

U.S. Department of Energy
Washington, D.C.

NOTICE

DOE N 473.2

Approved: 03-02-00

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SUBJECT: STANDARDIZATION OF FIREARMS

1. OBJECTIVE. To establish Department of Energy (DOE) requirements for the standardization of firearms and limitations of firearms inventories maintained in support of safeguards and security activities.
2. CANCELLATION. None.
3. APPLICABILITY.
 - a. DOE Elements. The requirements in this Notice apply to DOE elements that use or store firearms associated with safeguards and security activities.
 - b. Contractors. The Contractor Requirements Document (CRD), Attachment 1, sets forth the requirements that apply to all contracts that the Head of the Field Element determines involve the need for acquiring firearms for use by on-duty protective forces. Contractor compliance with the CRD will be required to the extent set forth in its contract. Heads of Field Elements are to apply these requirements to all affected new contracts. Heads of Field Elements are to apply these requirements to all affected existing contracts as soon as possible but in no event later than six months after the effective date of this Order.
 - c. Exclusions. Consistent with the responsibilities identified in Executive Order 12344, the Director of the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program will determine the applicability of this Notice for activities and facilities under his control.
4. REQUIREMENTS.
 - a. Standardization of firearms is required to increase the efficiency of standard and centralized training and enhance inter site assistance in the event of a security incident or other situation requiring supplemental or replacement forces. Additionally, Presidential Decision Directive 39, U.S. Policy for Counterterrorism, requires that Federal agencies prepare for interagency response to a terrorist event. Compatibility of firearms between the DOE and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), who have ultimate authority for resolution and investigation of terrorist and other criminal acts committed against DOE facilities and assets in transport, will aid in the efficient transition of responsibility in a terrorist or other criminal event. To identify firearms requirements, an assessment was conducted of the firearms in use across the DOE complex and those currently used by the FBI.

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In addition, the Department identified the firearm requirements of other Federal agencies with similar needs. DOE analyzed these requirements and determined they are consistent with our own and the additional desire for compatibility with the FBI. These requirements were also coordinated with affected DOE program and field organizations. DOE then identified qualified sources that can fulfill our standardization requirements under contracts awarded through full and open competition by other Federal agencies, e.g., FBI, an Department of Defense, and etc. DOE has identified sources of equipment which meet Departmental requirements, are compatible with firearms utilized by the FBI where practicable and are available through the use of contracts awarded through full and open competition by other Federal agencies. To the extent DOE is able to utilize interagency agreements pursuant to the Economy Act to obtain its firearm requirements, no new procurement effort will be needed. Accordingly, DOE will purchase its firearm requirements as stated below:

- (1) Handgun - Glock Inc., Model 22, 40 caliber
- (2) Duty Rifle - Military M-16 family of rifles
- (3) Shotgun - Remington, Model 870, 12 gauge
- (4) Precision Rifle - Remington, Model 700 Action
- (5) 40mm Grenade Launcher - Military Model 203
- (6) Belt-Fed Machine Guns - Fabrique National Model 240 and 249

If DOE is unable to obtain any needed firearms through interagency agreements pursuant to the Economy Act, DOE will comply with the requirements of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 6.3 in determining how to procure its firearms requirements.

- b. Due to the multiple agencies and contracts involved in this centralized procurement effort, the Office of Safeguards and Security (OSS) will provide liaison with DOE field organizations for acquisition of listed firearms. All Departmental elements which require any of the firearm types listed in paragraph 4.a. of this notice shall coordinate procurement with OSS. Field organizations shall provide information regarding the type of firearm, number of items, delivery date and site point of contact to OSS. Replacement of current inventories is intended to occur as current firearms become due for replacement. The standard list should provide needed firearms capability for the majority of Departmental missions within site-specific conditions; however, operational, safety, or other requirements may dictate the need for an alternative firearm. Deviations from or additions to this list must be approved by the Director of the Office of Security and Emergency Operations or the National Nuclear Security Administration, Director of Defense Nuclear Security. However, if DOE is unable to obtain any needed firearms through interagency agreements pursuant to the Economy Act, DOE will comply with the requirements of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 6.3 in determining how to procure its firearms requirements.
- c. Firearms inventories must be maintained that allow efficient and effective arming and training of on-duty personnel.

- (1) Operational firearms inventories should be limited to the number of armed personnel issued that type of firearm and/or the number required for mounting in posts and vehicles, plus 10 percent to accommodate maintenance and contingency requirements.
 - (2) Additional inventories of firearms may be maintained to support live fire, dye-marking, and Multiple Integrated Laser Engagement System (MILES) training and qualification activities.
 - (3) Departmental safety instructions require that firearms used for MILES and dye-marking training activities be permanently modified and not routinely transferred between live and non-lethal uses. As a result, sufficient numbers of each type of training firearms must be maintained to support the varied training missions.
 - (4) Due to the remote location of some training facilities, some site inventories include live fire weapons for training and qualification. Requirements for modified and non-modified training firearms must be documented and approved by the cognizant DOE Director of Safeguards and Security. Note that neither this requirement nor the standardized list seeks to limit the procurement and maintenance of reasonable inventories of firearms for use by the adversaries during forces on force exercises.
 - (5) The Glock Inc. Model 22 cannot be converted to dye marking cartridge use; however, a handgun specifically designed for this purpose is available from Glock Inc. An appropriate inventory of these firearms may also be purchased and maintained.
- d. The Department currently has a standardization program for ammunition that consists of a scheduled procurement coordinated by the Central Training Academy through the Albuquerque Operations Office. This program will not be affected by the standardization of Departmental firearms. DOE facilities must continue to procure all duty and training ammunition included in the standard procurement through this program.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES.

- a. Director, Office of Security and Emergency Operations (SO). Review and approve or disapprove requests for exceptions to the requirements of this Notice.
- b. National Nuclear Security Administration, Director of Defense Nuclear Security. For operations under the cognizance of the National Nuclear Security Administration, review and approve or disapprove requests for exceptions to the requirements of this Notice.
- c. Director, Office of Safeguards and Security (OSS). Coordinate field requirements with procurement offices to consolidate requirements, facilitate identification of contracts and develop interagency agreements.

- d. Cognizant DOE, Field Safeguards and Security Director. Coordinate site requirements with OSS. Document and approve local inventory requirements for modified and non-modified training firearms.
 - e. DOE Central Training Academy. Coordinate the scheduled procurement of ammunition.
6. CONTACT. To obtain assistance concerning this Notice, contact the Office of Safeguards and Security at 301-903-5693.

BY ORDER OF THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF ENERGY:



T.J. Glauthier
Deputy Secretary

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ATTACHMENT 1

CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENT

DOE N 473.2, STANDARDIZATION OF FIREARMS, dated 03-02-00

1. Contractors should use the following list of firearms for all future procurement of firearms for use by on-duty protective force personnel:
 - Handgun - Glock Inc., Model 22, 40 caliber
 - Duty Rifle- Military M-16 family of rifles
 - Shotgun - Remington, Model 870, 12 gauge
 - Precision Rifle - Remington, Model 700 Acton
 - 40mm Grenade Launcher - Military Model 203
 - Belt-Fed Machine Guns - Fabrique National Model 240 and 249
2. Procurement from this list shall be coordinated with the cognizant DOE Field Safeguards and Security Director.
3. Deviations from or additions to this list of firearms must be submitted through the cognizant DOE safeguards and security authority to the Director of the Office of Security and Emergency Operations or the National Nuclear Security Administration, Director of Defense Nuclear Security.
4. Contractors must maintain firearms inventories that allow efficient and effective arming and training of on-duty personnel.