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# **Mine-Resistant, Armor Protected Vehicle** **(MRAP) Policy**

## **1008.1 SUMMARY:**

The purpose of this SWAT manual entry is to clearly define the use, maintenance, deployment, training and general guidelines of the South Lake Tahoe Police Department's MAXPRO MRAP. The policy explains the training of SWAT operators in the MAXPRO MRAP, as well as the deployment of the vehicle in rescue or tactical operations. The policy also explains general guidelines of 1033 related equipment.

## **1008.2 TRAINING:**

Training on the MAXPRO MRAP for all SWAT operators should be conducted by an agency approved trainer and at a minimum covering the following topics: dynamics of heavy vehicles, clear vision and night vision driving, braking and steering, vehicle maintenance, recovery operations, rescue operations, water and snow hazard mitigation, immediate action drills and live driving training. Further, each SWAT operator will complete bi-annual driving training on the MAXPRO MRAP. Each SWAT operator driving the vehicle on a roadway shall have a class B or class A driver's license. The driving training for the class B driver's license will be conducted by the South Lake Tahoe Police Dept. Training will also be conducted by the SWAT bi-annually in the emergency vehicle operations (EVOC) driving of the MAXPRO MRAP.

## **1008.3 OPERATIONS:**

Only personnel authorized by the TL/ATL shall drive the MRAP. Such operators should hold a class B or class A driver's license, except in emergency or exigent circumstances when a class C licensed driver is only available.

## **1008.4 SAFETY:**

SWAT operators will be given a briefing and practical training in the MAXPRO MRAP's safety to include the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) ballistic protection level of the MAXPRO MRAP, the safety concerns of the limited vision the MAXPRO MRAP has, operations for safe backing of the MAXPRO MRAP, proper follow distance of the MAXPRO MRAP as it

applies to weather, traffic and the vehicle weight, and safety walkthroughs of the MAXPRO MRAP air braking system and maintenance. South Lake Tahoe Fire Department personnel will provide appropriate tactical medical training to SWAT personnel in the MRAP's use in rescue operations.

**1008.5 MAINTANCE:**

Any vehicle maintenance will be conducted by property licensed personnel at the City of South Lake Tahoe Maintenance facility. Any issues regarding maintenance will be addressed to Maintenance Department and all work will be facilitated or completed by the Maintenance Department. While at the Maintenance Department the MAXPRO MRAP shall remain in locked indoor storage.