

Procedure
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**Eugene
Police Department**



Patrol Shields

12.32.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Patrol Shields provide an additional tool to help protect personnel during high risk incidents involving firearms.

12.32.2 RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROCEDURES ALL PERSONNEL

a. Deployment of Shields:

1. Personnel utilizing the patrol shield are required to have completed the department provided briefing training.
2. All use of the Patrol Shields must be in accordance with department training.
3. Shields will be stored in supervisor vehicles and/or HQ in the supervisor area.

b. Recommended Uses for Patrol Shields:

1. Fortifying static security positions.
2. Following an officer involved shooting when rendering care or arresting suspect(s).
3. Officer and or citizen rescues.
4. Approaching and or clearing suspect(s) vehicle(s).

c. Procedures for deploying Patrol Shields:

1. Shield deployment requires two officers, but three officers are recommended.
 - One officer carries the shield, two officers provide cover/arrest.
2. The officer staffing the shield should have his or her hands free, i.e. their handgun should be holstered/rifle slung.
3. Shields are not recommended in these situations:
 - a. Inside a confined space such as a residence, small business, etc.
 - b. In an active shooter or active violent incident at the onset of the incident.

12.32.2.1 Patrol Shields are applicable during the rescue portion of active shooter or active violent incident events.

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