JOPLIN POLICE DEPARTMENT	7-03 STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINE
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I. POLICY (1.2.2)

An officer's firearm is perhaps the most commonly perceived symbol of his or her authority and role. In fact, every contact with a citizen is an armed encounter because the officer always carries a loaded firearm. In the interest of public safety, the department sets high standards of performance for its personnel who use weapons. The department's policy ensures that members are properly trained not only in the use of appropriate firearms and the circumstances of their use, but also in their safety and maintenance, regarding both on- and off-duty weapons. Supervisors and the department Rangemaster shall rigorously enforce departmental firearms standards.

All sworn personnel shall qualify annually with his or her approved firearms. Firearms qualifications shall be fired on an approved range under the supervision of a certified firearms instructor. Firearms qualification is a combination of skill and discretion: when to shoot is perhaps a more important question than how to shoot. Officers shall review the Use of Force policy frequently. (1.3.11 A)

II. PURPOSE

To establish policy and procedures governing the care and maintenance of issued weapons, the selection and use of holsters, off-duty weapons, firearms training, and qualification.

III. DEFINITIONS

A. Rangemaster

A supervisor who acts as the lead range officer and administers the department's firearms training program, qualifying all individuals with department approved firearms, repairing and maintaining department firearms, and performing a variety of other technical tasks relative to the assignment. The Rangemaster shall be a a certified weapons instructor. The Rangemaster reports to the Training Sergeant, who has oversight of departmental training, including departmental firearms training and operations. (1.3.11 A)

B. Range Officer

Also known as the firearms instructor, the range officer is an aide to the Rangemaster. The range Officer's main responsibility is to administer the departments' firearms training program. The range officer is a certified weapons instructor. Refer to 3-05 Specialized Assignments, Firearms Range Officer for requirements and duties. (1.3.11 A)

IV. PROCEDURES

A. Issuance and carrying of weapons

1. The rangemaster or firearms instructor, if appropriate, shall issue departmental weapons to authorized personnel.

2. Departmental firearms, which become unserviceable or are no longer needed shall be returned to the rangemaster.

3. All officers, while on duty, shall carry a department issued firearm that they have qualified with at the range. Plainclothes officers shall carry their primary firearm in an approved holster. Uniformed officers shall carry their primary firearm in an approved holster attached to the police utility belt. (1.2.2)

4. As authorized in H.R.218: The law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, qualified officers are permitted to carry concealed weapons nationwide, within certain guidelines:

    i. This authority does not supersede or limit the laws of any state that permit persons or entities to prohibit or restrict the possession of concealed firearms on their property; or

    ii. Prohibit or restrict the possession of firearms on any state or local government property, installation, building, base, school, or park.

    iii. Officers must carry photographic identification issued by the Joplin Police Department.

    iv. Officers may carry either the department issued weapon or their back-up weapon with which they have met the same qualification standard as their duty weapon.

5. Under the same authorization granted by H.R.218 for active-duty officers, retired officers having an aggregate of 10 years or more, and in good standing, or retired from the Joplin Police Department due to a service-connected disability, may continue to carry a concealed firearm under the same guidelines covered for active duty officers. These officers must continue to qualify at a minimum of one time per year during normal qualification sessions, at their own expense, or provide written documentation upon request of the Rangemaster that said qualification has been met.

    i. All Joplin Police Department photo identification is the property of the City of Joplin, and may be revoked by the Chief of Police at any time. Retiree identification will expire one year from each date of issuance.

6. Only holsters and magazines approved by the department's Rangemaster, and the Chief of Police will be carried by officers. The holster must be able to effectively secure the weapon and be black in design. Uniform officers must carry a minimum of two additional magazines in a black or nylon magazine pouch on their duty belt or vest.

7. Plainclothes and off-duty officers shall wear their authorized firearm in a manner that will not be in open view unless a badge or ID card is also visible. An exception to the badge or ID card requirement would be an officer working in an undercover assignment or when in the police department's facility.

