MESQUITE POLICE DEPARTMENT 123.00 UNINTENTIONAL DISCHARGE Effective Date: March, 2013 Approved: Chief of Police

I. Policy Statement

The policy of the Mesquite Police Department is to review all unintentional discharges of weapons by officers while on-duty and off-duty if within the City of Mesquite. If an officer unintentionally discharges his weapon while off-duty in another city, the investigation will be handled by the agency having jurisdiction.

II. Procedure

- A. All involved officers (witnesses, instructors, etc.) shall submit a memorandum through the chain of command to the Chief of Police.
- B. The incident will be reviewed by the officer's chain of command.
- C. The chain of command will make recommendations to the Chief of Police who will determine the severity of the incident and determine the appropriate disciplinary action.
- D. This policy does not include weapons used for the honor guard, which only fire blank ammunition, or weapons that were modified for blank fire at the time of the incident.
- E. This policy includes less-lethal weapons such as the Sage Less-Lethal, less-lethal shotgun rounds, gas munitions, TASER, and other specialty weapons.

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