

**LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT
FIREARMS AND TACTICS SECTION
APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED HANDGUNS
May 22, 2024**

Personnel, who were issued a revolver when initially hired, are only authorized to carry a revolver, unless they have successfully completed the Department's Semi-Automatic Pistol Transition Course. All revolvers must be double action only, by design, or as modified by a Department Armorer.

Personnel, who were issued a Beretta pistol when initially hired, are only authorized to carry a Beretta or Smith and Wesson, semi-automatic decocker type pistol, as their primary duty weapon. However, they may also carry a Glock, Smith and Wesson M&P or 1911 pistol if they have successfully completed the Department's Striker Fired Pistol Course or 1911 Transition Course.

Personnel, who were issued a Glock pistol when initially hired, are only authorized to carry Glock semi-automatic pistols. These Officers may also carry a Smith and Wesson or Beretta semi-automatic decocker type pistol if they have successfully completed the Department's Double Action Semi-Automatic Pistol School (Decocker School). They may also carry a 1911 pistol if they have successfully completed the Department's 1911 Transition Course. Officers who are authorized to carry a Glock pistol may transition to a Smith and Wesson M&P pistol by completing the Smith and Wesson M&P Care and Cleaning Course.

All personnel, who were originally trained with a semi-automatic pistol (Glock or Beretta), may also carry a revolver as a back-up or off-duty firearm, if they have successfully completed the Back-up Firearms Course. This course is usually completed during initial Academy training.

All personnel may carry 9 mm, 40 S&W, or .45 ACP caliber pistols, in those weapons systems that they have been trained and certified to use. The protocol to change calibers requires one successful qualification followed by an inspection of the pistol by a Department Armorer.

Handguns defined as Primary Weapons may also be carried as plain clothes, off-duty, or back-up firearms. Personnel are reminded that off-duty and back-up firearms must be concealed. Under no circumstances may a .380 back-up pistol be carried as a primary weapon.

Personnel, who have attended the Pistol with Attached Light (PWAL) training, are authorized to attach an approved lighting system to any approved pistol with an integrated light rail. Pistols utilizing a light must be originally manufactured with a rail. Aftermarket rail attachment systems are not authorized and will not be installed by the Department Armory. A Department approved holster must be utilized in conjunction with the PWAL.

Any questions or concerns regarding this notice may be referred to Sergeant (?), Firearms Training Section, In-Service Training, Training Division at (?).

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**PRIMARY WEAPONS – UNIFORM
SEMI-AUTOMATICS**

	9 mm	40 S&W	.45 ACP
Beretta	Model M9 Model M9A1 Model 92F Model 92FS Model 92FS – SS Model 92 SBF Model 92 Brigadier Model 92 Brigadier Inox Model 92F Centurion Model 92FS Inox Model 92 VERTEC Model 92A1 Model 92A2	Model 96F Model 92FS Model 96 Black Inox Model 96 Brigadier Model 96F Centurion Model 96 VERTEC Model 96 VERTEC Inox Model 96A1	Model 8045 (4”BBL)
FN America:	Model 509 MRD-LE Model 509 F MRD-LE Model 509 M MRD-LE		
Glock:	Model 17 Model 17L Model 19 Model 34 Model 45 Model 47	Model 22 Model 23 Model 24 Model 35	Model 21 Model 21 SF Model 41
Smith and Wesson:	Model 459 Model 5903 Model 5903 TSW Model 5904 Model 5906 Model 5906 TSW Model 659 Model M&P9 (Black) Model M&P9L (Black) Model M&P9 PRO (Black)	Model 4003 Model 4003 TSW Model 4006 (4” BBL) Model 4006 TSW Model M&P40 (Black) Model M&P40L (Black) Model M&P 40 PRO (Black)	Model 4506 Model 4563 TSW Model 4566 Model 4566 TSW Model 4567 Model 645 Model M&P45 (4” or 4.5”, Black)

**PRIMARY WEAPONS – UNIFORM
REVOLVERS (.38 Special Only)**

Smith and Wesson:	Model 10	4” or 6”	Blue Steel
	Model 14	4”, 5”, or 6”	Blue Steel
	Model 15	4”, 5”, or 6”	Blue Steel
	Model 64	4” or 6”	Stainless Steel

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Model 67	4"	Stainless Steel
Model 68	6"	Stainless Steel

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**PRIMARY WEAPONS – UNIFORM
1911'S**

Approved Manufacturers:	Colt Kimber Springfield Armory Dan Wesson Wilson Combat Sig Sauer	1911 Full size, Compact, and Subcompact Models
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2011'S

Approved Manufacturers:	STI Staccato	2011 Full size, Compact, and Subcompact Models
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APPROVED FEATURES

The pistols manufactured by Colt, Kimber, Springfield Armor, Dan Wesson, Wilson Combat, Sig Sauer and STI/Staccato meet these minimum requirements in a 1911/2011 style pistol. This list intentionally does not specify any models due to manufacturers changing/updating them frequently. These specifications allow for changes made by the manufacturers to keep up with the retail markets. Pistols need not be on the California's Department of Justice civilian approved handgun list although they must be available to police officers in the State of California for purchase and use.

