



Kern County Sheriff's Office **Policies and Procedures**

TITLE: OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ENFORCEMENT TEAM UNIFORMS				NO: K-440
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POLICY

Off Road Law Enforcement duties carry with them hazards and conditions not normally encountered in standard patrol. The nature of these conditions requires modifications to the standard Sheriff's Office uniform in the interest of officer safety, comfort and convenience. Sheriff's personnel working as part of the Off-Road Vehicle Enforcement Team (ORVET) are therefore authorized to wear the modified uniform as detailed in this policy as applicable.

ORVET members, while engaged in off road enforcement duties, are authorized to wear the following:

- White Motocross Helmet, DOT approved (HJC Brand, model CLX4 or similar)
- Shirt, Class E Uniform
- Trousers, Class D Uniform (motorcycle pants) or Trousers, Class C Uniform
- ORVET Uniform
- Black/White Motocross Boots (Alpinestar brand, model Tech 7 or similar)
- Tan Tactical Boots (Under Armour brand, style Valsetz RTS or similar)
- Black or Grey Motocross Gloves
- Black or Grey Motocross Goggles

ORVET Uniform

Shirt:

- Hot Shoppe Designs or L.R. Apparel brand moto style jersey, Khaki in color.
- Material: To be constructed of moisture wicking 100% polyester to prevent fading, wrinkling and shrinking.
- Collar: The collar shall be black V-Neck.
- Sleeves: The sleeves shall be long sleeve, with integrated elbow pads and black rib cuffs.
- Graphics:
 - Sleeves: The shirt will have "KERN COUNTY" in black ¾" tall block letters and "SHERIFF" in black 1 ½" tall block letters, sublimation printed on both sleeves along the length of the arm.

- Back: The shirt will have “KERN COUNTY” in black 1 ½” tall block letters and “SHERIFF” in black 3” tall block letters, sublimation printed on the back of the shirt horizontally between the shoulder blades.
 - The graphics for the sleeves and back will be as follows: “KERN COUNTY” will be above “SHERIFF” with the “K” centered above the “E” in “SHERIFF” and the “Y” ending above the last “F” in “SHERIFF”
 - Refer to graphics sample for reference.
- Badge: Sheriff’s Office Badge, sublimation printed (See Sheriff’s Office Insignia).
 - The badge will be centered on the left breast.
- Shoulder Patches: Sheriff’s Office shoulder patches (see Sheriff’s Office Insignia Specifications) are to be located on both sleeves with the top of the patch ½” below the junction of the shoulder and arm, and in such a manner that a line bisecting the center of the patch is perpendicular to the ground when the garment is worn. The patch will be sublimation printed on the garment.
- Name Plate: The name plate will be sublimation printed in black ¾” tall block letters and centered on the right breast.
- Rank Insignia: Rank insignia shall not be placed on the sleeves of the Class E Uniform Shirt. Instead, the rank will be sublimation printed in black ¾” tall block letters above and centered on the name plate.
- Service Stripes: Service stripes will not be worn on the ORVET Uniform Shirt.
- Pressing and Creasing: The ORVET Uniform shall be maintained in a presentable manner and will not be worn soiled or excessively wrinkled. The shirt shall not be pressed with military creases, nor shall military creases be sewn into the garment.

Trousers, Class D Uniform-OHV

- Solid black, over the boot, off-road style motorcycle pants which allow for the use of knee braces/guards. (Shift Recon, Fly Patrol, or similar)
 - Recognizing the variations between different manufacturers and production years, slight deviations from the solid black requirement, such as for manufacturer name or logo, may be authorized by the sergeant of the ORVET, as long as the deviations do not distract from the overall uniformity of the unit.
 - It is the responsibility of the user to obtain authorization for any such deviation prior to the use of the pants.
- Material: 600D polyester construction (or equivalent).
- Belt Loops: Belt loops shall be able to accept the standard uniform dress belt.
- Pockets: The pants will have a minimum of one cargo pocket on each leg, secured at the top with hook and loop, snap fasteners, or by zipper.
- Pressing and Creasing: The ORVET Uniform trouser shall be maintained in a presentable manner and will not be worn soiled or excessively wrinkled. The pants shall not be pressed or creased.

