

## 803 Duty Firearms

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#### 803.3.6 PERSONALLY OWNED RIFLES

Officers that meet the following criteria may be authorized to carry personally owned rifles while on-duty. Personally owned rifles are for the exclusive use of the weapon owner and will not be loaned or distributed for use to any other officer unless there is a bona fide emergency.

- (a) To carry a personally owned rifles, officers must:
  - 1. Receive approval through the chain-of-command up to the commander to carry the rifle; and
  - 2. Successfully complete the Department approved semiautomatic rifle course; and
  - 3. Meet requirements listed in the Department Approved Weapons and Ammunition List.
- (b) Officers must qualify with the rifle annually on a course designated by the Learned Skills unit.
- (c) Officers who fail a qualification or who have lost the approval of the chain-of-command will no longer be authorized to carry the rifle on-duty.
- (d) Officers authorized to carry a rifle on-duty will be subject to monthly inspection by an immediate supervisor.
- (e) The weapon must be carried in either a protective case or secured in the patrol vehicle weapon rack.
- (f) No ~~offensive~~-marking(s), stickers(s), engraving(s), etc., may be placed on the weapon with the exception of manufacturer identifiers (serial number, model number, etc.) and an employee's initials or employee number. This does not apply to Special Operations sniper rifles using camouflage/concealment designs. Any questions regarding if the image/ word(s) falls under offensive will be directed to the LSU Sergeant with the final determination being made by the LSU Lieutenant.
- (g) Short barrel rifles are approved for use on patrol. The requirements for the SBR are:
  - 1. 10.5" barrel length. (9.5" and a 1" flash suppressor does NOT meet the requirement, etc.)
  - 2. Silencers are not authorized.
  - 3. Officers shall carry only Department authorized ammunition. Officers shall not modify or alter any approved ammunition.
  - 4. Officers MUST possess the proper ATF tax stamp for that specific weapon. The tax stamp will be checked by LSU staff prior to an officer being approved to carry the SBR on duty.
  - 5. If an officer fails to provide the appropriate tax stamp, specific to the rifle they are possessing, the LSU Sergeant will be notified and a memorandum will be sent to the officer's chain of command as well as Internal Affairs.