



Baton Rouge Police Department



Weapon Assignment and Officer Qualification Tracking



- Weapons, Gear, Ammo Registry
- Personnel Validation via ARMS Software
- Track Weapon Assignments
- Track Officer Designations and Certification Testing Cycles
- Rapid Armory Inventories

Weapons and Qualifications Tracking

Challenge

Baton Rouge Police Department maintained pistol, taser and long arm weapons registries, and officer qualifications, utilizing spreadsheets. It is critical for police departments to have 100% accountability of weapons in armories and weapons assigned to personnel, and that officer weapon qualifications remain current. The U.S. Department of Justice provided Baton Rouge Police Department with a government grant to computerize and automate weapon and qualification management.

Solution

The Baton Rouge Police Department selected Virtual Doxx Corporation's ARMS Armory Management System to computerize and automate armory operations. Durable bar code labels were placed on weapons and are scanned when weapons are issued to personnel and to perform armory inventories. ARMS software includes officer registry, weapon registry and certifications registry.

System Components

- Personnel validation by Officer # in ARMS database
- Weapons, gear and ammunition tracking utilizing bar code labels and USB-connected bar code scanners
- Personnel qualification and ARM/Do-Not-Arm tracking
- Recertification testing cycles tracked based on officer designations (patrol officer, SWAT, 'No Knock', etc.
- Rapid-transfer tracking screen within ARMS software enables batch processing of weapon transfers and officer status
- Electronic signatures validates custody transfers
- Portable scanner rapidly inventories armory

Police Department Weapons Management 'Best Practices'

ARMS Armory Management System Software

- ARMS software was designed in conjunction with Baton Rouge Police Department weapons and certifications management experts
- ARMS software was configured to meet police department 'best practices' and 'standard operating procedures'
- Includes computerized registries of officers, weapons and certifications
- Enables police department accountability of all weapons at all times
- Each weapon transfer saves as audit trail record in ARMS software for weapon chain-of-custody from acquisition through final disposition
- Configurable workflow queues to track armory tasks and due dates
- Customized reporting to police department standards, including reports indicating testing cycles for upcoming weapon certifications



Bar Code Weapons Management

- Weapons are tagged with bar codes
- Weapons are scanned when assigned to officers, eliminating data entry errors
- Portable bar code scanner is utilized to inventory armory and sync to ARMS database via WiFi or USB sync
- Officer ID cards, gear and ammo can also be tagged with bar codes and assignments and inventories automated in the armory, on officers and in vehicles



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