

2-2 Ballistic Helmets

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DETECTIVE DIVISION

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Subject: **BALLISTIC HELMETS**

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this Bureau Order is to standardize the criteria for use of the ballistic helmets by Major Crimes Bureau personnel.

SCOPE

This order shall apply to all Major Crimes Bureau (MCB) sworn personnel who are engaged in planned tactical operations involving the service of search or arrest warrants, or other searches of fixed structures.

ORDER

The Major Crimes Bureau has recently obtained (United Shield, Commando SC650, NIJ Level IIIA) ballistic helmets for use by sworn personnel during tactical operations. All personnel involved in a planned tactical operation involving the search of, or entry into, a fixed structure where the known risk factors (as determined by the search warrant preparation checklist (SH-R 461) indicate a moderate or higher risk, shall wear their issued ballistic helmets during entry and clearing activities. Exceptions to this order shall require the prior approval of the Detail Lieutenant.

At any time a violent confrontation can be anticipated (arrests or take downs following violent felonies, etc.),

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consideration shall be given, where feasible, to donning the ballistic helmets prior to contacting the suspect(s).

Personnel shall be responsible for the safe storage and care of their issued helmets. Any damage, or the loss/theft of an issued helmet, shall require a memorandum detailing the circumstances surrounding the incident. Additional reports may be required as determined by the Detail Lieutenant.

Team Sergeants shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with this order.