8. Any time that officers carry a firearm off duty they shall carry their departmental identification and badge.

9. Handguns shall be carried fully loaded by on-duty sworn personnel. Uniformed officers shall carry three fully loaded magazines for a total of 52 rounds. Plainclothes officers shall carry a minimum of 2 fully loaded magazines for their primary weapon regardless of the model. The total number of rounds to be carried by plainclothes officers is as follows; Glock 17-35 rounds, Glock 19-31 rounds, Glock 26-21 rounds. The required minimum number of rounds/magazines includes those in the firearm. Officers shall carry an extra fully loaded rifle magazine on their person when deployed with their rifle. (1.3.9 B)

10. An officer shall never brandish a firearm or remove a firearm from its holster other than in the proper performance of duty.

11. No officer will be armed while under suspension unless possession of a firearm is in compliance with existing state statutes and any applicable ordinances regarding the use and possession of firearms by the general public.

12. Firearms shall not be carried into the jail area but shall be placed inside the firearms storage box provided for weapons located at the entrance of the jail, secured in the trunk of the patrol vehicle, or secured in a locking compartment on the interior of the patrol vehicle. The patrol vehicle shall be locked while conducting duties at the jail. The Taser 10, and any newer Taser model, will be considered an exempt firearm in regard to this section of policy.

B. Authorized firearms

The only weapons officers are authorized to carry or use while on duty are department owned firearms. The only exceptions to this rule are department authorized "back-up" weapons (41.3.4) and personally owned rifles that have been authorized by the Chief of Police or his designee. The department Rangemaster shall maintain a list of all authorized weapons.

1. Handguns: Officers will be authorized to carry only two handguns; one primary and one secondary firearm. The authorized department issued service weapon (primary firearm) is the Glock, model 17, 19, and 26. The secondary firearm must be concealable and of the caliber of .380 or larger if a semi-automatic, or a revolver. The secondary firearm should have a minimum of two magazines including the one in the firearm, or a minimum of twelve rounds for a revolver. The secondary firearm must be first approved by the Rangemaster. (1.2.2, 1.3.9 A)

2. Shotguns: The authorized service shotgun of the department shall be a 12-gauge, 870 Remington pump chambering 2 ¾" or 3" shells, as evaluated and approved for duty use by the Rangemaster. (1.2.2, 1.3.9 A,B)

   a. When the shotgun is stored in the police vehicle, the chamber shall be empty, the hammer down, the safety on, with 4 shells in the magazine. (1.3.9 F)

   b. The shotgun shall be made safe and the round in the chamber retuned to the magazine without undue delay after the tactical field situation has been stabilized.

   c. When the shotgun is in use in the field, it should be transported in its case and in the trunk of the patrol car, unless there is a shotgun rack in the patrol vehicle, in which case it should be secured in the rack. (1.3.9 F)

3. Rifles:

   a. The only rifles authorized for use are those purchased and issued by the department. In the event the department does not have the quantity of rifles needed for all personnel to be issued a rifle, the sworn employee will have the option to carry a personally owned rifle under certain guidelines. The department will purchase and issue the following when available: (1.2.2, 1.3.9 A)

      i. Colt Commando

      ii. Colt M4

      iii. Remington 700 (sniper rifle)

      iv. FN Herstal SPR (sniper rifle)

v. Rock River M4 series

vi. LWRC

vii. Any other rifle approved by the Chief of Police or his designee.

b. Personally owned rifles carried by officers shall meet the following criteria and specifications:

i. Personally owned rifles will be required to follow the same criteria and specifications as department owned rifles as set in this SOG.

ii. Officers will need to request to carry a personally owned rifle by submitting a formal request through use of the "Personally Owned Patrol Rifle Authorization Form". This form will be submitted to the Rangemaster and an inspection of the rifle will then be conducted. Upon approval, these forms will be forwarded to the Records Division for proper storage.

iii. The Joplin Police Department and the City will not accept liability for the loss, theft, damage, or total destruction of personally owned rifles that are the personal property of members who have been allowed to use them while on-duty. By participating in this program, members agree to all provisions of this statement.

iv. A Department certified armorer shall inspect rifles annually to ensure they remain in compliance with all departmental specifications. Once the weapon is approved for duty use, it is not to be modified in any way without the approval of the Rangemaster.

