



DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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AR-15 Patrol Rifle Deployment (Updates DB 17-019)

The purpose of this bulletin is to set forth deployment procedures for the AR-15 Patrol Rifle.

The San Francisco Police Department offers a [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] for patrol deployment.

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- [REDACTED]

WHO MAY USE THE PATROL RIFLE

Only officers trained through the POST certified SFPD Patrol Rifle Course, and successfully qualified with the patrol rifle bi-annually, may deploy with a department issued patrol rifle. Also, officers who have successfully completed POST approved Patrol Rifle outside training, and successfully qualified with the patrol rifle, may deploy with a department issued patrol rifle. Officers who receive their POST approved Patrol Rifle Operator certification from outside the department shall submit a written request to deploy with a department issued patrol rifle, provide a copy of the POST certificate, and attend a patrol rifle qualification to demonstrate proficiency and pass a written test to ensure compliance with SFPD deployment procedures.

TRAINING, QUALIFICATION AND EQUIPMENT

Members trained in the use of the patrol rifle, shall qualify twice a year during their same month of pistol qualification.

Qualifications and training records will be maintained at the [REDACTED].

Patrol rifles, ammunition and accessories shall be SFPD department-issued only. Adjustments to the sights and weapon light are prohibited. If the accuracy of the weapon is in question, the rifle shall be taken out of service until the accuracy can be confirmed by range staff.

USE OF THE PATROL RIFLE

The Patrol Rifle shall be used as set forth in DGO 5.01.

When not in actual use, the Patrol Rifle shall be carried with safety mechanism on, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Patrol rifles should not be stored in unsecured trunks of vehicles and left unattended. Specialized units without long gun racks in their vehicles should have [REDACTED] another type of secondary security measure for proper security of an unattended rifle.

Any round of rifle ammunition which was chambered and not discharged shall be set aside in a receptacle in the station armory marked "RIFLE AMMUNITION FOR RETURN TO THE RANGE."

William Scott

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Per DN 20-150, all sworn & non-sworn members shall electronically acknowledge this Department document in PowerDMS. Members whose duties are relevant to this document shall be held responsible for compliance. Any questions regarding this policy should be made to sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org who will provide additional information.