2015 - 3 SAFETY EQUIPMENT

PURPOSE OF ORDER

The purpose of this order is to provide guidance and policy regarding the responsibilities of sworn personnel assigned to the Bureau when actively contacting citizens in the field.

SCOPE OF ORDER

This order applies to all sworn Bureau personnel.

ORDER

All uniformed Bureau sworn personnel conducting field activities likely to result in citizen contact shall wear approved safety equipment and identification appropriate to their rank, classification, and/or assignment throughout their tour of duty.

Required safety equipment includes:

- Gun belt,
- Service firearm and holster,
- Ammunition case and ammunition,
- Flashlight,
- Baton and holder,
- Handcuffs and case(s)
- Keeper straps
- Key ring holder
- Oleoresin Capsicum "QC" spray canister and holder
- Radio holder

Optional equipment includes:

- Second pair of handcuffs
- Gloves
- Knife and case
- Hobble restraint
- Rainwear
- Sap

A Department-issued helmet and gas mask must be immediately available.

Protective vests shall be worn by all personnel involved in tactical entries or operations where initial resistance may require forced entry into a location. Such operations include, but are not limited to, serving arrest warrants, search warrants, probable cause entries, probation and parole compliance searches, and any other instance when personnel anticipate making an entry even if permission is denied.