EXECUTIVE ORDER



Subject: Transport of Patrol Rifles	
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Related To:

GO-RAR-901.01 (Handling of Service Weapons)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this executive order is to allow for the issuance of Department patrol rifle bags. Department-issued patrol rifles will now be authorized to be transported in the trunk of Department sedan vehicles in an issued rifle bag.

II. PROCEDURES

A. When assigning a member a patrol rifle, the patrol rifle liaison official shall record when a patrol rifle bag is issued to a member in the Patrol Rifle Logbook.

B. Transport

- If the vehicle does not contain an approved vehicle locking device for the patrol rifle, members may transport the issued patrol rifle in a Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) issued patrol rifle bag.
 - a. If a patrol rifle is carried in a rifle bag, the member shall transport the rifle in the trunk of an MPD sedan vehicle.
 - b. <u>Members shall not transport patrol rifles in a rifle bag in an</u>
 MPD sport utility vehicle (SUV) or non-MPD vehicle.
 - c. Prior to placing the weapon in an MPD issued patrol rifle bag, members shall conduct a safety check to ensure the rifle is in the following condition:
 - (1) The chamber is empty;
 - (2) The bolt is forward;
 - (3) The selector lever is set on "safe"; and

- (4) The magazine well is empty.
- d. Members shall store the fully loaded magazine in the front pocket of the rifle bag.
- C. Members shall continue to follow procedures outlined in GO-RAR-901.01 (Handling Service Weapons).

III. CROSS REFERENCES

A. GO-RAR-901.01 (Handling Service Weapons)

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