



MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

466 – PATROL RIFLE

GENERAL ORDER: 2022-XX
ISSUED: July 11, 2022

EFFECTIVE: July 11, 2022

REVIEWED/APPROVED BY:
Assistant Chief Steven Johnson
DATE: June 14, 2022

ACTION: Amends General Order 2020-07 (March 6, 2020)

WILEAG STANDARD(S): 5.2.1, 5.3.1, 12.1.1, 12.1.2, 12.1.3

ROLL CALL VERSION

Contains only changes to current policy.
For complete version of SOP, see SharePoint.

466.10 MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITIES (WILEAG 5.2.1, 5.3.1, 12.1.2, 12.1.3)

A. Only police members that have completed the department's patrol rifle certification training program, ~~or a patrol rifle training program approved by the training director and the range master,~~ shall be authorized to carry and deploy the patrol rifle. Members not officially trained in the patrol rifle may operate the rifle in emergency circumstances (e.g., rifle operator is injured or unable to use the rifle) to prevent the imminent threat of death or great bodily harm to themselves or others. Members are required to complete recertification on an annual basis.

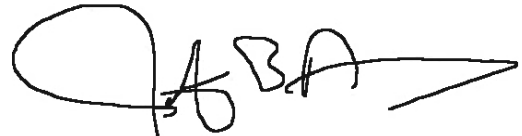
F. The patrol rifle shall be secured in the rifle rack of the member's vehicle when not in use. If the member's vehicle does not have a rifle rack, the patrol rifle shall only be removed from its case when a member anticipates its use, when it is being inspected, conducting a pre-shift safety check in a safe area, or it is being taken out of service. The member shall ensure the patrol rifle and rifle case remain together after the patrol rifle is signed out. If the member secures the patrol rifle in the rifle rack, the member shall secure the rifle case in the [REDACTED]

Note: Members assigned to Federal Task Force partnerships may have alternative storage options, which must be approved by the member's commanding officer and the range master.

G. While on patrol, the rifle shall be kept with the safety on and the dust cover closed in a squad-ready status with an empty chamber and a loaded magazine inserted in the magazine well. The rifle shall be kept in a case [REDACTED] or in the vehicle's rifle rack if it is so equipped. It shall have two or three magazines loaded with 25 rounds each.

H. When the member makes the determination that the patrol rifle will be deployed, the member shall retrieve the patrol rifle from the rifle rack or go to the [REDACTED] open the rifle case, and charge the weapon bringing the rifle to call-ready. The member shall then activate the Aimpoint PRO, or flip up the rear sight and utilize the iron sights.

- I. The patrol rifle shall remain with the safety on until the decision has been made to use deadly force by the member.
- J. If the patrol rifle is to be discharged, the member shall determine which sighting device to use.
- K. If the weapon is discharged, whether intentionally or unintentionally, the member shall notify a supervisor immediately. If a person is struck, emergency medical care must be provided and EMS should be called for through the dispatcher. The responding supervisor shall notify the shift commander of the incident, conduct an administrative review of the incident, and file a *Use of Force Report* in accordance with SOP 460 Use of Force.
(WILEAG 5.3.1.1)

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CHIEF OF POLICE

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