

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Military Equipment Annual Report & Renewal

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Presentation Overview

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Recap of Assembly Bill 481 (AB 481)

Military Equipment Definition

Military Equipment Categories

Requirements of Annual Review



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- AB 481 became Effective January 1, 2022, and created Govt. Code 7070 et seq.
- Adopted policy on June 20, 2022
- Ensures there are safeguards, including transparency, oversight, and accountability measures in place, for the equipment in use
- The primary purpose of the equipment is for de-escalation and preservation of life
- AB 481 requirements:
 - > Law enforcement agencies to obtain approval from the governing body related to funding, acquisition, or use of military or military-style equipment
 - Adoption of a military equipment use policy by ordinance
 - Annual reporting of military type of equipment
 - > Post policy on the agency's website for as long as the military equipment is available for use



Military Equipment Definition

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- Equipment includes:
 - Items that are "military" style equipment per Government Code 7070
 - Any surplus equipment received from the Department of Defense / Military
- Equipment considered industry standard or tools of the trade
- Majority of equipment is considered non-lethal equipment
- Designed to ensure public safety:
 - De-escalate violent incidents
 - Minimize the use of lethal force
 - Reduce injury to either suspects or officers
- Most equipment sourced through direct purchases and seizures
- Items are <u>rarely used</u>, but available if necessary for officers to provide for public safety



Military Equipment Categories

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Military Equipment Categories: (16 Total identified categories – 9 Types in Pasadena)

- 1. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles
 - Tactical Robot
 - Unmanned Aerial System
- 2. Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers
 - BearCat Armored Rescue Vehicles
- 5. Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units
 - Mobile Command Post
 - Mobile Operations Center
- 7. Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature
 - Lock defeating/breaching shotgun rounds
- 8. Firearms of .50 caliber or greater Specifically Excludes shotguns
 - .50 caliber precision rifle





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Military Equipment Categories (cont.):

- 9. Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater Specifically Excludes shotgun rounds
 - .50 caliber ammunition
- 12. Flashbangs and explosive breaching tools, "tear gas," and "pepper balls," (excludes standard handheld pepper spray)
 - Flashbang Distraction Devices
 - Chemical Agents (CS & OC)
 - PepperBall Launcher and rounds PAVA Powder
- 14. Projectile launch platforms and associated munitions
 - 40mm launchers (both single and multi-launchers)
 - 40mm impact munitions
- 16. Equipment controlled by the Federal Defense Logistics Agency
 - Helicopters





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Per Government Code 7072(a):

- (1) A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use
- (2) A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the military equipment
- (3) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military equipment use policy, and actions taken in response
- (4) The total annual cost for each type of military equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs
- (5) The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment
- (6) Intent to acquire additional military equipment in the next year





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QUESTIONS?