Caliber:	9 mm, 40 S&W, and .45 ACP
Frame Material:	Steel, Aluminum or Titanium
Finish:	Blue Steel or Black, Dark Gray, Satin Brushed Stainless Steel, Hard Chrome or any combination of above. No high luster or Nickel Finishes.

Effective July 1, 2018, dark tan, dark olive drab in color firearms will no longer be added to the FITS system. If you currently possess a dark tan, or dark olive drab 1911 registered in FITS that pistol is grandfathered in but cannot be transferred to another user in FITS

Accessory Rail:	If present, must be part of the lower receiver/frame.
Slide Serrations:	Rear slide serrations required. May have front slide serrations.
Sights:	Combat style fixed or adjustable with or without Tritium or Fiber Optic inserts. Fiber Optic sights must be from an approved manufacturer. No Standard Military Sights.
Barrel Lengths:	Duty Pistol: 4" – 5 ½" Off-duty and Backup Pistols: No shorter than 3"
Barrel:	Conventional or Bull Barrel taper. No porting. Integral barrel compensators made from the factory without the use of barrel threading are authorized.
Barrel Rifling:	Conventional

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- Guide Rod:** Conventional or full length, one or two-piece, non-polymer construction. Dual recoil spring assemblies are authorized.
- Trigger:** Steel, Aluminum, Polymer or Titanium. Trigger weight shall not be less than 3 ½ pounds.
- Checkering:** May have checkering, stippling or other tactical surfaces on the front strap, mainspring housing or on the trigger guard.
- Thumb Safety:** May be a single or ambidextrous in either standard or extended lengths.
- Grip Safety:** Functional enhance/extended style with or without memory pad.
- Magazine Release Button:** Conventional or tactical size. No oversized competition style releases.
- Magazine Well:** Beveled
- Magazines:** Must have a metal tube/body. Magazines should be flush fitting, or with only the base pad protruding from the pistol grip.
- 2011 magazines must be STI factory original magazines. Base pads shall not add capacity.
- 10 round 1911 .45 ACP or other extended magazines are authorized for reloads only unless authorized by the relevant commanding officer.
- Magazine Funnel/Extension:** One- or two-piece steel or aluminum construction.
- Stocks:** Black, Brown, Gray, in color. May be made of wood, synthetics, and composite or rubber materials.

ADDITIONAL WEAPONS NON-UNIFORM

(On-duty plainclothes or off-duty use)

SEMI-AUTOMATICS

	9 mm	40 S&W	.45 ACP
Beretta:	Model 92F Compact Model 92 FS Compact Model 92FS Compact Inox Model 92FM Compact Model 92FM Compact Inox Model 92FS Compact Model 8000 Cougar F Model 8000 Mini Cougar	Model 96F Compact Model 96F Compact Inox	Model 8045 * (3 ½" BBL)
Glock:	Model 26 ** Model 43X Model 48	Model 27 **	Model 30 ** Model 30S ** Model 30SF ** Model 36 ** Model 36S
Smith and Wesson:	Model 3904 Model 3906 Model 3906 TSW Model 3913	Model 4006 (3 ½ BBL) Model 4013 Model 4013 TSW Model 4014	Model 4513 TSW Model 4516 Model 457 Model 457S

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Model 3913 TSW	Model CS40	Model CS45
Model 3913 LS	Model M&P40C	Model M&P45C
Model 3914		Model M&P 45 Shield
Model 3914 TSW		
Model 439		
Model 639		
Model 469		
Model 669		
Model 6904		
Model 6906		
Model 908		
Model 908S		
Model 910		
Model CS9		
Model M&P9C		

Sig Sauer: Model P365
Model P365XL
Model P365 XMacro Comp

* 4” Barreled Compact Berettas are also approved for Uniform carry.

