

## Section 7 - ERT/Less Lethal-Weapons Deployment

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- 3-07-010 MK-9 Deployment Procedures

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**Review Date:** 02-05-22

**Reference:** CDM 03-03/020.20

#### **PURPOSE OF ORDER:**

The purpose of this order is to establish procedures for deployment of MK-9 canisters at Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) South Facility.

#### **SCOPE OF ORDER:**

This order applies to all personnel assigned to, and working at PDC South Facility.

#### **ORDER:**

Each compound shall be issued [REDACTED TEXT]. The compound officer assigned to each compound shall carry the MK-9 canister at all times during their assigned shift. At the end of the compound officer's shift, they shall personally hand the MK-9 canister to their relieving officer. MK-9 canisters shall not be left unattended in any location.

The officers from each compound shall provide the PDC South Facility main control desk (David) officer with the MK-9 number assigned to their compound at the beginning of each shift. At the beginning of each shift, all MK-9 canisters shall be listed in their respective compound's Uniform Daily Activity Log (UDAL) book with the following information:

- MK-9 canister numbers
- Personnel carrying each MK-9 canister

The following personnel shall also be assigned an MK-9 canister:

- [REDACTED TEXT]

[REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall carry a Taser at all times during their assigned shift. At the end of their shift, they shall personally hand the MK-9 canisters to their relieving officers. [REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall never leave an MK-9 canister unattended in any location unless it can be locked in a secure container (e.g., trunk, cabinet, locker, etc.). [REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall provide the desk officer with the MK-9 numbers at the beginning of each shift.

During the evening inmate meal, compound rovers shall check out an MK-9 canister from PDC South David and assist with IDR security. After all inmates have been fed and return to their barracks, compound rovers shall return the MK-9 canisters to PDC South David.

During meal breaks, MK-9 canisters shall be stored in the officer's personal locker, or turned in to South David, until the end of the officer's meal break.

#### INVENTORYING MK-9 CANISTERS

At the beginning of each shift, the desk officer shall conduct an inventory count, and list each MK-9 canister in the Compound Log. The log is located in the following PDC South share file folder: [REDACTED TEXT]. The desk officer shall confirm personnel are in possession of each MK-9 before documenting it in the log. The desk officer shall be responsible for completing and maintaining the log. The watch deputy shall ensure the MK-9 canisters are properly inventoried and logged. MK-9 canisters stored at South David shall be kept in the storage cabinet adjacent to the desk office.

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## • 3-07-020 Taser Deployment Procedure

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#### **PURPOSE OF ORDER:**

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The purpose of this order is to establish deployment procedures for both the M26 and X26 Tasers. This order establishes policy and guidelines for the issuance and control of all Tasers at Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) South Facility.

**SCOPE OF ORDER:**

This order applies to all personnel assigned to, and working at PDC South Facility.

**ORDER:**

By direction of the Unit Commander:

A Taser will be issued to each compound Prowler (Deputy). The Prowler [REDACTED TEXT] All deputies assigned to each compound shall carry the a Taser on their person at all times during his/her their assigned shift with the following exception: During the Prowler's break, he/she may store the Taser in their personal locker or at the South Desk. At the end of the compound Prowler's shift, he/she each deputy shall personally hand off the Taser to the on-coming shift's Prowler their relieving deputies. At no time shall a Taser be left unattended in the compound. Tasers shall not be left unattended in any location. [REDACTED TEXT] The Prowler carrying the Taser Personnel from each compound shall provide the PDC South Facility main control desk (David) officer with the Taser number and battery percentage at the beginning of each shift. At the beginning of each shift, all Tasers shall be listed in their respective compound's Uniform Daily Activity Log (UDAL) book with the following information:

- Taser numbers
- Taser battery percentages
- Personnel carrying each Taser

[REDACTED TEXT]

[REDACTED TEXT]

[REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall carry a Taser at all times during their assigned shift. At the end of their shift, they shall personally hand the Taser to their relief deputies. [REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall never leave a Taser unattended in any location unless it can be locked in a secure container (e.g., trunk, cabinet, locker, etc.). [REDACTED TEXT] personnel shall provide the desk officer with the Taser numbers and battery percentages at the beginning of each shift.

This unit order does not preclude other deputies assigned to South Facility from carrying a Taser. Additional Taser's shall be stored at the South Desk David and personnel are encouraged to carry one during their shift, providing they comply with the intent of procedures in this unit order.

During meal breaks, Tasers shall be stored in the deputy's personal locker, or turned in to South David, until

the end of the deputy's meal break.

Note: Personnel carrying a Taser shall only use authorized holsters which shall be worn on the opposite side of the firearm pursuant to MMP Manual of Policy and Procedures (MPP) 3-03/150.05, "Gun Belt and Keeper Straps".

