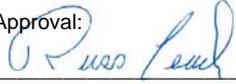


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3.23 **SWORN PERSONNEL - EQUIPMENT:**

A. **POLICY:**

The following issued or optional equipment is authorized for use by sworn personnel. Any additional optional items will be subject to approval by the Chief of Police. Unless otherwise specified by this Policy, optional equipment will not be issued or paid for by the Department but may be acquired at the officers' own expense.

B. **HELMET:**

1. **General Duty:** Black Kevlar Ballistic, with attached face shield.
2. **Motorcycle:** Black high crown with white backing.

C. **IMPACT WEAPONS:**

The Mid-Range Baton shall be part of the regular equipment of an officer and shall be furnished by the Department. The Expandable Baton and Ten Inch Baton are authorized optional items and may be carried in lieu of the Department issue baton; however, uniformed officers must have a Mid-Range Baton readily available when in the field. The following impact weapons are authorized for sworn personnel after appropriate certification by an authorized Department defensive tactics instructor.

1. **Mid-Range Baton:**

This item shall be solid hard wood, composite hard wood known as Diamond Wood or anodized aluminum. This baton is 26 or 29 inches in length, black in color with smooth surface.

2. **Expandable Baton:**

This optional item must be the 21 inch, 29 inch or 31 inch baton. Either black or silver anodized aluminum with a black foam or rubber grip.

3. **Ten Inch Baton:**

This optional item must be constructed of either hard wood or hard plastic, 10 inches in length, black with a smooth finish.

4. **Long Baton:**

This baton shall be 42 inches in length and constructed with hard wood only. This baton must be black or blond in color with a smooth surface. This baton shall be for Mobile Field Force only, and used only during Mobile Field Force deployment.

D. CHEMICAL AGENT:

Departmental issued aerosol Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) agent.

E. FIREARM:

Glock, .40 caliber Models 22, or 23, and for Special Operations Division personnel only the Springfield .45 caliber, semi-automatic handgun, with magazines, or personally owned handgun subject to Department approval.

F. HANDCUFFS:

Silver or black single hinge ratchet type with chain or hinged crosspiece.

G. FACILITY KEY AND ACCESS CARD:

Departmental issued key and access card for access to Department facilities.

H. “RIPP” HOBBLE:

A restraining device made of one-inch wide polypropylene webbed belting with a tested strength of 700 pounds, equipped with a one-inch wide steel, alligator-jawed, friction-locking clip and bronze swivel.

I. FLEX-CUFFS:

Disposable reinforced plastic restraining device used to temporarily restrain subjects in custody.

J. KNIFE:

Folding blade type not to exceed 3-3/4 inches blade length with an overall length of 9 inches in the open position. This item is optional.

K. LEATHER GEAR:

1. **Belt:** The holster duty belt may be either Velcro or leather black basket weave Sam or Sally Browne. The leather belt will have a gold buckle. The belts will have Velcro keepers or hidden snaps.
2. **Holster:** Black basket weave high-rise type for 40 caliber weapon.
Officers may purchase compatible holsters as an option after approval of the holster by the Firearms Training Coordinator.
3. **Magazine Pouch:** Black basket weave double magazine with hidden snap or Velcro closures.
4. **Handcuff Case:** One or two black basket weave single or a double handcuff case, with hidden snap or Velcro closure.
5. **Knife Case:** Black basket weave with hidden snaps or Velcro closures (single magazine pouch).
6. **Chemical Agent Holder:** Black basket weave slide-in holder.
7. **Baton Ring:** Black basket weave leather tong with black baton ring.

8. **Hand Radio Holders:** This optional item will be of black basket weave or smooth leather with a top strap securing the unit in place.
9. **Key Holders:** This optional item will be of black basket weave leather and hold keys securely.
10. **Tape Recorder Holders:** This optional item will be of black basket weave leather.
11. **Flashlight Holder:** This optional item will be of black basket weave leather.

Any additional optional items will be subject to approval by the Chief of Police.

L. NYLON SAM BROWNE SYSTEMS:

1. All officers are authorized to wear black nylon web gear, as optional equipment, with all authorized uniforms. The Department will purchase the nylon web gear only for officers assigned to specialized units. All other officers may purchase the nylon web gear at their own expense. The Department has the authority to determine what is considered a specialized unit for purposes of purchasing the nylon web gear.
2. The nylon web gear authorized for duty use is the Bianchi AccuMold series. It may be purchased at police equipment vendors.
3. Nylon Sam Browne System description:
 - a. **Sam Browne:** Approximately 2-1/4" wide, black, soft, woven nylon. Approximately 2-1/4" heavy duty, black plastic quick release buckle.
 - b. **Inner Belt:** Black, soft nylon of a design approved by the officer's Division Commander.
 - c. **Holster:** Black, soft, woven nylon of a design approved by the Firearms Training Coordinator.
 - d. **Magazine pouch:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of holding two magazines.
 - e. **Handcuff case:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of holding standard linked handcuffs.
 - f. **Keeper:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of attaching Sam Browne to Inner Belt.
 - g. **Chemical Agent Holder:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of holding standard 3oz. canister of OC Spray.
 - h. **Baton Ring:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of holding a mid-range baton.
 - i. **HT Holder:** Black, soft, woven nylon capable of holding standard police HT.
 - j. **Tape Recorder Holder:** This optional item will be of black, soft woven nylon.
 - k. **Flashlight Holder:** This optional item will be of black, soft woven nylon.

4. In order to be prepared for any planned or unplanned event requiring the use of leather gear, officers will be expected to maintain their Department issued leather gear in their workplace. In addition, officers are required to maintain their assigned leather gear in a professional and presentable manner.

M. BALLISTIC VEST:

The ballistic vest shall be of a type affording extended coverage at Threat Level IIA.