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SUBJECT: FIREARMS REGULATIONS

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I. PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines governing firearms issued to Departmental personnel; to establish rules for carrying firearms on and off duty; to provide criteria for the training of personnel with department issued firearms.

II. SCOPE:

This policy shall apply to all authorized firearms and ammunition carried by Department personnel on or off duty and shall govern the training procedures.

III. AUTHORIZED HANDGUNS AND AMMUNITION:

- A. Approved weapons for on duty personnel will be a Glock 45 caliber handgun, model 21 or 30.
- B. Any other handguns must have prior approval of the Sheriff.
- C. All firearms issued to Deputies shall be recorded by the Evidence Custodian

IV. Carrying of Firearm and Ammunition While Off Duty:

- A. Off-Duty Deputies are encouraged to carry a weapon. Off-Duty personnel who wish to carry a firearm outside of Georgia, should know the law of the state they will be going to concerning carrying of firearms and ammunition.

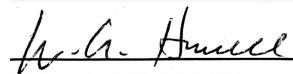
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- B. This regulation does not apply to officers traveling to and from work but is limited to those Deputies that are completely removed from the work environment.
 - C. All Deputies must be certified by a P.O.S.T. certified instructor for each weapon they carry while on duty.
- V. Discharge of Firearm - Written Report:
- A. A Deputy who discharges a firearm, either accidentally or on purpose, other than in training, recreational purposes or putting down an injured animal, must report to his immediate supervisor before the end of their shift. The supervisor will make a determination if a written Incident report will be required.
 - B. If it is determined that the Deputy was negligent in firing the weapon, disciplinary action may be taken and the Deputy may be required to undergo firearms training at the discretion of the Sheriff or Chief Deputy.



W. A. HARRELL
SHERIFF

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