

CHARLOTTESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT



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I. POLICY

It is the policy of the Charlottesville Police Department to establish training and guidelines pertaining to the handling, carrying, care, maintenance, and the use of the Department issued firearms and individual sworn officer's off-duty firearm. Each officer will be trained in the safe handling and use of all authorized weapons and will demonstrate proficiency with the weapon(s) before it is issued to the officer.

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this directive is to specify the requirements for initial training, certification and/or refresher training with firearms and non-lethal weapons. It will be the goal of firearms training to develop officer's shooting skills and insure all officers maintain qualification in accordance with the Virginia Department of Criminal Justices Services.

A limited number of the enclosed City of Charlottesville Police Department General Orders have been redacted. The redactions ensure that that Police Department's operational and tactical responses are withheld for community and Officer Safety (e.g., bank alarm response, response to an active threat, and Tactical Operations).