



BRAINTREE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Policy and Procedure

DEPARTMENT ISSUED WEAPONS AND LESS LETHAL EQUIPMENT

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Chief Timothy Cohoon

Certification Standards: **1.1.0, 1.1.4, 1.1.9 a-f, 1.1.10, 1.1.11**

Accreditation Standards:

Optional Accreditation Standards:

Policy

1.2.2

1.3.9 a, b

Agency personnel, in the performance of their responsibilities while on or off-duty, may use only weapons and ammunition, issued and authorized by the Chief of Police, for the protection of themselves, others and to affect an arrest. **[1.1.9 a]** This includes members of tactical teams or other specialized personnel, while fulfilling their law enforcement responsibilities. **[1.1.9 b]** Agency personnel must demonstrate proficiency in the use of department authorized weapons prior to carrying them. **[1.1.10]** This by authority granted to him under MGL c.41 s. 98 and the duties and responsibility authorized by the Mayor. **[1.1.10]**

Sworn Officer Issued

Less Lethal

1.1.9

1.1.4

Full-time Officers

- ASP expandable Friction Lock Baton, not to exceed 26".
- Dedicated less lethal beanbag shotgun:
 - o Remington model 870, 12-gauge shotgun, 18.5-inch barrel, or
 - o Mossberg 590A1, 12-gauge shotgun, 14-inch barrel, with Sig Sauer Romeo 4T optic.
- AMTEC Less Lethal Systems ALS1212T Triton 12 gauge, 40 gram, drag stabilized Bean Bag round.
- Sabre Red Organic Oleoresin Capsicum Spray, 10% concentration, (commonly known as pepper spray). Non-flammable / Electronic Immobilization Device Compatible only.
- Taser X2 Electronic Control Weapon with Taser X2 Smart Cartridges.

Special Officers

- ASP (or equivalent) expandable Friction Lock Baton, not to exceed 26".
- Sabre Red Organic Oleoresin Capsicum Spray, 10% concentration, (commonly known as pepper spray). Non-flammable / Electronic Immobilization Device Compatible only.

Sworn Officer Issued Lethal Weapons and ammunition 1.1.9 a, b

Full-time Officers

- Sig Sauer, model P320 RXP Carry 9MM striker fire pistol (7.2" overall length, 3.9-inch barrel, color black, with Sig Sauer Romeo 2 PMO and with or without a Nightstick TCM-550 XL).
- Speer, LE Gold Dot, 9MM, 147 grain hollow point.
- Mossberg, model 590A1, 12-gauge shotgun, 14-inch barrel.
- Federal, Premium Tactical, 12 gauge, 2 3/4" 1-ounce Truball rifled shotgun slug.
- Patrol Rifle: Windham, model WW15, 5.56/.223 caliber, M4A4 flat top rifle (11.5-inch barrel, 33-inch overall length), Bushmaster, model XM15, 5.56/.223 caliber M4 patrol rifle (11.5-inch barrel, 33-inch overall length), Colt, model M4 Carbine, 5.56/.223 caliber, patrol rifle (11.5-inch barrel, 33-inch overall length). All rifles will be equipped with an EOTech XPS2, Romeo 4T or Aimpoint T1 optic and Streamlight RM-1, Surefire X-300 or Inforce WML rail mounted flashlight.
- Federal, Premium, .223 caliber, 62 grain, bonded SP Tactical rifle round.

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- Speer, LE Gold Dot, 9MM, 147 grain hollow point.

Specialized Personnel Issued Weapons and Ammunition 1.1.9 b

Chief of Police, Drug Control Unit Detectives, Task Force Officers, FSU Officers, and Department Firearms Instructors

- Sig Sauer, P365 X-Macro TacOps, 9MM semi-automatic pistol (3.7-inch barrel, with Holosun EPS Carry PMO with or without a Streamlight TLR-7 Sub).
- Speer, LE Gold Dot, 9MM, 147 grain hollow point pistol round.