** Subcompact Glock pistols may be carried as a primary weapon in plainclothes, however they must be equipped with a magazine with; an enlarged base/floor plate, an extended capacity magazine, or a full-size magazine, to improve the gripping surface. Only enlarged base/floor plates manufactured by Glock, Pearce or Scherer are authorized. Only Glock manufactured, expanded capacity magazine base/floor plates which add one or two rounds to the subcompact magazine capacity are authorized. Full capacity Glock magazines may also be used with the subcompact Glock models, however the magazine in the pistol must be equipped with a sleeve, if carried in a holster in that condition.

ADDITIONAL WEAPONS NON-UNIFORM

(On-duty back-up or off-duty use)

SEMI-AUTOMATICS (.380 ACP Caliber & 9mm)

Ruger: Model LCP
Model LCP II

Smith and Wesson:	Model M&P Bodyguard	LAPD SKU NO. 151059 (shaved thumb safety)
	Model M&P Bodyguard	SKU NO. 10266
	Model M&P 9 Shield	(no thumb safety)

Glock: Model 42 (.380)
Model 43 (9mm)

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NOTE: Approved .380 ACP Ammunition: Speer Lawman, .380 ACP, 95 grain, Full Metal Jacket, Model No. 53608

REVOLVERS

(Approved .38 Special Only)

Smith and Wesson:	Model 10	2" or 3"
	Model 15	2"
	Model 36	2" or 3"
	Model 36LS	2" or 3"
	Model 60	2" or 3"
	Model 60LS	2" or 3"
	Model 60 Pro Series	3"
	Model 40	
	Model 49	
	Model 337	
	Model 337 PD	
	Model 342	
	Model 342 PD	
	Model M&P 342	
	Model M&P 360	
	Model 438	
	Model 442	
	Model 637	
	Model 638	
	Model 640	
	Model 642	
	Model 642 LS	
	Model 649	

Colt: Detective Special
Cobra (DAO)

Only 2" barrel; No Air weights
No Pre-1955 Models

Ruger: LCR

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GENERAL HANDGUN SPECIFICATIONS

1. Ported barrels are not authorized.
2. Combat grip that are; black, brown, or grey in color, with no additional ornamentation other than a factory installed medallion or logo are authorized.
3. Slip-on style grip sleeves that are not pinned in place are not authorized.
4. Combat style, fixed or adjustable steel sights, with or without tritium inserts, are authorized. Dedicated target sights and/or sight ribs are not authorized. With the exception of Glock factory sights, plastic sights are not authorized. Only steel fiber optic combat sights are authorized.
5. Handguns may have a black, black/blue or satin brushed steel finish. High luster nickel or polished stainless steel type finishes are not authorized.
6. All previously authorized generations of Glock pistols, as well as generation 3 Rough Texture Finish (RTF) models and generation 4, and 5 pistols, are now authorized. Interchangeable back straps for the Glock generation 4, and 5 pistols must be changed by a Department Armorer.
7. Oversized Glock manufactured slide lock levers and magazine release buttons are authorized for the 9 mm and 40 S&W caliber Glock pistols. Glock does not manufacture and oversized slide lock lever and magazine release button for the .45 ACP caliber models. Aftermarket slide lock levers and magazine release buttons are not authorized.
8. Only Smith and Wesson brand magazines are authorized for use with Smith and Wesson pistols.
9. Only Glock manufactured "Drop Free" magazines (square notched at back, top of magazine) are authorized. No Glock magazines that have a capacity larger than 17 rounds are authorized for wear on a duty equipment belt. Larger capacity magazines (i.e. 33 round, 9 mm magazines) for any approved pistol may be carried in an approved, tactical load bearing vest or equipment bag for use in an unusual occurrences (i.e. MACTAC).
10. MecGar brand magazines for Berettas are authorized for Department use. This includes the 17 and 18 round 9 mm magazines for the 92 series pistols and the 13 round 40 S&W magazines for the 96 series pistols.
11. Speed loaders and speed strips are authorized for use with revolvers.
12. All firearms must be inspected and approved by a Department Armorer, in accordance with LAPD Manual Section 3/610.20.
13. Smith and Wesson M&P pistols shall not have a magazine disconnect or a manual thumb safety.
14. All striker fired pistols shall have a trigger weight of between 4 and 7 pounds, as per Department specification.
15. Pistol Mounted Optic (PMO) capable pistols are authorized for Department use. Currently authorized pistols with slides originally manufactured by the factory to mount optics may be used with a Department authorized optic installed, and after successfully completing the Department's PMO Operator's school.

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16. Pistols equipped with optics shall have authorized back up iron sights installed, with the rear sight mounted behind the optic.