

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

SPECIALTY PATCHES

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for wear of the Department issued specialty patches.

Policy Statement: Special assignment patches are authorized to be worn on the uniform for certain additional duty assignments. Only special assignment patches authorized by this Policy Directive may be worn.

Summary of Changes: Changes from General Order to Policy Directive. Adds Crisis Negotiation Unit and Special Response Team patches to Directive as authorized for wear.

Procedure:

1 Authorized Specialty Patches

- 1.1 Officers that are current members of special teams, or that work on special assignments are authorized to wear the official team or assignment patch (if one exists) on the uniform. Authorized patches are as follows:
- 1.1.1 SWAT Patch, worn on the right shoulder of the duty and dress uniform in lieu of the official Department patch;
 - 1.1.2 SRT Patch; worn on the right shoulder of the duty and dress uniform in lieu of the official Department patch;
 - 1.1.3 CNT Patch; worn on the right shoulder of the duty and dress uniform in lieu of the official Department patch;
 - 1.1.4 Honor Guard patch, worn on the right shoulder of the duty, dress, and honor guard uniform in lieu of the official Department patch; and
 - 1.1.5 K-9 Patch, worn over the right breast pocket on the Class D uniform. The K-9 patch will not be worn on any other uniform.

2 Process for Authorization of Patch

- 2.1 The following procedure will be followed when requesting authorization for specialty patches:
- 2.1.1 The proposed patch design must be approved by the Division Commander to which the specialty unit or assignment is attached.
 - 2.1.2 Forward the approved design and price quotes for production of the patch to the Chief of Police for final approval.
 - 2.1.3 Once the Chief of Police has approved the design, submit the artwork and price quotes to the Support Services Division Commander for production.
- 2.2 Once a new patch is approved, produced, and received for distribution, this Policy Directive will be amended to reflect the newly acquired patch, and will describe how it is to be worn.

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