## SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDER

**DATE/TIME:** SEPTEMBER 16, 2020 – 0830 HOURS

**NUMBER:** OR 20-37R

**SUBJECT:** ANNUAL AR-15 RIFLE QUALIFICATION

**COST CENTER:** 1914131112

**SCOPE:** ALL MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT

**DEPARTMENT PROCEDURE AFFECTED**: 1.05, 1.41

Annual qualification for AR-15 rifles will begin September 28, 2020, and will conclude January 8, 2021. Supervisors and officers approved to carry AR-15 rifles are required to successfully pass the annual qualification during this period. Dates available for this shoot will be posted on Success Factors titled "Firearms Rifle Qualification Shoot." Immediate supervisors will ensure their personnel are scheduled and track their attendance.

Only personnel who completed the mandatory rifle training shoots this year are eligible to qualify. Department members who fail to attend the rifle qualification will have their privilege to carry a patrol rifle revoked. Current SWAT officers are exempt from this yearly qualification.

The rifle qualification shoot will consist of a 40-round scored course of fire. Sworn personnel must achieve a minimum passing score of 170 out of 200. The shoot will consist of skill tests involving rifle manipulation, transition drills, malfunction clearing, and standing timed shots from the 3 to the 50-yard line. The Firearm Proficiency Award Program will be in effect during this shoot. Shooters must score 195 or more points in the "A" and "C" zones only, with all rounds hitting the scoring area in their <u>first attempt</u> at the shoot to qualify for the award. Officers need to qualify annually for this award to wear the Rifle Expert pin.

Supervisors and officers will wear the duty gear appropriate for their current assignment, including a serviceable holster; tactical drop down holsters and thigh rigs will not be used unless that equipment is worn in the normal course of their duties and authorized by unit policy. **Shoulder holster and cross-draw type holsters are not authorized**.

Sworn officers must bring their handgun with three pistol magazines and their Department-approved rifle with at least three magazines, loaded with duty

**ammunition.** The Firearms Training Unit will provide training ammunition for the handguns, and replace expended duty rifle ammunition.

<u>Department members must arrive fifteen minutes prior to the scheduled training time for a rifle inspection and any necessary repairs. Personnel who arrive late may be turned away and directed to reschedule the training.</u>

Due to ongoing construction, completion of the 2019-2020 AOT cycle and several holidays during this shift, it is recommended for all personnel to complete the qualification shoot as early in the shift as possible.

For any questions regarding this training shoot, please contact the Rangemaster, Sergeant Chris Sarot at (619) 527-6080, or csarot@pd.sandiego.gov.

Please read at squad conferences and post