#### INVENTORYING TASERS

At the beginning of each shift, the desk officer will shall conduct an inventory count, and account for list each Taser listed on in the "Line Taser compound log." The log is located in the following PDC South share file folder: [REDACTED TEXT] The desk officer will shall confirm personnel are in possession of the each Taser and before documenting it on in the log. The desk officer shall be responsible for completing and maintaining the log. The watch deputy will shall ensure the Tasers are properly inventoried and logged. Tasers stored at the South Desk David, will shall be kept in the storage cabinet adjacent to the Desk Office.

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### • 3-07-030 Stinger Grenade Deployment

### 3-07-030 Stinger Grenade Deployment

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**Reference:** CDM 3-01/025.00 - 3-03/010.00

The purpose of this order is to authorize the use of the Six Shot 40mm. Exact Impact Launcher, the Stinger Grenade (sting ball), and Rubber Blast Ball Grenade during any life threatening assault on staff or inmate, without deputy personnel requesting prior approval from the watch commander, when that delay would possibly result in greater traumatic injury.

#### **SCOPE OF ORDER:**

This order applies to all personnel assigned to, and working at Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) South

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Facility, in the capacity of Yard Deputy.

**ORDER:**

An inmate disturbance, or assault, occurring in the yard area can quickly threaten life, property and the facility's security. The sooner the disturbance is quelled, the greater the probability we have in reducing the extent of injuries to staff or inmates. South Facility is a minimum security custody facility that has a large outdoor recreational yard area designated for inmate exercise use.

To facilitate a safe, effective and immediate response from deputy yard personnel, those deputies assigned to the Title 15 yard deputy position are granted standing watch commander authorization for deployment and use of the Six Shot 40mm. Exact Impact Launcher, Stinger Grenade (sting ball), and Rubber Blast Ball Grenade without direct supervision or watch commander authorization, should an inmate(s) pose a substantial threat of inflicting serious injury or death upon any person.

Yard members witnessing such an event shall make every attempt to initiate appropriate radio broadcast alerting the facility, safety permitting. As first responders, Title 15 yard deputies shall not enter the yard area during an inmate disturbance until proper back-up arrives.

Title 15 yard deputies are reminded that all Department use of force policies and procedures remain in effect. Once an incident is rendered safe, involved personnel shall immediately notify any use or witnessing of force to their sergeant, as is required per Department policy. Personnel assigned to the Title 15 yard deputy position shall be departmentally qualified and as such, shall be authorized to use special weapons.

The designated weapons shall be checked out by the eagle tower yard deputy, when engaged in yard activities. Those weapons shall be returned to the armory at the conclusion of each shift, accounted for by South Facility armory & training personnel.

If possible, the incident shall be captured on a hand-held video camera, until CCTV video capability is put in place.

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**• 3-07-040 Authorization for Use of Special Weapons by Yard Deputy in Emergent Situations**

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**Reference:** CDM 7-08/000.000, 7-08/050.00, 7-08/070.00; Tennessee v. Garner, 471 US.1, 85L. Ed.2<sup>nd</sup> 1 (1985); Unit Order 5-08-050

#### **PURPOSE OF ORDER:**

The purpose of this order is to authorize the use of the six shot 40mm. exact impact launcher, the stinger (sting ball) grenade, and rubber blast ball grenade during any life threatening assault on staff or inmate, without deputy personnel requesting prior approval from the watch commander, when that delay would possibly result in greater traumatic injury.

#### **SCOPE OF ORDER:**

This order applies to all personnel assigned to, and working at Pitchess Detention Center (PDC) South Facility, in the capacity of Yard Deputy.

#### **ORDER:**

Inmate disturbances/assaults in the recreational (rec) yard area can quickly threaten life, property and the facility's security. The sooner the disturbance/assault is quelled, the greater the probability we have in reducing the extent of injuries to staff or inmates. South Facility is a minimum security custody facility that has a large outdoor recreational yard area designated for inmate exercise use.

To facilitate a safe, effective and immediate response from deputy yard personnel, those deputies assigned to the Title 15 yard deputy position are granted standing watch commander authorization for deployment and use of the six shot 40mm. exact impact launcher, the stinger (sting ball) grenade, and rubber blast ball grenade without direct supervision or watch commander authorization, should any inmate(s) pose a substantial threat of inflicting serious injury or death upon any person.

Yard members witnessing such an event shall make every attempt to initiate appropriate radio broadcast alerting the facility, safety permitting. As first responders, Title 15 yard deputies shall not enter the yard area during an inmate disturbance until proper back-up arrives.

Title 15 yard deputies are reminded that all Department use of force policies and procedures remain in effect. Once an incident is rendered safe, involved personnel shall immediately notify any use or witnessing of force

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to their sergeant, as is required per Department policy. Personnel assigned to the Title 15 yard deputy position shall be departmentally qualified and as such, shall be authorized to use special weapons.

[REDACTED TEXT]

If possible, the incident shall be captured on a hand-held video camera, until CCTV video capability is put in place.

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