

On September 30, 2021, Governor Newsom signed AB 481, which directed law enforcement agencies to establish rules for the funding, acquisition, and/or use of military equipment.

Requirements of AB 481

AB481 requires a law enforcement agency (LEA) to obtain approval from the applicable governing body via the adoption of a Military Equipment Use Policy by Ordinance prior to the LEA funding, acquiring, or using military equipment. The Calexico Police Department seeks City Council approval of the attached Military Equipment Use Policy 706 to allow Calexico Police Department to continue using the vital equipment specified therein and purchase said equipment as needed.

Effective January 1, 2022, LEAs within California are required to abide by the rules set forth within AB 481, defining military equipment, requiring approval by the City Council, and public engagement for the use and acquisition of military equipment. The Calexico Police Department has responsibly purchased and utilized this equipment within our community for decades without misuse or abuse.

The Calexico Police Department's Military Equipment Use Policy, [Lexipol Policy 706](#), is available to view at the city of Calexico website. The AB 481 defined list of military equipment currently in the Calexico Police Department's possession is included in the policy.

- AR-15/M-4 Weapons defined under 30510 & 30515
- UMP-40 Weapons defined under 30510 & 30515
- Light Sound Diversionary Device (Flashbang)
- Projectile Launchers
 - F&N 303 Technology Launcher
 - Federal Laboratories
 - Model 203-A870 pump-action shotgun
- Munitions: Projectiles:
 - Defense Technology Ferret Liquid 0C liquid rounds 37 mm
 - Defense Technology Drag Stabilized 12-Gauge Bean Bag Rounds
 - Defensive Technology 12-Gauge rubber pellet Impact Projectiles rounds.
 - Defense Technology 12-Gauge fin-stabilized ferret rounds.
 - Defense Technology 2-Gauge Ferret 0C Powder Projectiles
 - Defense Technology 12-Gauge Breaching TKO rounds
- Hand Delivery:
 - Defense Technology #4 CS -Triple-Chaser Grenade
 - Defense Technology #519 Federal Handball CS Grenade

 - Defense Technology #518 Federal Riot CS Grenade
 - Defense Technology #98 CS Grenade
 - Defense Technology #T16 OC Grenade
- Glock T17 Simunition handguns
- Command and Control Vehicle

The Calexico Police Department will prepare an Annual Report to include the use of military equipment, any complaints received, any internal audits, or other information about violations of the Calexico Police Department's Military Equipment Use policy. This webpage will distribute any updates to the above materials and for the Annual Report.