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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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SUBJECT: PISTOL RANGE  
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I. PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for the training and qualifying of Deputies with their approved duty weapons.

II. SCOPE:

This policy will apply to all sworn employees and to their approved firearm.

III. POLICY:

- A. All sworn Deputies of this Department will qualify twice each year with the authorized firearm they carry on duty.
- B. Deputies are encouraged to practice shooting with their duty weapon on a regular basis in order to become proficient with it. The firearm is the primary weapon used in a deadly force situation and it is to the Deputies benefit to be confident in the use of it.

IV. RANGE OPERATION:

The range will be open on a as needed basis to Department Personnel only. All personnel must remember that the 911 Center must be notified when the range will be in use and then again when training is completed. The firearms Officer or Instructor will be in charge of the operation of the pistol range. He/she will have **TOTAL** authority while on the range. Anyone violating the rules and regulations or the instructions of the range will be ejected and will face disciplinary action.

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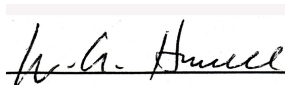
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- A. Any officer carrying a weapon that shoots other than 45 caliber ammunition, will be required to furnish their own ammunition. This also includes qualification.
  - B. Deputies must qualify on the silhouette target with a qualifying score of 80 % or better.
- V. QUALIFICATION:
- A. The date and time for qualifying on the range will be posted on the bulletin board.
  - B. If the Deputy fails to qualify during the qualifying session, he/she will report to the range within thirty days. If they fail to qualify at that time, they must turn in their firearm until they can qualify.
- VI. RANGE RESULTS:
- A. Range scores will be forwarded to the Deputies supervisor for use on evaluation.
  - B. If a Deputy fails to qualify during the first two (2) months, he/she will be reassigned to other duties as needed.
  - C. If a Deputy fails to qualify by his/her next anniversary date, they may be dismissed from the Department.

  
W. A. HARRELL  
SHERIFF

2/3/2006

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