearms or ammunition, included in KRS 244.180(1), (2), (3), (4), and (5). Contraband firearms and ammunition shall be transferred to the Department of Kentucky State Police for disposition as provided in KRS 500.090.

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