

OFFICE OF SUPPORT SERVICES

NOTICE 1.3

February 1, 2021

TO: All Sworn Personnel

FROM: Director, Office of Support Services

SUBJECT: REQUIRED EQUIPMENT (BATON AND HOBBLE RESTRAINT DEVICE) – REMINDER

This notice is a reminder for all uniformed personnel to carry all required equipment including a baton and Hobble Restraint Device (HRD). By carrying a baton and HRD in compliance with Department policy, officers increase the resources available to them during tactical situations.

Department Manual, Volume 3, Section 621.10, REQUIRED EQUIPMENT - UNIFORMED OFFICERS states the following:

In addition to the basic uniform (Manual Section 3/614), officers assigned to uniformed field duty, a geographic Area front desk, or traffic division front desk-related duties, shall carry the following equipment:

- *Baton. Officers using motorized equipment while on-duty shall carry their batons in a manner authorized by their commanding officer. The carrying of the baton by officers assigned to intersection traffic control shall be at the option of their commanding officer;*
- *Hobble Restraint Device. Exception for motorcycle officers, the hobble restraint device shall be carried on the key ring holder of the officer's equipment belt, in either sap pocket of the uniform trouser or in a Department approved carrying case. Motorcycle officers shall carry the hobble restraint device in a uniform pants pocket, or in a Department approved carrying case.*

In addition, Department Manual, Volume 3, Section 622.45, BATON states the following:

Uniformed officers and officers assigned to plainclothes assignments are authorized to carry and use the following batons:

- *24-inch side handle baton; or,*
- *Expandable Side Handle baton; or,*
- *Collapsible Baton.*

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