

## 17-15 - Ballistic Vest Exchange

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# Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department NEWSLETTER

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### Ballistic Vest Exchange

The purpose of this newsletter is to advise Department personnel of the proper procedure for exchanging the Department-issued ballistic vest at the Logistics Unit.

It is important to keep your equipment serviceable and ready for use at all times. This includes periodically inspecting the condition of your ballistic vest. There are several indicators which warrant a ballistic vest exchange. These indicators include, but are not limited to:

- The ballistic vest appears to be “bunching” (doesn’t lay flat and/or starts folding on the sides);
- Discoloration is seen through the panels;
- The ballistic vest carrier emits an offensive odor after laundering the exterior carrier (ballistic panels may be cleaned by wiping with a damp cloth);
- The ballistic vest does not fit properly (has become too large or too small); or
- The integrity of the ballistic vest has been compromised (i.e. worn material, punctured, penetrated, or cut.)

Due to the proper storage conditions of the Department-issued ballistic vest at the Logistics Unit, the manufacture date is not a sole factor when determining the condition of your ballistic vest for exchange. Five (5) years after the date the ballistic vest has been placed in-service (issued to you by the Logistics Unit), you should consider exchanging your ballistic vest by doing the following:

- Complete an Equipment Replacement Request Form (SH-AD-588);

- If you do not recall the date your vest was issued to you, e-mail the “Logistics Information Group” at [LogisticsInfoGroup@lasd.org](mailto:LogisticsInfoGroup@lasd.org); and
- Taking your signed SH-AD-588 form, Class “A” uniform and county issued ballistic vest to Logistics, Monday-Friday, 0630-1600 hours.

You must have your Class “A” uniform available, as it is required to ensure the proper fitting of your new ballistic vest.

This newsletter was authored with the assistance of the Department’s Logistics Unit.

Information regarding the content of this newsletter may be directed to the Logistics Unit, at (562) 347-4540, or [Field Operations Support Services](#), at (323) 890-5411.

## **References**

### **Uniform and Equipment Replacement Request Form:**

[http://intranet.lasd.sheriff.sdn/intranet/sec\\_handbook/forms/shad%20588%20uniform%20and%20equipment.pc](http://intranet.lasd.sheriff.sdn/intranet/sec_handbook/forms/shad%20588%20uniform%20and%20equipment.pc)

### **Manual of Policy and Procedures (MPP) Section:**

3-03/040.05 Maintaining Uniforms and Safety Equipment <http://intranet.lasd.sheriff.sdn/intranet/mpp/vol3/3-03/3-03-040.05.htm>

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