v. In case of an officer involved shooting with the rifle, the member will surrender the rifle to proper authority for placement into evidence as part of the investigation. The Chief of Police may elect to issue the member an agency owned rifle, if one is available, while the member's personal rifle is in evidence. The Joplin Police Department is under no obligation to replace any rifles placed into evidence.

vi. An officer's participation in the program will be at the discretion of the Chief of Police. Officers who exhibit inappropriate behavior with the rifle, as determined by the Chief of Police, or fail to complete the qualification course shall be removed from the rifle program.

vii. Personally owned rifle specifications:

1. Shall be AR-15 type.
2. Chambered for 5.56 mm or .223 rifle ammunition.
3. Semiautomatic fire only.
4. Class 3/NFA (suppressors, full-auto, short barrel rifles, etc.) weapons will not be authorized.
5. Trigger pull must be a minimum of 4.5 pounds.
6. Equipped with iron sights or non-electronic capable sights.
7. Equipped with a hard or soft rifle case to enclose the rifle.
8. Equipped with minimum of three 30 round PMAG magazines.
9. Equipped with authorized departmental issued factory ammunition only.

c. Rifles may be deployed by qualified and assigned officers to:

i. Provide a more immediate tactical response to calls involving armed and/or violent offenders.

ii. Increase citizen and officer safety at high-risk incidents.

iii. Provide for more accurate and controlled shot placement, if necessary.

d. Officers assigned a rifle are responsible for the safe and secure storage of that rifle.

e. When the rifle is in use in the field, it should be transported inside its case and in the trunk of the patrol car. An exception would be situations in which a vehicle was being used to deploy officers or during an on-going operation or if the vehicle is equipped with a rifle rack. (1.3.9 F)

f. When carried in a vehicle, the rifle shall be in the following mode: (1.3.9 F)

i. Safety on.

ii. Chamber empty.

iii. Magazine inserted into the rifle.

f. The rifle may be deployed under any of the following conditions:

i. For a perimeter/containment situation involving a hostage and/or barricaded subject.

ii. An “armed subject” call.

iii. A felony or high-risk traffic stop.

iv. A “hold-up” or armed robbery call.

v. Where the officer has a reasonable expectation that there is potential for an armed subject encounter.

vi. Upon request of a department supervisor.

vii. An officer assigned to any special assignment, whose official duties may require carrying a firearm other than the firearms authorized
above, must receive prior written approval from the chief of police to carry such a firearm.

Note: Officers should avoid deploying with their rifle inside a building unless the building is a large warehouse or commercial building or the type of confrontation necessitates the use of the rifle.

C. Secondary weapons

1. Secondary weapons and their ammunition are purchased at the officer's expense. The Rangemaster shall inspect and certify the secondary weapon and ammunition before the firearm may be carried. Secondary weapons and personally owned rifles shall be approved by the Rangemaster or designee. Primary weapon must be department issued. (1.3.9 A,B,C)

a. Officers shall qualify with the secondary weapon annually.

b. The Rangemaster shall approve any concealed holster for a secondary or off-duty weapon. Any off-duty holster shall have at minimum one retention device

c. The Rangemaster shall maintain a record of all weapons used by each officer. The record shall include the officer’s name, make of the firearm, caliber, and serial number. (1.3.9 E)

2. Officers may carry, while off duty, either an issued weapon or one purchased at officers' expense. Subject to the controls listed above.

3. Officers may not carry weapons while under the influence of alcohol or drugs or in other situations where it is socially inappropriate.

4. Carrying a firearm while off-duty is at the option of the officer. An officer who elects not to carry a firearm while off-duty shall not be subject to disciplinary action if an occasion should arise in which he could have acted but did not do so because he was unarmed.

