

**STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**GENERAL ORDER**

**FIREARMS QUALIFICATIONS**  
**SUBJECT**

**DATE:** May 10, 2021

**NO:** Q-1f

**FROM:** CHIEF ERIC JONES

**TO:** ALL PERSONNEL

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Duty Pistol Qualifications  
Second Weapon Qualifications (Handguns)  
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**I. POLICY**

- A. All Stockton Police Department sworn and reserve personnel will qualify quarterly with their duty and second weapons. Failure to qualify each quarter will result in disciplinary action and may result in an officer being relieved from duty until qualified.
- B. All sworn personnel shall have monitored handgun qualifications by an approved and qualified Stockton Police Department Rangemaster.
- C. Sworn personnel below the rank of Lieutenant, shall qualify with the Patrol Rifle during the first and third quarters.
- D. Sworn personnel below the rank of Lieutenant, shall qualify with the shotgun and less lethal during the second and fourth quarters.
- E. Quarters consist of three-month periods beginning January 1.
- F. Only personnel certified by a POST Firearms Instructor course shall conduct quarterly qualifications at the direction of the Rangemaster.
- G. The Department Rangemaster or other qualified firearms instructor shall monitor all quarterly qualifications. The Rangemaster or firearms instructor will then sign the qualification sheet next to the qualifying officer's name.
- H. Records of quarterly qualifications will be maintained by the Rangemaster.
- I. The red flag will be hoisted to the top of the mast located in the parking lot of the Range when the Rangemaster is available and the Range is open.

**II. PROCEDURE**

- A. Duty pistol qualifications will be on a course approved by the Chief of Police.
  - 1. The minimum passing score will be determined by the Chief of Police.
- B. Second Weapon Qualifications (Handguns)
  - 1. All second weapons must be approved by the Departmental Rangemaster and must conform with the authorized list in General Order Q-1a
  - 2. Qualifications of second weapons will be the same as the service handgun.
    - a. Officers will supply their own ammunition if it is other than 9mm cal.
    - b. Each officer will demonstrate the ability to perform normal maintenance on said weapon.
- C. Shotgun / Less Lethal Qualification will use the falling plate / rubber silhouette course.

1. SHOTGUN: 8 ROUNDS TOTAL
    - a. 15 yard line - Four rounds from the magazine, combat re-load the remaining four rounds.
    - b. To receive a passing score, officers must hit six (6) plates with eight (8) shots.
  2. LESS LETHAL: 6 ROUNDS TOTAL
    - a. 15 yard line – Four rounds from the magazine, combat load remaining two rounds.
    - b. To receive a passing score, officers must score 4 hits on the rubber silhouette in the appropriate less lethal body zone.
- D. Patrol Rifle Qualification
1. Sworn personnel below the rank of Lieutenant shall qualify with the Patrol Rifle every first and third quarter of the calendar year.
  2. The Patrol Rifle Qualification Course is as follows:
    - a. 50 yard line: 20 rounds as follows:
      - (1) 5 rounds from standing strong side barricade.
      - (2) 5 rounds from supported kneeling position.
      - (3) 5 rounds from supported seated position.
      - (4) 5 rounds from prone position.
    - b. 25 yard line: 10 rounds as follows:
      - (1) 5 rounds unsupported standing position.
      - (2) 5 rounds unsupported kneeling position.
    - c. Target will be the FBI, "Q" (Bottle) target.
    - d. Minimum passing score is (27) hits in the scoring area.
- E. Personnel will adhere to the following guidelines when qualifying at the Stockton Police Training Facility.
1. Each officer will check in with the Rangemaster before beginning any course of fire.
  2. The Rangemaster will periodically adjust the Range hours to meet the demands of quarterly qualifications.
  3. Supervisors will make every effort to minimize overtime by utilizing the adjusted Range hours.
  4. Personnel will follow the Safety Rules posted at the Stockton Police Training Facility.