Shotgun and Stunbag Shotgun Deployment

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SUBJECT: MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVE 05-08; SHOTGUN AND STUNBAG SHOTGUN DEPLOYMENT

PURPOSE

The purpose of this directive is to establish policies and procedures for the deployment of shotgun and stunbag shotguns at Norwalk Station.

DIRECTIVE

All deputies shall equip their vehicles with a shotgun as per MPP Section 3-03/210.10. The shotgun shall be secured in the front seat rack. The shotgun will be loaded with four authorized buckshot rounds in the magazine tube. Personnel shall not carry a shotgun in a vehicle which contains rifle slug(s) in the barrel chamber and/or magazine tube. No shells shall be chambered until the shotgun is deployed.

The deployment of the stunbag shotgun is optional and based on availability of the weapon in the armory. The stunbag shotgun shall be secured in the trunk of the radio car. The stunbag shotgun shall be loaded with four department issued rounds. All rounds will placed into the feed tube and not chambered until the stunbag shotgun is deployed.

Deputies shall sign out for the weapons on the in-service sheet provided in a three-ring binder located in the armory. The in-service sheets for the respective shifts will be placed in the armory by the Watch Deputy when he distributes the in-services for the next shift. The weapon numbers shall also be indicated on the Deputy's Daily Work Sheet when he/she logs on. The Watch Sergeant will ensure that all the deputies working his shift have listed their shotgun and/or stunbag shotgun on the unit roster for that shift.

At the end of the shift, deputies shall remove the weapons (shotgun stunbag shotgun) from their vehicles and unload them. Under no circumstances shall shotguns or stunbag shotguns be left in vehicles.