PERSONNEL AND TRAINING BUREAU

<u>NOTICE</u> 1.12

October 24, 2019

TO:

All Department Personnel

FROM:

Commanding Officer, Personnel and Training Bureau

SUBJECT: HANDLING AND STORAGE OF PATROL RIFLES AND SHOTGUNS

This Notice is a reminder that all Department-approved patrol rifles and shotguns shall be loaded, unloaded, and stored in accordance with current training and policy while deployed. When using an authorized Department rifle or shotgun rack, officers shall ensure there is no round in the chamber, and the safety is "ON." For patrol rifles, officers will ensure there is a loaded magazine in the magazine well.

Only trained and certified personnel are authorized to deploy the rifle. Please contact the Area Training Coordinator for more information on personnel authorized to deploy a patrol rifle. Off-duty storage shall be in accordance with current policy, established by Special Order No. 14, dated December 11, 2017, PATROL RIFLE ACCESSIBILITY – ESTABLISHED.

Additionally, officers are reminded that the handling or use of any firearm shall follow the four basic safety rules:

1. All guns are always loaded

2. Never allow the muzzle to cover anything you are not willing to shoot

3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are aligned on the target and you intend to shoot

4. Be sure of your target

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Sergeant Scott Kennedy, Officer in Charge, Rifle Unit, In-Service Training Division at (213)864-7692.

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