Maintenance and Inspection of Weapons
1.1.9 c-e

A qualified Firearms Instructor or Armorer shall review, inspect, and approve all weapons prior to their being carried by a department member, and when they are returned to the armory. All inspections will be documented for compliance purposes. **[1.1.9 c]**

All issued weapons will be signed for by the receiving Officer on a **Department Inventory Form**. This form will be signed by the issuing Officer (a Department Armorer or Firearms Instructor) and shall also include the date of issue, make, model, description, and serial number of the firearm issued. Compliance documentation shall be kept by the Department Armorer and Training Supervisor. Hard copies of all compliance documentation will be stored in the Professional Standards Lieutenant's office. **[1.1.9 e]**

A weapon that malfunctions or fails an inspection due to a mechanical defect will be returned to a Department Armorer as soon as practical. **[1.1.9 d]** Officers are responsible for the proper care and maintenance of all issued weapons and ammunition, including keeping issued firearms clean, lubricated and in good working order at all times.

No Officer shall alter or modify any Department issued firearm, impact weapon, aerosol control spray, chemical munitions or ammunition without the express permission of the Chief of Police.

Watch Commanders or Unit Commanders shall be responsible for conducting quarterly firearms inspections, including inspections of less lethal equipment. Inspections will be done as part of roll call prior to the Officer proceeding to his assigned duties.

Weapons are only to be inspected at locations within the station where the safety of others will not be jeopardized. All personnel must use the designated bullet traps for making guns safe for inspection unless the inspection is conducted in an approved firearms range.

Firearms Storage
1.1.9 f

Department members shall ensure the safe and proper storage of their department issued firearms. Unsecured firearms shall not be left unattended. **[1.1.9 f]**

Carrying Identification, Badge.

Officers or employees, who carry a Department issued firearm, when on duty, shall carry a valid Department Identification Card, Badge. The Chief may authorize Officers not to carry these items when it is impractical or dangerous to do so.

Carrying Off-Duty Firearm
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Any firearm that an Officer routinely carries on his/her person while off-duty, for protection, or to enable him/her to take action as an Officer, excluding the Officer's issued service firearm, will be considered an Off-Duty Firearm and shall not be carried while on duty.

Any Officer, who desires to carry an Off-Duty Firearm to enable

him/her to take an action as an officer, shall first submit a **Braintree Off-Duty Firearm Request Form** detailing a complete description of the firearm and ammunition to the Training Supervisor. The request will be reviewed with the Department Armorer, the Officer will qualify at the range, and the form and qualification record will be forwarded to the Chief of Police for approval. **[1.1.9e]**

Once an Off-Duty Firearm is approved, the use of that Off-Duty Firearm is governed by the Department's **Use of Force Policy** and the Officer is subject to annual qualification with said firearm. **[1.1.10]**
[1.1.11] Only Department-approved ammunition may be carried in authorized Off-Duty Firearms. No approved Off-Duty Firearm can be modified in any manner unless approved by the Chief of Police upon recommendation of the Department Armorer.

This policy shall not prohibit an Officer from carrying any other Off-Duty Firearm that he/she wishes in conjunction with his/her license to carry firearms. Officers should be aware that failure to seek approval of an Off-Duty Firearm may result in the failure of the department to indemnify that Officer in an action resulting from its use for Law Enforcement purposes.



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OFF DUTY WEAPON AND AMMUNITION FORM

Date of Issue: _____	Issuing Authority: _____
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Certification Standards: **1.3.9 a,b; 1.3.10; 1.3.11**
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 Optional Accreditation Standards: _____

Officer's Information

Name: _____ Id/Badge #: _____ D.O.B.: _____

LTC #: _____ Issuing City/Town: _____ Issue Date: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Class: A B

Firearm/Information

Make: _____ Model: _____ Caliber: _____

Barrel Length: _____ Semi-Automatic/Revolver: _____

Serial Number: _____ Magazine Capacity: _____

Holster Style #: _____ Holster Make: _____

Ammunition Type: _____ Qualification pass____ fail____
 Inspection pass____ fail____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Do not write below line)

 Firearms Supervisor
 Approve/Not Approved

 Department Armorer
 Approve/Not Approved

 Chief of Police Approve/Not Approved

