

Walmart pulls guns from sales floors, citing civil unrest



File photo shows firearms on display at a Walmart store. (Photo: Internet)

New York, October 30 (RHC)-- Walmart plans to remove guns and ammunition from its sales floors in the United States following unrest in Philadelphia this week, according to a spokesperson for the retail giant.

Walmart will reportedly continue to sell the items to consumers who request them, but will pull them from displays. Guns and ammunition are sold at about half of U.S. stores, primarily in locations where hunting is popular, a company spokeswoman said.

"We have seen some isolated civil unrest and as we have done on several occasions over the last few years, we have moved our firearms and ammunition off the sales floor as a precaution for the safety of our associates and customers," a Walmart spokeswoman said. "These items do remain available for purchase by customers."

The move comes after Philadelphia announced a nighttime curfew earlier this week following two nights of unrest over the police killing of Walter Wallace, who became the latest Black person to die at the hands of law enforcement.

Earlier killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and other African-Americans have spawned mass protests throughout the United States this year.

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