

Stanford University has an MOU with the Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office regarding police services. Since Stanford is unincorporated land and is a private university, the law enforcement responsibility falls on the County Sheriff. The Sheriff, at the request of Stanford University, utilizes Reserve Deputy Sheriff status (under Section 830.6 of the California Penal Code) for the Stanford University Department of Public Safety (SUDPS). The deputies are Stanford University employees and are considered "Stanford Reserves." The Stanford Reserves are the police department for Stanford University.

The following list contains the inventory of equipment in the possession of SUDPS as of March 1, 2023 that qualifies as military equipment under state law. Although specific manufacturers are listed for certain equipment below, the SUDPS may acquire substantially identical equipment from a different manufacturer for the same purpose and authorized use and subject to the same restrictions and training requirements. This list shall be updated, and Board approval sought as required by Gov. Code § 7071, in the event that the SUDPS acquires new or additional equipment or if the uses or training requirements for existing equipment change.

# 1. <u>SPECIALIZED FIREARMS & AMMUNITION (CATEGORY 10)</u>:

## a. Quantity, Description, Capabilities, and Purchase Cost:

- i. Colt AR-15 (.223/5.56mm); Cost: \$1,250/rifle; Quantity: 32

  The Colt AR-15 carbine rifle is a specialized firearm carried by deputies in field assignments. Carbine rifles are lightweight, air-cooled, gas operated, magazine fed, shoulder fired weapons designed for semi-automatic and selective fire. The .223 cartridge is used as a lethal option designed to stop a violent encounter with greater accuracy from longer distances and is capable of penetrating soft body armor.
- ii. **Speer .223 62-Grain Gold Dot**; Cost: \$250/500 round case; Quantity: 8,000 rounds The Speer .223 62-Grain Gold Dot cartridge is the duty ammunition deployed during potential lethal encounters.

### b. **Purpose**:

The AR-15 rifles are to be used as long/tactical weapons to address a violent and/or armed threat with greater precision and/or at greater distances than a handgun, if necessary and feasible.

## c. Authorized Use and Training:

## i. Authorized Use

The discharge of a firearm at or towards another person constitutes deadly force. A deputy may discharge a firearm at or towards another person only when the deputy



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reasonably believes, based on the totality of the circumstances, that such force is necessary for one of the following reasons:

- 1. To defend against an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury to the deputy or to another person.
- 2. To apprehend a fleeing person for a felony that threatened or resulted in death or serious bodily injury, if the deputy reasonably believed that the person will cause death or serious bodily injury to another if his or her apprehension is delayed. Where feasible, a deputy shall, prior to the use of force, make reasonable efforts to identify themselves as a peace officer and to warn that deadly force may be used, unless the deputy has objectively reasonable grounds to believe the person is aware of those facts.

A deputy may also discharge a firearm for the following additional reasons:

- 1. To kill a dangerous animal, or to kill an animal that is so badly injured that humanity requires its removal from further suffering and no other disposition is practical.
- 2. For target practice at an approved range as directed by the range master in attendance.
- 3. To give an alarm or to call for assistance in a life-threatening situation when no other means can be used, when discharge would not jeopardize the safety of other persons.

A deputy must consider their surroundings and potential risks to bystanders, to the extent reasonable under the circumstances, before discharging a firearm.

# ii. Prohibited Use

Firearms shall not be discharged in the following circumstances:

- 1. When lesser force can reasonably and effectively be used.
- 2. When there is an unreasonable risk of danger to bystanders.
- 3. As a warning to a suspect.
- 4. At or from a moving vehicle, except when a life-threatening situation requires immediate action in the form of deadly force.



# iii. Training

Sworn members of the SUDPS (Stanford University Department of Public Safety) who have attended and completed California Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) rifle course and received qualification are authorized to carry the AR-15 rifle.

# d. Expected Lifespan:

- i. **Colt AR-15 (.223/5.56mm)** No Expiration<sup>1</sup>
- ii. Speer .223 62-Grain Gold Dot No Expiration

# e. Fiscal Impact:

- i. Colt AR-15 (.223/5.56mm) Annual cost between \$0 \$2,000.
- ii. Speer .223 62-Grain Gold Dot Annual cost between \$0 \$15,000.

# 2. PROJECTILE LAUNCH PLATFORMS & ASSOCIATED MUNITIONS (CATEGORY 14):

### a. Quantity, Description, Capabilities, and Purchase Cost:

- i. **Defense Technology 40mm Launcher**; Cost: \$785/unit; Quantity: 8

  The Defense Technology 40mm Launcher is not a firearm but is a single-shot less lethal system that delivers 40mm munitions from a safe distance. The Less-Lethal launcher is capable of launching 40mm munitions at a subject up to 25 yards. The kinetic energy projectiles are designed to de-escalate a potentially violent situation without causing critical injuries where lethal force is prohibited or inadvisable.
- v. **Defense Technology 40mm Impact Sponge Baton**; Cost: \$29/unit; Quantity: 140 The Defense Technology 40mm impact sponge baton munition is designed to de-escalate a potentially violent situation without causing critical injuries where lethal force is prohibited or inadvisable.

