

LAPD Badge Description



- 1. Border design based on the fasces, or ancient Roman symbol of authority.
- 2. Designation of rank.
- 3. Rays of a setting sun represent a West Coast location.
- 4. Replica of City Hall with three symbolic characteristics: Tower's rising lines depict the untiring and unyielding spirit of the City's founders; the flanking wings represent the expansive growth from the first "El Pueblo"; the broad base signifies the City's firm foundation.
- 5. The City Seal depicts: the City's history through Spanish, Mexican, autonomous and United States control; its site as a prolific garden spot; and the early influence of the mission padres.
- 6. Designation of city and department.
- 7. Oval shape, unique in badge design when adopted in 1940.
- 8. Badge number or symbol of rank.