5. Off-duty officers, while operating a marked department vehicle, shall have an approved firearm available.

D. Ammunition Specifications Authorized by the Department (1.3.9 B)

1. Handgun ammunition:

   a. .380 caliber

   b. .9mm caliber (issued) -manufacture and bullet grain as determined by the Rangemaster and approved by the Chief of Police

   c. .38 caliber

   d. .357 caliber

   e. .40 caliber

   f. .45 caliber

2. Shotgun ammunition:
   a. 00 buckshot; 2 ¾ or 3" (issued) -manufacture and bullet grain as determined by the Rangemaster and approved by the Chief of Police

   b. Rifled slug; 2 ¾ or 3" (issued) -manufacture and bullet grain as determined by the Rangemaster and approved by the Chief of Police

   c. Less Lethal Projectile;

      i. ALS pen prevent (ballistic bag)

      ii. ALS rubber rocket OC projectile

      iii. ALS OC muzzle blast dispersion round

3. Rifle ammunition:

   a. 5.56 or.223 caliber (issued) -manufacture and bullet grain as determined by the Rangemaster and approved by the Chief of Police

   b. .308 caliber; 180gr. Nosler Accu-bond (issued) -manufacture and bullet grain as determined by the Rangemaster and approved by the Chief of Police

4. 37 / 40 mm ammunition:

   a. ALS short range CS projectile

   b. ALS long range CS projectile

   c. OC muzzle blast dispersion round

d. ALS tri-action multiple projectile CS cartridge

e. ALS technologies 40mm REACT round

f. 40mm CS barricade penetrator

E. Security of weapons (1.3.9 F)

Officers are responsible for the care, cleaning, and maximum security of departmental weapons issued to them. Officers shall report any weapon malfunction to the chief of police via the Rangemaster. Every commissioned officer is issued a gun lock for their handgun or long-gun and they are expected to use them. Any time an officer transports a department assigned firearm in a personally owned vehicle, the weapon shall not be left unsecured, in plain view in the passenger compartment of the vehicle, for any length of time, at any location when the officer is not in the vehicle. If available, the weapon shall be locked in the trunk. An officer shall not leave the firearm in a vehicle (personal or take home) if the officer is at their residence.

F. Departmental Rangemaster

The duties of the Rangemaster are as follows:

1. Maintain issued departmental weapons and associated equipment.

2. Inspect all weapons being returned to the rangemaster to ensure they are clean and serviceable. (1.3.9 C)

3. Repair all returned malfunctioning weapons. (1.3.9 C)

4. Maintain records of issuance, care, and maintenance of departmental weapons and associated items. (1.3.9 E)

5. Maintain the armory and department range and issue departmental ammunition.

6. Inspect and certify as serviceable personally owned firearms and ammunition that are authorized for on-duty use. (1.3.9 C)

7. Inspect and authorize the use of holsters for on-duty use.

8. Inspect all weapons used by officers for on-duty at each qualification shoot. (1.3.9 C)

9. The Rangemaster shall maintain a record of all firearms, which have been authorized and certified as safe and with which officers have qualified. This record shall include the following: (1.3.9 E)

   a. Officer's name and identification number.

   b. Make and model of weapon.

   c. Serial number of weapons.

10. The Rangemaster shall be a firearms instructor certified by the FBI's Rangemaster Course or other comparable training. Other officers may be certified as firearms instructors, yet they are not assigned the Rangemaster's duties. (1.3.9 C) (1.3.11 A)

G. Modification of weapons

1. Departmental weapons shall not be modified or altered without approval of the Chief of Police or his designee. No weapon, whether department or personally owned are allowed to display any etchings or engravings of logos, pictures or lettering other than those created by the manufacture of the weapon unless authorized by the Chief of Police or his designee. All weapons coatings will be black in color and no cerakote finishes or vinyl wraps will be permitted to carry on-duty unless authorized by the Chief of Police or his designee.

2. No substitution of the firearm's grips is permitted without approval of the Rangemaster.

H. Firearms inspections (1.3.9 C)

1. Although either the firearms instructor or the Rangemaster shall thoroughly inspect each weapon during qualification on the range, sergeants shall inspect subordinate officers' issued firearms quarterly to ensure that they are maintained in a clean and serviceable condition.

   a. Firearms inspections shall include sidearms, shotguns, authorized rifles, magazine holders, and holsters.

   b. Ammunition shall be inspected to ensure that it is of departmental issue, of correct quantity, and in serviceable condition. Firearms shall be loaded with department-approved ammunition, which shall not be modified in any way.

   c. Upon completion of inspections, the sergeant shall forward a memorandum to the chief of police through the bureau Captain that documents the following information:

      i. The date the inspection was held.
      ii. The name of each officer inspected.
      iii. The findings of the inspection.

