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Mendota Police Department Firearms Qualification

The Mendota Police Department firearms qualification course follows the guidelines as required per California Peace Officers Standards and Training (POST).

Officers of the Mendota Police Department must demonstrate to the Department Range Master; firearm handling proficiency, shooting accuracy, safety, and competency in basic shooting principles. Officers will do so when deploying their department issued handgun, shotgun, and patrol rifle while wearing issued body armor and duty equipment.

Officers are required to qualify with each firearm from a variety of distances with a set number of rounds for the specific course of fire as established by the Department Range Master. Scheduling of firearms qualification varies to account for lighting conditions.

Officers are required to identify targets/threats and engage them appropriately while conducting tactical ammunition reloading.

Officers authorized to carry personal firearms are required to qualify as described above.

Officers must score a minimum of 80% or higher in target accuracy with each firearm to qualify with that specific weapon.