



# TIVERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## GENERAL ORDERS

<b>Individual:</b> Miniaturized Red Dot Sights for Duty Handgun Use		<b>General Order Number:</b> 390.70
<b>Section:</b> 300 – Law Enforcement Operations		<b>Subsection:</b> 90 – Use of Force
<b>Amends/Supersedes:</b>		
<b>Effective Date:</b> 09/15/2021	<b>Revised Date:</b> 09/15/2021	<b>Review Date:</b> As Needed
<b>Per Order Of:</b> Patrick W. Jones, Chief of Police		
<b>RIPAC:</b>		
<b>Distribution:</b> Sworn Department Members		

NOTE: This written directive is for the internal governance of the Tiverton Police Department, and is not intended and should not be interpreted to establish a higher standard of care in any civil or criminal action than would otherwise be applicable under existing law.

### I. PURPOSE

This policy establishes the authority and guidelines for the implementation of miniaturized red dot sights on duty handgun.

### II. POLICY

Eligible Personnel will be able to use approved red dot optics on a duty approved handgun after completing the pistol red dot optic course and qualifying with the optic and back-up iron sights. The approved handgun, can be purchased by the officer and a limited amount will be purchased by the Tiverton Police Department. The red dot optic, and all accessories required will be purchased by the Officer and approved by the Tiverton Police Department Firearms Instructor. Eligible personnel should understand that if this approved handgun and optic are used during their capacity as a Police Officer with the Tiverton Police Department, the firearm and/or optic can be seized as evidence and will be held until after the investigation.

### III. DEFINITIONS

Eligible Personnel - For the purpose of this policy, all sworn full time and reserve officers are eligible personnel.

Approved Hand Gun - Smith and Wesson M&P40 4.25" barrel 2.0 optic ready with suppressor height sights is the approved handgun.

Recommended Red Dot Optics with the use of a Duracell battery.

- Trijicon RMR RM01 Type 2
- Trijicon RMR RM06 Type 2 3.25 MOA
- Trijicon RMR RM07 Type 2 6.5 MOA
- Holosun 507c
- Holosun 508t
- Holosun 509t

Or an optic inspected and approved by a Tiverton Firearms Instructor

Accessories-

Safariland Holster 6362RDS-2192 or 6360RDS-2192 level III retention holster  
Safariland Holster 7360 RDS-2192-411 Level III retention holster or a holster  
approved by a Tiverton Police Department Firearms Instructor.

C&H Precision Weapons Mounting Plates

Duty Weapon - For the purpose of the firearms policy this weapon will be considered as  
your duty weapon.

#### **IV. PROCEDURES**

##### **A. General Provisions**

1. Any eligible personnel may request to purchase the approved handgun, optic, and accessories. The Tiverton Police Department will purchase a limited number of Smith and Wesson Optic Ready 2.0 pistols that will be issued out at the discretion of the Tiverton Police Department Firearms Instructors and Chief of Police.
2. The Officer will be required to purchase all items and accessories and present all items at the time of qualification.
3. The Officer must attend a pistol red dot optic firearms training and be able to proficiently pass the qualification course in the presence of a Tiverton Firearms Instructor with a qualifying score. Officers will qualify with both the optic and back-up iron sights.
4. It is the Officer's responsibility to make arraignments with a Tiverton Firearms Instructor quarterly to check the sights zero and change the battery at least once a year. This can be done sooner if needed.
5. It is the Officer's responsibility to maintain the firearm, accessories and red dot optic sight. At the discretion of Tiverton Firearms Instructors, if an officer is found to be negligent in maintaining the firearm, accessories, and red dot optic sight, the officer will not be eligible to carry the weapon or the optic on or off duty and be covered by the Tiverton Police Department.
6. A Tiverton Police Department Firearms Instructor shall inspect the weapon and/or optic at any reasonable time as the Tiverton Police Department will be responsible for annual maintenance of the firearm.
7. Tiverton Firearms Instructors will be responsible for installation of red dot optics on the approved handguns.