2. Officers shall present their firearms to a range officer at any time without notice for inspection and examination for defects and malfunction. The range officer, or any supervisory officer may make inspection of firearms.

3. Any weapon found to be unsafe during inspection, or at any time, will be immediately removed from service pending repair by a department armorer, outside armorer, or the manufacturer. (1.3.9 D)

   a. When an issued weapon is taken out of service, a replacement will be provided by the Department Rangemaster of the same make and model.

      i. The officer will be required to qualify with any replacement weapon at the earliest available opportunity.

I. Annual Inventory of Weapons

1. A complete inventory of all department issued weapons shall occur on an annual basis in conjunction with the qualification for the year. The Rangemaster shall be responsible to ensure that all serial numbers from all weapons are recorded. This would include having a range officer visually verify and record each serial number.

2. This list of serial numbers gathered from the qualification will then be forwarded to the Internal Affairs Division to compare with the current electronic records of issued firearms.

3. The Internal Affairs Division will then complete an inventory of all weapons that are shown to be in the armory to verify that they are still on hand in the armory.

4. A completed inventory report shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police following the inventory. The report shall list the total number of firearms that the agency currently owns with a breakdown by make, model and caliber. Any discrepancies found during the audit shall also be noted on this report.

5. The annual inventory shall also include any weapons that are designated as "training weapons" that are maintained by the Training Unit.

V. PROCEDURES - QUALIFICATION

A. Qualification rules

1. The range officer or Rangemaster shall be in charge always when officers are on the firing range for qualification. All officers must qualify annually with the weapon(s) they are authorized to carry. (1.3.11 A)

2. Only weapons and ammunition issued by the department shall be used during qualifications, except for officers who are qualifying with back-up weapons. Officers qualifying with a personally owned firearm will supply their own ammunition.

3. No smoking, drinking, eating, or chewing tobacco shall be permitted in the firing lanes.

4. Officers waiting to shoot shall remain outside the immediate firing area (behind the 25yard line or 50-yard line, whichever appropriate).

5. Persons who are not participating officers shall not be allowed nearer the shooting area than the parking lot, except by the approval of the Range Officer or Rangemaster.

6. Strict discipline must be maintained by the Range Officer and by the officers receiving the training. Employees attending firearms training will be attentive and cooperative in class and on the firing range. Horseplay shall not be permitted. Anyone engaged in horseplay shall be sent to the office of the Chief of Police, and the Range Officer or Rangemaster shall write a report to the chief of police detailing the circumstances. The Chief, or his designee, will determine if discipline is warranted.

7. The Rangemaster or Range Officer shall inspect all weapons before firing to (1) ascertain that all weapons are safe and (2) to ensure that the weapons are properly maintained. (1.3.9 C)

8. Every officer shall fire the regular firearms course approved by the departmental rangemaster.

9. The firearms qualification score for law enforcement officers of this agency is a "pass" or "fail", which shall be recorded in the official records. (1.3.11 B)

10. Officers shall be permitted 2 opportunities to qualify. Officers who fail to qualify shall be placed in remedial training as soon as practicable and shall be removed from patrol or investigative duties until the standards expressed herein are met. Officers who cannot qualify within fifteen days of the original qualification shall be subject to administrative termination. (1.3.11 C)

B. Safety

1. The Range Officer, regardless of rank, will oversee the firearms training. (1.3.11 A)

2. All officers, including superior officers, will follow the range officer's commands concerning range operations and procedures. Any officer, regardless of rank, who is insubordinate to the range officer or their designee will be immediately removed from the range facility and sent to the office of the Chief of Police.

The Chief, or his designee, will determine if discipline is warranted. The Range Officer will report to the Chief of Police any problems he/she might encounter because of this policy provision.

3. Before going to the shooting line, each officer shall wear their department issued body armor, and approved eye and ear protection.

