



FIREARMS TRAINING STANDARD PA006

AUTHORITY

California Penal Code 13601(a)(1): The CPOST shall develop, approve, and monitor standards for the selection and training of state correctional peace officer apprentices.

BACKGROUND

All Parole Agents (PAs) hired after January 1, 1988, shall be armed while on-duty and issued a firearm upon successful completion of the Basic Parole Agent Academy (BPAA) or a departmentally approved firearms training course. PAs appointed prior to January 1, 1988 shall have the discretion to be armed while on-duty.

All PAs shall be able to perform their duties utilizing sound judgement in order to maintain staff safety and protect the public. PAs are responsible to keep their firearm well maintained and in good working order. When on duty, PAs shall have in their possession the required safety equipment in addition to their firearm when required.

STANDARD

PAs shall initially complete Penal Code 832 training or a Division approved firearms course. PAs shall requalify quarterly on approved weapons (firearms) and receive annual firearms training.

COMPONENTS OF STANDARD

To successfully complete the firearms training, PAs shall:

1. Recognize safety as a top priority in all firearms training
2. Receive training on safety equipment and protocols in the use of a firearm
3. Receive training on the limitations an agent may encounter during diminished light/night time conditions
4. Receive training on static and dynamic conditions, including weapons malfunction scenarios

5. Receive training on when to write a detailed synopsis of occurrence for when a firearm is discharged outside of a training venue, record the information on the appropriate reporting forms, and understand the required reporting protocols

CITATIONS

- 1) California Law, Penal Code Section 832, 835(a)
- 2) California Law, Penal Code 13510
- 3) Chapter 8, Article 46, 86010.11 Parole Agent Arming
- 4) DOM Chapter 8, Article 46, 86010.3 Parole Agent Firearm
- 5) Peace Officers and Standards of Training, Learning Domain 35: Firearms
- 6) CPOST General Training Standard GS001 - KSA Standards