Trousers, Class C Uniform

- 5.11 Tactical Inc.
 - Style 74326 Men's PDU class B Twill Cargo Pant, Style 64306, 64310W, Women's PDU class B Twill Cargo Pant.
- Design: The pant shall incorporate a plain front, two quarter top front pockets, two hip pockets, two flashlight/utility pockets, two cargo pockets, and one hidden zippered security pocket. The pant must have a one-piece diamond gusseted crotch measuring approximately 19" long and four inches deep. There are bar tacks at the center front and center back of the gusseted crotch.
- Color: Forest Green (878)
- Material: 65% Polyester, 35% Cotton Twill, 7.25 oz./yd²
- Waistband: The pant will be made with the 5.11 Tactical waistbands, which provides 6" elastic panels at each side for better comfort and fit. The waistband shall measure 2" wide when finished. The waistband shall be closed with a PRYM snap and a French fly. The waistband must be topstitched 1/8" along both edges for added strength. Front panel measures 9" and back panel measures 12".
- Buttons/Zippers/Snaps:
 - Fly zipper is metallic YKK zipper with locking slider, on top of the pocket behind cargo pocket, zipper is closed coil reversed tape, and a coil hidden YKK zipper.
 - Velcro 100% Nylon hook and loop closures (non-visible) at cargo pocket flaps.
 - Waistband snap is metal PRYM 5.11 logo snap with extra strong grip.
 - Inside French fly, back pockets and spare placed at wearer's left pocket bag button is Aetna Melamine satin finish button four-hole style and it is cross tacked.
- Belt Loops: Belt loops shall be 1 5/8" wide and have a functional opening 2 1/4". There must be a minimum of five (5) belt loops at the waist.
- Trouser Crease: The leg creases, front and back will have silicone bead to create a permanent crease set with steam press.
- Pockets: The two front pockets will be quarter top style with a minimum opening of 7 1/2" and a minimum depth of 5 1/2" measured from the bottom of the pocket opening. Pockets shall be constructed using a French seam.
- The wearer's right hand front pocket shall have a zippered security pocket set back from the hand pocket opening.
 - The two hip pockets shall have a minimum opening of 5 1/2" and minimum depth of 6 1/2" measured from the bottom of the pocket opening. Hip pockets shall have double welts. The corners of the hip pocket opening shall have triangle bar tacks. Both pockets shall have a tab to button.
 - The two cargo pockets, (one on each side seam) shall be double pockets, (pleated patch pockets with flaps and a zippered under pocket. The pockets will be centered across the side seam. The pocket shall be constructed of the shell fabric. The flapped pocket shall have an elasticized inverted pleat opening extending the

pocket opening an additional 1 ½” and be lined with the 5.11 Back-up-Belt System, a hook and loop material. The loop materials serve as a mounting surface for 5.11’s hook-based material on the accessories pouches. The outside measurements of the pocket are 7 ¼” wide x 10” deep. There shall be a working 1 ½” inverted center pleat on each pocket. The pocket flaps shall be mitered and secured with 1 ½” x ½” hook and loop tabs at each corner. There shall be a coil zipper sewn behind the inner pocket and to the trouser leg so that the zipper is recessed 1” from the top of the pocket flap. There shall be straight vertical bar tacks on all corners of each pocket flap.

- The two flashlight/utility pockets shall be single welt and be 3 ½” wide and 8 ½” deep. These pockets shall have triangle bar tacks at each side
- All garments are to be pressed and folded with the creased lines. There shall be no untrimmed threads and no raw edges inside the trousers.
- Each garment shall have a cloth label sewn to the inside of the waistband containing the name of the manufacturer, the style, size, date of manufacture, and the care instruction. The labels are to be printed in permanent ink to last the life of the garment. A paper label is to be tacked to the outside waistband showing the size, style, and color of the garment.

Note: The 5.11 tactical trousers that had previously been authorized for Class C uniform wear may be worn until they either become unserviceable or until January 1, 2012. In no case will the 5.11 tactical pants be worn with the Class C uniform after January 1, 2012.

Footwear

- Under Armour Brand
 - Style: UA Valsetz RTS, Style #1250234, Color: Desert Sand (290), or similar.