4. All weapons and ammunition pouches, speed loaders, and magazines shall be emptied within the firing range upon command and under supervision of the firearms instructor or Rangemaster. The instructor or Rangemaster shall instruct all shooters on range safety procedures before the qualification takes place.

5. Once weapons have been emptied, they shall remain in holsters until officers have taken positions on the firing line and the firearms instructor has given permission to "dry fire" or "load with ammunition."

6. Once a shooting phase has begun, weapons shall be kept pointed down range, and officers shall remain facing their targets. An officer shall raise his hands to draw the instructor's attention if he or she misunderstands a command.

7. At no time shall anyone go beyond the firing line until it is safe, and then only when the range officer or rangemaster gives the command.

8. Keep the trigger finger out of the trigger guard and away from the trigger until the weapon is pointed down range.

9. When picking up a firearm, open the cylinder or action and check to see if it is loaded. Check the weapon the second time to assure that it is safe. Always unload a weapon before laying it down or handing it off for someone else to use.

10. Do not give a firearm to anyone unless the cylinder or action is open, and no rounds are in the weapon.

11. Any time a weapon is cleared of ammunition on the range, it will be done so while the officer is on the firing line, with the weapon pointed down range, otherwise the weapon will be cleared in the clearing trap at the range shed.

While at the station, all weapons needing to be cleared for any reason, will be cleared in the clearing trap located just inside the employee entrance. The proper procedure for using the clearing trap is; remove magazine from weapon, insert the muzzle of the weapon approximately one inch into the top of the clearing trap, cycle action on the weapon at least twice to remove round from chamber, leave action open. To load a weapon; insert magazine, insert into clearing trap, cycle action, holster or properly store weapon.

C. Shotgun

1. Every officer must pass a shotgun qualification course approved by the Rangemaster before carrying a department-issued shotgun.

2. The ammunition chamber shall be left open and the safety on until instructed by the firearms instructor or Rangemaster to load or check the weapon.

3. Shotguns shall not be handled except on the command of the firearms instructor or Rangemaster.

D. Rifle

1. Every officer must pass a rifle qualification course approved by the Rangemaster before carrying a department-issued rifle or a personally owned rifle approved for department use.

2. The ammunition chamber shall be left open and the safety on until instructed by the firearms instructor or Rangemaster to load or check the weapon.

3. Rifles shall not be handled except on the command of the firearms instructor or Rangemaster.

E. Classroom instruction

1. All department personnel shall, if duties require carrying firearms, receive classroom familiarization with their firearms before obtaining permission from the firearms instructor to enter the firing range. Classroom training shall cover the mechanics of the weapon (stripping, lubricating, nomenclature, troubleshooting, misfires), sound safety practices, and departmental policy governing the use of force. Tactical considerations shall be a part of this training, such as the use of verbal commands, shooting in various postures and positions, handling multiple suspects.

2. In addition to the range qualifying session, the Rangemaster shall schedule two training/practice session during the year for all officers; these will be eight-hour training days during the annual in-service. Topics covered include shoot/don't shoot issues, less lethal weapons.

VI. COMPLIANCE

Violations of this policy, or portions thereof, may result in disciplinary action as described in the City of Joplin's Personnel Rules or the Joplin Police Department's Rules and Regulations and General Orders. Members of the Joplin Police Department, while assigned to or assisting other agencies, shall comply with this policy.

VII. APPLICATION

This document constitutes department policy, is for internal use only, and does not enlarge an employee's civil or criminal liability in any way. It shall not be construed as the creation of a higher legal standard of safety or care in an evidentiary sense, with respect to third party claims insofar as the employee's legal duty as imposed by law. Violations of this policy, if proven, can only form a basis of a complaint by this department, and then only in a non-judicial administrative setting.

