



MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

340 – UNIFORMS / EQUIPMENT / APPEARANCE

GENERAL ORDER: 2025-47
ISSUED: October 27, 2025

EFFECTIVE: October 27, 2025

REVIEWED/APPROVED BY:
Assistant Chief Craig Sarnow
DATE: September 15, 2025

ACTION: Amends General Order 2025-10 (February 17, 2025)

WILEAG STANDARD(S): 1.2.3, 2.4.4, 2.8.1,
6.1.7, 6.2.9, 12.1.1, 12.1.2, 12.1.3, 12.1.4

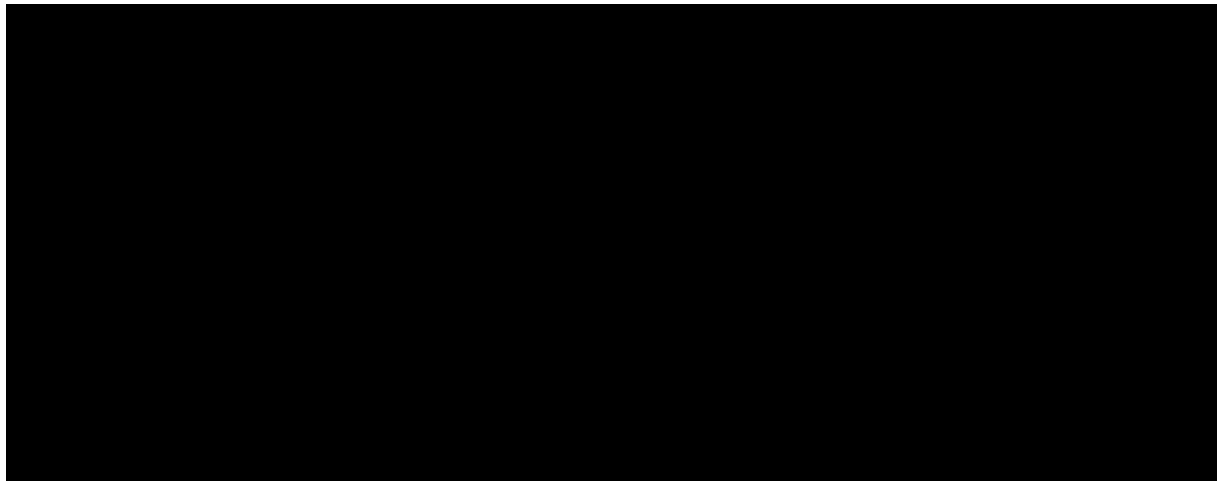
ROLL CALL VERSION

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

340.50 DEPARTMENT AND PERSONAL DUTY EQUIPMENT (WILEAG 6.1.7, 6.2.9, 12.1.1, 12.1.2, 12.1.3, 12.1.4)

J. HANDGUNS / ON – DUTY

4. Department authorized and issued firearms and ammunition include:



K. MINIATURIZED RED DOT SIGHTS (MRDS)

1. The Firearms Section recognizes there are significant advantages to fielding miniaturized red dot sight (MRDS) equipped pistols which can be beneficial to Milwaukee Police Department members.
2. No department member shall carry a MRDS equipped firearm on or off duty until after successfully completing the Milwaukee Police Department Firearms Section's or Tactical Enforcement Unit's MRDS Transition Training course.
3. Members may only carry a MRDS equipped firearm in a holster approved by the range master. The range master shall establish written protocols for members to carry an MRDS equipped firearm either on or off duty to include:

- a. Training required to carry a MRDS equipped firearm;
- b. Approved MRDS equipped firearms and holsters;
- c. Required associated equipment for MRDS equipped firearms;
- d. Required inspection and ongoing maintenance requirements; and
- e Off-duty carry requirements.

LK. HANDGUNS / OFF – DUTY

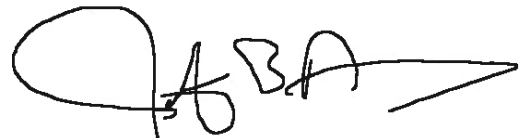
ML. LESS THAN LETHAL WEAPONS

NM. BODY ARMOR

6. ~~Police members may wear privately owned body armor that meets department specifications, upon approval by both the quartermaster and the range master, or another designee of the commanding officer of the Training Division.~~ Police members may elect to make a personal purchase upgrade of approved soft body armor. All armor must meet the existing current National Institute of Justice (NIJ) standards. The department will continue to pay the contract price of the current level IIIA armor. The member will be responsible for the remaining balance of any upgraded soft body armor selection. All soft body armor expires after five years from the date of issuance. All soft body armor remains property of the department and shall be returned to the quartermaster at expiration.

ON. BUSINESS CARDS

PO. DEPARTMENT ISSUED KEYS



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