

	UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY POLICE DEPARTMENT SPECIAL ORDER NO. 11		
	URBAN PATROL RIFLE	EFFECTIVE DATE 07/25/03	REVISED/REVIEWED DATE 12/10/14
	CALEA STANDARDS	KACP STANDARDS 1.9, 1.10	

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to establish departmental policy regarding the standards and requirements for Urban Patrol Rifles (UPR) that will be used and deployed by sworn officers of the University of Kentucky Police Department (UKPD) in active shooter and other deadly force situations.

II. POLICY

It shall be the policy of UKPD to ensure that all authorized sworn personnel who have been selected to deploy UPR receive and understand the use of force policy before being authorized to carry a UPR. It shall be the policy of the UKPD that all officers selected shall demonstrate proficiency with this weapon.

III. PROCEDURE

A. The approved UPR will be of the AR-15 type in caliber .223. This is a gas operated semi-automatic rifle or piston operated. The rifle may have a 16 to 20 inch barrel and must meet all National Firearms Act (NFA) regulations. The rifle shall be equipped with a tactical sling and have a light installed that may be operated by the support hand without having to remove it from the weapon. The weapon may have a red dot scope or optical sights that are approved by the firearms training supervisor. No additional equipment or modifications will be authorized unless approved and inspected prior to deployment by the firearms training supervisor.

1. All UPRs must be inspected by the department armorer before being approved.
2. All UPRs will have 3 magazines of either 20 or 30 round capacity.
3. UPRs must have a case that will protect and conceal the weapon.
4. The UPR will be maintained by the officer and it is his/her responsibility to maintain it in condition for immediate use.
5. The UPR will be secured in the patrol vehicle's weapon rack as outlined in Attachment 1 (Mount Instructions). At the beginning of the each shift and at the end of each shift, while transporting the UPR to and from the patrol vehicle the UPR will be concealed in an approved weapon's case.
6. Fifty-five grain, soft point ammunition will be issued by the department for on duty purposes.

B. The weapon will be deployed only under the following conditions:

1. During an active shooter situation where a subject is known to be armed and is in the act of deadly aggressive behavior.
2. When faced with a subject who the officer reasonably believes to be armed or has threatened the use of a deadly weapon.
3. In a hostage situation where an extended perimeter must be set up to protect the hostage and non-involved persons prior to arrival of Lexington's Emergency Response Unit.
4. When the officer can reasonably articulate the need for the deployment of the UPR. For example, when

faced with a potentially deadly force situation where the deployment of the UPR would offer the officers more advantage than deploying the duty pistol.

5. When deployed, all officers will carry the UPR in the slung position (tactical sling draped either across the officer's shoulder or neck and carried in a low ready position until use is necessary.) At no time will the UPR be carried utilizing the carrying handle.

C. Authorized officers shall be selected based on proven marksmanship ability, demonstrated decision making ability, maturity level, and demonstrated behavior in high stress situations. Officers will be selected by the firearms training supervisor, through the chain of command, and approved by the Chief of Police. Officers shall attend all required training and successfully complete all training as outlined in Special Order 3, Firearms Qualification and Range Procedures, as well as follow procedures outlined in Attachment 1 of this order.

D. All UPRs carried in the vehicle's weapon rack will be inserted in the rack in "Cruiser Ready" mode. Cruiser Ready is defined as: No round in the chamber, bolt forward, dust cover closed, weapon on safe, and magazine inserted. All rifles will be prepared/inspected in this order prior to inserting into vehicle weapons rack by the officer.

E. Rack procedures are to be followed and utilized at all times as outlined in Attachment 1. All officers will utilize the electric release button at all times when operating the rack's locking system. The key tumbler is an override only and at no point should the tumbler be in the out position. It must always be in the locked position.

By order of



CHIEF OF POLICE