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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this General Order is to ensure all LCC PD officers have demonstrated proficiency in the use of all weapons authorized by the Department prior to carrying and using the weapons.

FIREARMS:

All LCC PD officers must qualify with any firearm to be carried and used both onduty and off-duty. The firearms qualification standards for used by LCC PD are those established by MCOLES.

Officers must also demonstrate knowledge of laws and Department General Orders regarding the use of authorized weapons, the proper response to resistance and aggression, the MCOLES Subject Control Continuum, and safe handling procedures for these weapons.

All instruction on the use of authorized firearms will be conducted by certified weapons instructors. Documentation of instruction and achievement of qualification will be maintained by the Command Officer in charge of Department training.

NON-LETHAL WEAPONS:

All LCC PD officers must demonstrate proficiency in the use of all authorized non-lethal weapons, such as pepper spray and the Taser®, in accordance with training and proficiency guidelines provided by the manufacturers and as contained in these General Orders.

Officers must also demonstrate knowledge of laws and Department General Orders regarding the use of authorized non-lethal weapons, the proper response to resistance and aggression, the MCOLES Subject Control Continuum, and safe handling procedures for these weapons.

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FAILURE TO QUALIFY:

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Any officer failing to qualify with any lethal or non-lethal weapon issued by the Department (or a personally owned firearm authorized for off-duty carry) will be required to undergo retraining until proficiency is obtained. If, in the opinion of the instructor, an officer cannot reach proficiency after a reasonable amount of retraining, the instructor shall notify the Chief of Police. Any Department instructor has the authority to act on behalf of the Chief of Police and revoke an officer's authorization to carry and use any weapon for which proficiency can not be obtained. The Chief of Police may place an officer on paid Administrative Leave until a determination can be made as to that officer's continued employment with the Department.

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