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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES

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SUBJECT: FIREARMS INSPECTIONS- PISTOLS, SUB-GUNS, RIFLES

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FIREARMS INSPECTIONS-

EFFECTIVE DATE: 2/3/2006

I. PURPOSE:

To provide guidelines for personnel for weapon(s) inspection.

II SCOPE:

This policy will apply to all sworn deputies and to their approved firearm(s)

III. POLICY:

All sworn deputies of this department will have weapon(s) in ready condition. To survive a lethal confrontation deputies must possess a weapon capable of maximum performance when needed.

A. General information:

Weapons carried in the line of duty are subjected to adverse conditions. Maintaining weapon readiness is crucial to your survival. All weapons must undergo regular cleaning to ensure their readiness. Your life depends on your weapon functioning properly in a combat situation.

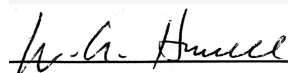
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- B. Special Instructions:
The vast majority of weapon malfunctions can be attributed to poorly cleaned and lubricated parts of the weapon. Simply cleaning your weapon is all you need to do in most cases of malfunctions. Do not break down your weapon if you are not familiar with its assembly.
- C. Inspection of weapon(s):
Shift supervisors shall inspect weapons for readiness on a regular basis. Deputies having problems with weapon readiness should be instructed on weapon cleaning and if needed, be scheduled for consult with the firearms instructor. Bi-annual inspection of weapons will be performed at firearms qualification by the firearms instructor.


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