JPD Pistol Qualification Course

1 yard line

- Combat tuck stance
- On command fire 2 rounds
- Repeat twice more

- 6 rnds

3 yard line

- Strong hand only
  - On command draw and fire 3 rounds, holster
  - Repeat once
    - 6 rnds

- Support hand
  - On command draw & transition
  - Fire 2 and then holster
  - Repeat once
    - 4 rnds

5 yard line

- Support hand
  - On command draw & transition
  - Fire 2 and then holster
  - Repeat once
    - 4 rnds

- Shooting stance
  - On command draw
  - Fire 2 chest, 1 head, holster
  - Repeat once
    - 6 rnds

Must hit 40 out of 50 in scoring rings to qualify.

7 yard line

- Shooting stance
  - On command draw
  - Fire 2 chest, 1 head, holster
  - Repeat once
    - 6 rnds

15 yard line (barricades, grip change)

- On command draw
- 4 Strong hand supported
- 4 Support hand supported
- Holster, make safe
  - 8 rnds

25 yard line (barricades)

- On command draw
- 5 standing
- Magazine change
- 5 kneeling
- Holster
  - 10 rnds

JPD Patrol Rifle Qualification Course

100 yard line

- Prone
  - On command fire 5 rounds
    - 5 rnds

50 yard line

- Sitting or Kneeling
  - On command fire 5 rounds
    - 5 rnds

40 yard line

- Kneeling
  - On command fire 5 rounds
    - 5 rnds

25 yard line

- Standing
  - Fire 3 to body and 2 to the head
    - 5 rnds

15 yard line

- Standing
  - Fire 5 to the head
    - 5 rnds

All rounds must be on target to qualify.

JPD shotgun Qualification Course

50 yard- 1 slug (stand, kneel, or prone)
40 yard- 2 slug (one standing, one kneeling)
25 yard- 2 slug and 2 buckshot (standing)
15 yard 2 buckshot (one standing, one kneeling)
7 yard 1 buckshot (kneeling)

Can miss one slug and 8 pellets and still qualify.

JPD back up / Retired Officer Pistol Qualification Course

Stage 1 – Distance = 3 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

Drill 1 - Strong-hand only. The shooter will draw the handgun with the strong hand only, fire three rounds, and holster upon completion.

Drill 2 - Support-hand only. The shooter will draw the handgun with the strong hand, transition the handgun to the support hand, fire three rounds with the support hand only, and holster upon completion.

Stage 2 - Distance = 5 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

Drill 1 - Two hand support. The shooter will draw the handgun with the two hand support only, fire two rounds and holster upon completion. This drill will be repeated two more times for a total of six rounds with the strong hand.

Stage 3 - Distance = 7 yards. Total rounds fired = 7

The shooter will draw the handgun, using a two-hand support grip, fire a total of seven rounds and holster upon completion.

Stage 4 - Distance = 10 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

The shooter will draw the handgun, using a two-hand support grip and fire 3 rounds, and holster upon completion. This drill will be repeated once more for a total of six rounds using a two-hand support grip.

GUIDELINES FOR THE MISSOURI FIREARMS TRAINING AND QUALIFICATION COURSE FOR RETIRED PEACE OFFICERS

Pursuant to section 650.030, of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, the director of public safety shall have the authority to establish a state firearms training and qualification standard for retired law enforcement officers carrying concealed firearms pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 926C of the Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2004, and shall promulgate rules for the implementation of this state standard as required by 18 U.S.C. Section 926C(d)(2)(B).

(1) For a retired law enforcement officer to be considered certified as having met the state's annual firearms training and qualification standard for retired law enforcement officers pursuant to section 650.030, RSMo, the retired law enforcement officer must:

(A) Successfully complete the two-hour training course approved by the Director of the Missouri Department of Public Safety; and

(B) Successfully complete the firearm qualification course approved by the Director of the Missouri Department of Public Safety.

(2) To successfully complete the two-hour training course, the retired law enforcement officer must attend the course in its entirety and participate in the course to the satisfaction of the course instructor.

(3) To successfully complete the firearm qualification course, the retired law enforcement officer must obtain a passing score of seventy-percent on the course of fire. If a retired law enforcement officer fails to obtain a passing score on the first attempt, or fails to adhere to the time constraints of the course of fire, he or she will be permitted one opportunity to reattempt the entire course of fire. If the retired law enforcement officer fails on the second attempt, he or she must wait six-months before he or she will have two additional attempts to successfully complete the course of fire. This six-month process will repeat itself until the retired law enforcement officer successfully completes the prescribed course of fire. If the retired law enforcement officer does not successfully complete the prescribed course of fire within a year from the date the two-hour training course was successfully completed, the two-hour training course must be repeated. A weapon malfunction that is not the result of shooter error will not be counted against the retired law enforcement officer. All stages of fire are to be completed in the standing position.