### b. Purpose:

To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or inadvisable.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The weapon system in section i does not have an expiration date, but these will need to be serviced or replaced when an individual firearm fails or is damaged.



# c. Authorized Use and Training:

## i. Authorized Use

Less lethal munitions constitute greater force than the use of a baton, but lesser force than use of deadly force, when deployed to the areas of the subject's body unlikely to cause death or serious physical injury. Deputies may only use less lethal munitions when the use of force is reasonable to:

- 1. Prevent the commission of a public offense.
- 2. Prevent a person from injuring himself or herself.
- 3. Effect the lawful arrest or detention of persons resisting or attempting to evade that arrest or detention.
- 4. In self-defense or in the defense of another person.

Deputies may only use less lethal munitions, when permitted as described above, under the following circumstances:

- 1. When deadly force would be justified and the use of less lethal options would assist in enabling an arrest, restoring order and/or reducing the risk of more serious injury.
- 2. When necessary to use that level of force to take into custody persons who are armed with deadly weapons, either conventional or non-traditional, and where the use of deadly force is not justified.
- 3. When necessary to use that level of force to subdue armed individuals threatening suicide, and where the use of deadly force is not justified.
- 4. When necessary to use that level of force to subdue vicious animals.



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5. When lesser degrees of force have failed or cannot reasonably be used and the use of less lethal munitions is reasonable and necessary to prevent serious bodily injury or death to the deputies or to others.

# ii. Prohibited Use

Less lethal munitions shall not be used in the following circumstances:

- 1. If other proportional, reasonable and/or feasible force options are available.
- 2. To harass, intimidate, or discriminate against any individual or group.
- 3. To target a person based solely on individual characteristics, such as, but not limited to race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, disability, gender, or sexual orientation.
- 4. Chemical agents shall not be used to disperse any assembly, protest, or demonstration except if the use is objectively reasonable to defend against a threat to life or serious bodily injury to any individual, including any peace officer, or to bring an objectively dangerous and unlawful situation safely and effectively under control. Additional crowd control directives are discussed below.
- 5. For any reasons other than the Sheriff's, University and County business purposes identified in the authorized uses section of this policy.

## iii. Crowd Control Directives

Penal Code § 13652 mandates that Kinetic Energy Projectiles and Chemical Agents shall only be deployed for crowd control purposes by deputies who have received POST training for crowd control. Moreover, the use of such devices must be objectively reasonable to defend against a threat to life or serious bodily injury to any individual, including a deputy, or to bring an objectively dangerous and unlawful situation safely and effectively under control. The use of Kinetic Energy Projectiles and Chemical Agents in a crowd control setting must also be in accordance with the following requirements:

- 1. De-escalation techniques or other alternatives to force have been attempted, when objectively reasonable, and have failed.
- 2. Repeated, audible announcements are made announcing the intent to use kinetic energy projectiles and chemical agents and the type to be used, when objectively reasonable to do so. The announcements shall be made from various locations, if necessary, and delivered in multiple languages, if appropriate.



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- 3. Persons are given an objectively reasonable opportunity to disperse and leave the scene.
- 4. An objectively reasonable effort has been made to identify persons engaged in violent acts and those who are not, and kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents are targeted toward those individuals engaged in violent acts. Projectiles shall not be aimed indiscriminately into a crowd or group of persons.
- 5. Kinetic energy projectiles and chemical agents are used only with the frequency, intensity, and in a manner that is proportional to the threat and objectively reasonable.
- 6. Deputies shall minimize the possible incidental impact of their use of kinetic energy projectiles and chemical agents on bystanders, medical personnel, journalists, or other unintended targets.
- 7. An objectively reasonable effort has been made to extract individuals in distress.
- 8. Medical assistance is promptly provided, if properly trained personnel are present, or procured, for injured persons, when it is reasonable and safe to do.
- 9. Kinetic energy projectiles shall not be aimed at the head, neck, or any other vital organs.
- 10. Kinetic energy projectiles or chemical agents shall not be used by any law enforcement agency solely due to any of the following:
  - A. A violation of an imposed curfew.
  - B. A verbal threat.
  - C. Noncompliance with a law enforcement directive.
- 11. If the chemical agent to be deployed is tear gas, only a commanding officer at the scene of the assembly, protest, or demonstration may authorize the use of tear gas.

### iv. **Training**

A less lethal munition will only be used by sworn members of SUDPS who have been trained in its deployment and in a manner consistent with Department policy and training.



# d. Expected Lifespan:

- i. Defense Technology 40mm Launcher No Expiration<sup>2</sup>
- ii. Defense Technology 40mm Impact Sponge Baton − 3 years

# e. Fiscal Impact:

- i. Defense Technology 40mm Launcher Annual cost between \$0 \$1,500.
- ii. Defense Technology 40mm Impact Sponge Baton Annual cost between \$0 \$1,500.

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