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2. Explanation of Materials Transmitted:

This release creates MS-9260, Chapter 17, referred to as GO 17. This manual establishes policy and procedures for the law enforcement vehicles program to be followed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Law Enforcement Officers authorized to carry firearms to fulfill law enforcement responsibilities.

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None.

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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to develop, establish, and provide standards or procedures for the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Law Enforcement Officers (LEOs) regarding BLM law enforcement vehicles.

2. SCOPE

This policy applies to all BLM law enforcement officers. It applies to all activities, processes, and practices related to vehicles. Nothing in this policy is intended to supersede applicable law, regulations, and/or Department of the Interior Policy (DOI). In the event of conflict, applicable law, regulation, and/or DOI policy shall govern.

3. AUTHORITY

- a. 31 USC 1343, 1344
- b. 41 CFR, Chapter 102-34

4. DEFINITIONS

Fleet Management/managers: BLM employees who oversee maintaining BLM vehicle fleets to include purchasing, decommissioning, maintenance, and recalls.

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Law Enforcement Vehicle: A marked or unmarked motorized vehicle utilized by law enforcement that is equipped with emergency lighting and siren.

General Services Administration (GSA): An agency within the federal government that governs how other federal agencies obtain motor vehicles for official use.

5. FILE AND RECORDS MAINTENANCE

Law Enforcement records will be maintained in accordance with the Law Enforcement General Orders and Handbooks, and the Bureau Records Retention Catalog.

6. POLICY

All BLM law enforcement vehicles will be operated by law enforcement personnel except for vehicles operated by maintenance personnel. Law enforcement vehicles are for official use only. Law enforcement vehicles will be purchased and not leased through General Service Administration (GSA).

6.1 Ordering, Vehicle Types, and Equipment

Orders for new or replacement law enforcement vehicles must be approved in writing by the supervisor or the Office of Law Enforcement and Security (OLES) Support Services, prior to submission to Fleet Management. The Director, OLES will consider requests for exemption from the authorized vehicle class specifications and non-standard options on a case-by-case basis. Special-use vehicles, such as off-highway vehicles (OHV), snowmobiles, etc. are exempt from this section. BLM LEO's may order vehicles at an interval consistent with current BLM guidelines.

6.2 Vehicle Domicile

BLM LEOs may be authorized to domicile BLM-owned government vehicles for use in home-to-work transportation. The authorization must show a benefit to the government. Employees are not authorized to domicile a government vehicle until their request is approved. Domicile authorizations must be submitted at the beginning of each fiscal year and will not exceed one year from the start date.

6.3 Maintenance

All LEOs are responsible for keeping their assigned vehicle clean and in full functioning condition. The LEOs will fuel and complete any minor repairs at the end of each shift whenever possible to ensure the vehicle and equipment are ready for emergency response. If possible, LEOs should utilize the use of dealer service centers for maintenance, as this will make any warranty claims easier for the BLM to pursue. Law enforcement vehicles should be maintained by the most stringent schedule applicable due to the excessive wear and tear endured in law enforcement work.

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