

DEPARTMENT BULLETIN

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Secondary Handgun Protocol

An on-duty officer may carry a **concealed** secondary firearm in addition to his/her primary Department issued firearm with approval from the officer's Deputy Chief and the Rangemaster.

Officers shall submit a memorandum to their respective Deputy Chief stating their intention to carry the handgun, the handgun's make, model, caliber, barrel length and serial number. The secondary handgun must either be a centerfire double action revolver or a semi-automatic pistol equipped with a first round double-action trigger or a safe-action trigger system of approximately 5.5 lbs or greater. The firearm **shall not be altered or modified** from the manufacturer's specifications. The secondary firearm caliber must be between .25 inches (.25 ACP) to .45 inches (.45 ACP). Single-action revolvers, single-action semi-automatic pistols, rimfire firearms and Derringers of any caliber are **PROHIBITED**. No reloaded ammunition shall be used.

Before carrying the secondary handgun, the officer will present the approved memorandum during his/her scheduled firearms qualification. Officers will be required to demonstrate:

Mechanical functioning: Working knowledge of the firearm;

Manipulations: Safely operate the firearm, loading the firearm, re-loading the firearm, and un-loading the firearm; the manner in which they intend to carry the firearm while on duty and

Proficiency: Qualification course of 36 rounds—requiring 75% to pass (27 hits).

Officers must demonstrate proficiency annually during scheduled handgun practice times or between scheduled pistol qualifications times.

Per DB 15-141, sworn members are required to electronically acknowledge this Department Bulletin in HRMS.

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