(A) The firearm training course of fire shall be as follows:

Stage 1 – Distance = 3 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

Drill 1 - Strong-hand only. The shooter will draw the handgun with the strong hand only, fire three rounds, and holster upon completion.

Drill 2 - Support-hand only. The shooter will draw the handgun with the strong hand, transition the handgun to the support hand, fire three rounds with the support hand only, and holster upon completion.

Stage 2 - Distance = 5 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

Drill 1 - Two hand support. The shooter will draw the handgun with the two hand support only, fire two rounds and holster upon completion. This drill will be repeated two more times for a total of six rounds with the strong hand.

Stage 3 - Distance = 7 yards. Total rounds fired = 7

The shooter will draw the handgun, using a two-hand support grip, fire a total of seven rounds and holster upon completion.

Stage 4 - Distance = 10 yards. Total rounds fired = 6

The shooter will draw the handgun, using a two-hand support grip, and holster upon completion. This drill will be repeated once more for a total of six rounds using a two-hand support grip.

(4) Various silhouette targets may be utilized during the firearm qualification course; however, the maximum size silhouette target allowable is the B-27 target, scoring those "hits" that are within the silhouette. Therefore, retired law enforcement officers must place a minimum of seventeen out of twenty five rounds within the silhouette to obtain a passing score of seventy-percent

(5) For purposes of meeting the certification requirements outlined in section 650.030, RSMo, the two hour training course and the qualification course shall only by instructed by those persons validly licensed by the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Program as a firearms instructor in all 1600 basic training curricula codes.

(6) Upon successful completion of the training course and the qualification course, the instructor shall, at a minimum, provide the retired law enforcement officer with a certificate of completion indicating the retired law enforcement officer has met the state's annual qualification standard for retired law enforcement officers pursuant to section 650.030, RSMo, the date(s) the training and qualification courses were successfully completed, and the printed and signed name of the POST licensed instructor providing the training. This certification shall be valid for a period of one year from the date the training and qualification courses were successfully completed.

(7) The certificate of completion shall serve as proof that the retired law enforcement officer has met the state's annual firearms training and qualification standard for retired law enforcement officers carrying concealed firearms pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 926C.

Personally Owned Patrol Rifle Authorization Form

I, _____, request permission to carry a personally owned patrol rifle on-duty. The request is being made for the following firearm:

Make: _____

Model: _____

Caliber: _____

Serial Number: _____

Trigger Pull: _____

I understand the Joplin Police Department and the City will not accept liability of the loss, theft, damage, or total destruction of personally owned AR-15 series rifles that are the personal property of members who have been allowed to use them while on-duty. By participating in this program, members agree to all provisions of this statement and the Patrol Rifle Program policy.

Authorization to carry said firearm will commence upon approval and successful completion of prescribed training and qualification with the weapon.

Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Weapon Inspected by: _____ Date: _____

Patrol Rifle Course: Pass / Fail Date: _____

Class Instructor: _____

Approved to Carry by: _____ Date: _____

Authorized Rifle Specifications

Yes / No **Be of the AR15 type**

Yes / No **Be inspected by Rangemaster/Officer**

Yes / No **Be of 5.56mm or .223 rifle caliber**

Yes / No **Semi-automatic fire only**

Yes / No **Equipped with Red Dot style sight or similar optic**

Yes / No **Equipped with an iron sight system or non-electronic capable optic sights.**

Yes / No **Equipped with a weapon mounted light**

Yes / No **Equipped with a tactical style sling**

Yes / No **Equipped with a rifle case to enclose the rifle**

Yes / No **Equipped with a minimum of three (30 round) AR15 magazines which can be effectively deployed.**

Approved Modifications:

1._____

2._____

3._____

4._____

5._____