

Louisville Metro Police Department

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4.7 CLASS E UNIFORM

4.7.1 DEFINITION

The Class E uniform is an optional uniform that is worn by any departmentally-certified Bicycle and Electronic Standup Vehicle (ESV) or All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) officer, who is serving in such capacity, with prior approval of the Chief of Police, or their designee. All Class E uniform items will be in accordance with the current Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) uniform contract specifications, which can be found on the LMPD Intranet. Click on the "Research and Development" button, click on the "Other Information" link, and double click on the "Uniform Contracts" folder.

4.7.2 UTILITY CAP

- Will be a navy blue, baseball-type cap.
- The Metro Police patch will be embroidered on the front and the word "POLICE" will be embroidered on the back. Lettering will be white for officers and gold for commanding officers.
- Will be worn with the bill facing forward at all times.

4.7.3 SHIRTS

- Navy polo shirt.
- Officers will have a silver badge and commanding officers will have a gold badge embroidered on the left breast area.
- The member's first initial and last name will be embroidered on the right breast area. Lettering will be white for officers and gold for commanding officers.
- Standard shoulder patches will be worn on each sleeve. The patch will be centered on the shoulder, ½ inch below the top shoulder seam.
- "METRO POLICE" will be printed in reflective lettering, centered on the back of the shirt.
- A white t-shirt or mock turtleneck may be worn under the shirt.

4.7.4 PANTS/SHORTS

- Navy cycling pants or bike shorts made of the approved material and design.
- Class B uniform pants or Class C uniform shorts may also be worn.

4.7.5 SOCKS

- Must be low-cut cotton and black or navy in color.

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4.7.6 FOOTWEAR

- Solid black athletic shoes.
- Shoes must be clean and free of tears or damage.

4.7.7 INNER BELT

- Black in color and made of the approved material.
- Must be worn under the gun belt, attached by belt keepers.

4.7.8 GUN BELT

- Black nylon web gear.
- Accessories must be the same style.

4.7.9 GUN BELT ACCESSORIES

Gun belt accessories will be organized based on the preference of the individual officer. Gun belt accessories include:

- A maximum of one (1) double or triple magazine pouch, containing fully-loaded magazines.
- Departmentally-approved uniform holster (refer to SOP 4.13).
- Departmentally-approved uniform pistol (refer to SOP 4.13).
- Departmentally-approved handcuffs and case. Handcuffs will be either black in color or silver, chrome, or other natural colors of metal. Any other colors, excluding handcuffs that have been altered in color by the department, will not be used while on-duty or off-duty.
- Departmentally-approved Conducted Electrical Weapon (CEW) and one (1) spare cartridge (optional for members assigned to plainclothes units and commanding officers with the rank of lieutenant or above).
- Departmentally-approved CEW holster, if applicable. The CEW holster will be positioned on the opposite side of the belt from the firearm.
- Minimum of three (3) belt keepers.
- Departmentally-approved radio case.
- Departmentally-approved mini flashlight and case.

In addition, uniformed officers must wear a departmentally-approved impact weapon and/or Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray as intermediate weapons. If one is not carried, it must be readily available. The following are departmentally-approved impact weapons:

- Standard baton. The baton will be black, with the length no less than 20 inches or more than 24 inches. The baton diameter will be no less than 1½ inches or more than 1¾ inches.
- ASP expandable baton and holder.
- Monadnock expandable baton and holder.

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4.7.9 GUN BELT ACCESSORIES (CONTINUED)

- Rapid Containment Expandable Baton (RCB) (21 inches in length) and holder.

Officers may wear one (1) patrol rifle magazine in a soft or hard pouch, black in color, and a departmentally-approved tourniquet and hard case, black in color, as optional gun belt accessories. Officers may wear their patrol rifle magazine in a soft or hard pouch, black in color, as an optional external vest accessory instead of on their gun belt.

4.7.10 JACKET

- Light navy over dark navy cycling jacket (bolero type).

4.7.11 OPTIONAL PACKABLE RAIN JACKET

- Royal blue in color with LMPD patches embroidered on each sleeve.
- Officers will have a silver badge and commanding officers will have a gold badge embroidered on the left breast area.
- "POLICE" will be printed in reflective lettering on the right breast.
- "METRO POLICE" will be printed in reflective lettering, centered on the back of the jacket.

4.7.12 SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- Prescription or wrap-around polycarbonate protective eyewear.
- Black protective helmet with "POLICE" printed in white lettering.
- Black cycling gloves.

4.7.13 OPTIONAL SWEATSHIRT

- Navy blue, pullover sweatshirt made of the approved material and design.
- Officers will have a silver badge and commanding officers will have a gold badge embroidered on the left breast area.
- The member's first initial and last name will be embroidered on the right breast area. The lettering will be white for officers and gold for commanding officers.
- "METRO POLICE" will be printed in reflective lettering, centered on the back of the sweatshirt.
- Standard shoulder patches will be worn on each sleeve. The patch will be centered on the shoulder, ½ inch below the top shoulder seam.

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4.7.14 ALTERNATE BODY ARMOR CARRIER

The following body armor carrier is an optional Class E uniform item that may be purchased by officers:

- Mocean External Vest Carrier (refer to SOP 4.11).