

Department of Consumer and Business Services

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POLICE DEPARTMENT/ SHERIFF'S OFFICE WAIVER AND ACCEPTANCE OF PERSONAL SAMPLING

FROM: ENTITY NAME

TO: Oregon OSHA Technical Section

RE: Letter of Agreement

ENTITY NAME agrees to participate in this Letter of Agreement with Oregon OSHA regarding personal sampling requirements of Oregon OSHA Hearing Conservation Rules and Noise Exposure Standards 1910.95(c).

We understand that the personal noise exposure samples taken at both indoor and outdoor firing ranges have similar noise testing results. Those results, (see Attachment A), have been agreed to as the standard noise exposures for weapons used when our employees are performing qualifications with firearms. We agree to follow the range qualification protocols set forth by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST).

We also agree to implement an Occupational Hearing Conservation Program as set forth in Oregon OSHA's rules. The program will include (but is not limited to):

- Identifying all employees with noise exposure to weapons or other sources
- Conducting baseline hearing tests at hire
- Conducting annual hearing examinations
- Conducting follow-up examination when required
- Providing proper hearing protection based on their noise exposures
- Conducting training at hire and annually thereafter, as required
- Maintaining the required records

This Letter of Agreement is specifically directed to the reliance on personal noise exposure samples to relieve the employer of having to perform individualized testing for every employee and firearm. This agreement does not alter the duty of the employer to comply with Oregon OSHA Hearing Conservation Program standards.

I have read, understand, and agree to abide by the provisions of this Letter of Agreement.

Date:		
Entity:		
Address:		
Contact Person:	Phone:	
[Entity] Authorized Signature		Oregon OSHA Authorized Signature

The above-signed affirm they have authority to enter into this Letter of Agreement on behalf of their entity and Oregon OSHA.

Send signed agreement on letterhead to David J. McLaughlin, Standards & Technical Manager at the following address:
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