

ACCESSORY EQUIPMENT STANDARDS
(February 2002)

9457

The following standards have been adopted for accessory equipment worn by CDF peace officers.

UNIFORM
(No.23 July 2014)

9457.1

BODY ARMOR - The Department will provide soft body armor to all weapons carrying peace officers. Department peace officers are required to wear body armor whenever they are in uniform and armed.

An officer can purchase (with personal funds) and wear body armor that meets or exceeds the Department standard.

Leather - All leather to be black basket weave, and matching design.

Nylon Web Gear - Comparably designed black nylon web gear (Sam Browne Style) may be substituted for leather items while in the work uniform

Belt – Sam Browne type (no shoulder strap), 2-1/4" wide. Sam Brown type belts will be worn over the uniform belt used to support trousers and will be kept in position with leather keepers.

Badge – While “under arms” (weapon carrying in uniform) CDF peace officers are authorized to wear their appropriate Department peace officer badge in place of the standard shield badge. Arson Investigation Unit (AIU) badges are NOT AUTHORIZED on the CDF uniform.

Hat – Only CDF approved hats or covers will be worn with the applicable uniforms.

Holster - Revolver or semiautomatic pistol, inside thumb snap safety strap or high ride styles of good quality and commercially made.

Border patrol, breakfront, swivel or clamshell holsters are not allowed for use.

Handcuffs - Handcuffs - Chain handcuff, steel construction, nickel plated or black in color, double locking engaging pin which utilizes a standard handcuff key. Oversized handcuffs are available for use at the discretion of the individual officer based on the circumstances and the size of the suspect(s) wrists.

Handcuff case - Covered.

Ammunition Holder - speed loader pouch or, for semiautomatic pistol, double magazine capacity with cover flaps.

Other Accessories – Accessories will be made of material matching the belt design.

CIVILIAN ATTIRE/ADMINISTRATIVE UNIFORM
(February 2002)

9457.2

Holster – Civilian Attire: Must hold weapon securely with fastener and allow the officer to holster the weapon with one hand. This includes the use of fanny packs which meet the above the above criteria. Shoulder holsters will provide for the barrel to be a "horizontal system." Belt level cross-draw and soft-sided inside the waistband holsters are not authorized.

- Administrative Uniform: Leather basket weave to match standard uniform belt.

Handcuff Case - Covered or open.

- Administrative Uniform: Leather basket weave to match standard uniform belt.

Ammunition Holder - Minimum six round capacity for revolver or single magazine for semi-automatic pistol.

- Administrative Uniform: Leather basket weave to match standard uniform belt.

Badge - Civilian Attire, a CDF peace officer will wear their Department issued shield or appropriate peace officer badge adjacent to their weapon, unless it will jeopardize the officer's safety.

- Administrative Uniform: While "under arms" CDF peace officers are authorized to wear their appropriate Department peace officer badge in place of the standard shield badge.

Departmental Tactical Vest – The tactical vest is intended for quick law enforcement response while in uniform or civilian attire. It is also intended for law enforcement actions where officer safety and Department identification is needed. It is not intended to be worn over the uniform shirt on a regular basis. The tactical vest will be blue (LAPD Blue) in color with Department identification as per the uniform policy.

OTHER APPROVED OUTERWEAR
(February 2002)

9457.3

The following sections are guidelines that will either reside within this handbook and/or within the Department's Uniform Policy (1000 Personnel Procedures Handbook).

Departmental Windbreaker – This clothing is optional at the employee’s expense. While in civilian attire an employee may wear a blue (LAPD Blue) windbreaker, with Department identification as per the following:

- A. Front left - Department logo or peace officer badge (sworn officers only). The peace officer badge shall be the approved embroidered badge.
- B. Front right – block letters in yellow (1 ½” high by ¼” stroke) CDF or SFM, as per assigned position.
- C. Back – block letters in yellow (2 ½” high by ½” stroke) centered either CDF Law Enforcement or State Fire Marshal, as per assigned position.

NOTE: Logos and Departmental identification used in A, B and C shall be consistent on the windbreaker.

Departmental Tactical Vest – The tactical vest is intended for immediate law enforcement response while in uniform or civilian attire. It is also intended for law enforcement actions where officer safety and Department identification is needed. It is not intended to be worn over the uniform shirt on a regular basis. The tactical vest will be blue (LAPD Blue) in color with Department identification as per the following:

- A. Front left - Peace officer badge. The peace officer badge shall be the approved embroidered badge.
- B. Front right – block embroidered letters “employee’s first initial and last name” in yellow (¾” high by 1/8” stroke).
- C. Back – block embroidered letters “CDF Law Enforcement” in yellow (2 ½” high by ½” stroke) centered either.

Departmental Identification Camouflage – This is optional clothing for Department peace officers at the employee’s expense. When practical, the Department will pursue obtaining camouflage clothing through federal excess. While engaged in a law enforcement operation or appropriate training, an employee may wear camouflage clothing that identifies the officer as a CDF peace officer. The Department identification will consist as per the following:

- A. Front left - Peace officer badge. The peace officer badge shall be the approved embroidered badge, with black lettering and olive green or tan background to match the color of the camouflage.
- B. Front right – block embroidered letters “employee’s first initial and last name” in black (¾” high by 1/8” stroke) with an olive green or tan background, to match color of camouflage.
- C. Back – block embroidered letters “CDF Law Enforcement” in black (2 ½” high by ½” stroke) with an olive green or tan background, to match color of camouflage.

Departmental Law Enforcement Utility Clothing –This is optional clothing for Department peace officers at the employee’s expense. When it is appropriate, it may be worn while engaged in a law enforcement activity. It may also be worn for law enforcement training where physical activity will occur such as range qualifications, defensive tactics, surveillance, or officer safety. It is not intended for regular daily use in lieu of the work uniform.

The utility uniform will not be worn on any fire or related incident where Department Personal Protection Equipment is required. After a fire incident is under control, the utility uniform may be worn with the incident commanders approval.

The Department identification will consist as per the following:

BDU Blue (LAPD Blue or equivalent)

- A. Front left – Peace officer badge. The peace officer badge shall be the approved embroidered badge.
- B. Front right – Block embroidered letters “employee’s first initial and last name” in yellow (3/4” high by 1/8” stroke).
- C. Back – Block embroidered letters “CDF Law Enforcement” in yellow (2 ½” high by ½” stroke).
- D. Shoulders – CDF patch on each sleeve.

[\(see next section\)](#)

[\(see HB Table of Contents\)](#)

[\(see Forms or Forms Samples\)](#)