



## SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

# HOW TO PROPERLY DISPOSE UNWANTED FIREARMS

**THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SEEKS TO REDUCE THE AVAILABILITY OF GUNS IN OUR COMMUNITIES BY PROVIDING COMMUNITY MEMBERS DIFFERENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SAFE DISPOSAL OF FIREARMS.**

### CALL A DEPUTY SHERIFF FOR A RESIDENTIAL PICK-UP

Call the Sheriff's Department non-emergency line: (858) 565-5200.

Request for a Deputy to confiscate the firearm(s) from a residence.

The reporting party shall leave the firearm(s) inside of the residence where it is currently located at the time of the call. (In a safe, bedroom, garage, etc.)

When the Deputy arrives on scene notify the Deputy of the location of the firearm(s) and if it is rendered safe.

If you are turning in ammunition it cannot be attached to the handgun in any manner.

If possible, have the registration for the firearm(s) ready to provide to the Deputy. If you no longer have the registration, the Sheriff's Department will still accept the firearm.

The Deputy will check to ensure the firearm(s) is rendered safe and give the individual a "notice of confiscation of weapons" with the case number.

**OR**

### DROP OFF AT THE NEAREST SHERIFF'S STATION

Safely transport the weapon to the nearest Sheriff's Station with the registration for the firearm(s), if possible. Make sure the weapon is unloaded and placed in the trunk of the vehicle. If the vehicle does not have a trunk, it must be carried in a "locked container." And out of reach of the driver.

If you are turning in ammunition it cannot be attached to the handgun in any manner.

Leave the weapon inside the vehicle.

While outside of the station you can use the phone located outside of the station or your personal phone to call the Sheriff's non-emergency line and notify dispatch you are outside of the station to turn in a firearm(s). If you arrive at the station during normal business hours, leave the weapon inside of the vehicle and contact a staff member at the front counter to assist you.

When contacted by a Deputy, notify the Deputy of the location of the firearm(s).

Unlock your vehicle and allow the Deputy to remove the firearm(s).

The Deputy will check to ensure the firearm(s) is rendered safe and give the individual a "notice of confiscation of weapons" with the case number.

**INDIVIDUALS MAY ALSO CONTACT A LOCAL LICENSED FIREARMS RETAIL STORE TO SELL/TRANSFER THEIR FIREARM(S)**

**FOR QUESTIONS, CONTACT THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT NON-EMERGENCY LINE AT (858) 565-5200 OR YOUR LOCAL SHERIFF STATION**

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