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## ADVISORY

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### LAW ENFORCEMENT SALES

The Maryland State Police Licensing Division (MDSPLD) continuously reviews policy and procedures to ensure RFDs are complying with the MD Public Safety Article and the procedures set forth for the submission and processing of regulated firearm applications. This advisory is to remind Maryland Regulated Firearms Dealers (RFD) that **all regulated firearm sales to law enforcement officers are required to be submitted on a Maryland State Police Application and Affidavit to Purchase a Regulated Firearm (77R).**

A Law Enforcement Sale 77R Application is the sale of a regulated firearm to a current Maryland or Federal law enforcement officer who has warrantless arrest powers within the State of Maryland. With a "sales to law enforcement certification letter" on agency letterhead and signed by a person of authority within the individual's department, a Law Enforcement Officer may purchase a regulated firearm, for official duties, and take immediate possession of the regulated firearm. **The Law Enforcement Officer Certification letter must be uploaded in the documents section of the 77R and submitted to the Maryland State Police via the Licensing Portal.**

A Law Enforcement Certification Letter must: (1) be on the agency's letterhead, (2) be signed by a person in authority within the agency, (3) state the officer will use the firearm in the performance of official duties, and (4) certify that a record check has been conducted and the officer has not been convicted of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence.

Law Enforcement Officer's purchasing a regulated firearm for personal use are required to submit a separate, non-Law Enforcement Sale 77R and are subject to the 7-day wait.

For further information, please visit our website by clicking: [Maryland State Police Licensing Division](#) . If you need further assistance or have additional questions, you may contact the Licensing Division at [mSP.firearmsregistration@maryland.gov](mailto:mSP.firearmsregistration@maryland.gov). Regulated Firearms Dealers may contact us using the LiveHelp feature within the Licensing Portal.

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