



BRAINTREE POLICE DEPARTMENT
Policy and Procedure
DEPARTMENT ISSUED FIREARMS AND LESS
LETHAL EQUIPMENT

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Accreditation Standards:

Optional Accreditation Standards:

Policy
1.2.2
1.3.9b

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. Review policy **Use of Force**. This includes members of tactical teams or other specialized personnel, while fulfilling their law enforcement responsibilities. **[1.3.9b]** This by authority granted to him under MGL c.41 s. 98 and the duties and responsibility authorized by the Mayor. **[1.2.2]**

Sworn Officer
Issued
Less Lethal
1.3.4

ASP expandable Friction Lock Baton, not to exceed 26".

Remington model 870 12 gauge shotgun (dedicated less lethal beanbag shotgun).

AMTECL Less Lethal ALS1212T Triton 12 gauge, 40 gram, drag stabilized Bean Bag munition.

Sabre Red Organic Oleoresin Capsicum Spray, 10% concentration, (commonly known as pepper spray). Non-flammable / Electronic Immobilization Device Compatible only.

**Sworn
Officers
Issued
Lethal
Weapons
and
ammunitions
1.3.9 a b**

Sig Sauer model P320 .45 caliber pistol or pistol with a flashlight.

Speer LE Gold Dot .45 165 grain GDHP.

Mossberg model 590 12 gauge shotgun.

Federal Premium Tactical 12 gauge 2 ¾" 1 ounce Truball Rifled Slug.

Windham model WW15 .556/.223 caliber Patrol Rifle with Red Dot sight and flashlight.

Federal Premium .223 caliber 62 grain bonded SP Tactical.

Bushmaster model XM15 .556/.223 caliber Patrol Rifle with fixed sight and flashlight.

Federal Premium .223 caliber 62 grain bonded SP Tactical.

**Specialized
Personnel
Issued
Weapons
and
Ammunition
1.3.9 b**

Chief of Police, Drug Unit Officers, Task Force Officers such as DEA, FBI, or ATF, and Department Firearms Instructors (Chief approved prior to issue).

Ruger LCR model 5401 .38+P caliber pistol.

Speer LE Gold Dot .38 Special+P 135 grain GDHP.

Tactical Team SRT

Colt model M4 Carbine .556/.223 caliber patrol rifle with Red Dot sight and flashlight.

Federal Premium .223 caliber 62 grain bonded SP Tactical.

**Maintenance
and
Inspection of
Weapons
1.3.9 c-e**

A qualified Firearms Instructor or Armorer will 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. **[1.3.9 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. A hard copy will be secured by the Department Armorer and a computerized copy secured by the Training Supervisor. **[1.3.9 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. **[1.3.9 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 monthly firearms inspections. 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. See Policy: **Monthly Weapons Inspection Policy**.

**Firearms
Storage
1.3.9 f**

Department members shall ensure the safe and proper storage of their department issued firearms. Unsecured firearms shall not be left unattended. **[1.3.9 f]** Review policy: **Use of Force**.

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. See Policy: **Use of Force**.

Carrying Off-Duty Firearm
1.3.9e
1.3.10
1.3.11

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. Off-Duty Firearms shall not be carried while on duty.

Any Officer, who desires to carry an Off-Duty Firearm to enable him 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. **[1.3.9e]** 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. **[1.3.10]** **[1.3.11]** 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

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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