

**ORDINANCE NO. 4511**

**UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MENDOCINO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY PURSUANT TO AB 481**

WHEREAS, Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 481 into law on September 30, 2021;  
and

WHEREAS, the legislative intent behind AB 481 is to increase the public transparency  
by which California law enforcement agencies fund, acquire, and/or use military equipment, as  
defined under AB 481; and

WHEREAS, AB 481 requires California law enforcement agencies to obtain approval of  
their applicable governing body, by adoption of a military equipment use policy, prior to taking  
certain actions relating to the funding, acquisition, and/or use of military equipment; and

WHEREAS, AB 481 requires California law enforcement agencies that receive approval  
for a military equipment use policy to submit to the applicable governing body an annual military  
equipment report for each type of military equipment approved by the governing body within one  
year of approval, and annually thereafter so long as the military equipment is available for use;  
and

WHEREAS, AB 481 requires the applicable governing body of the California law  
enforcement agency to annually review the military equipment use policy to either disapprove a  
renewal of the authorization of a type of military equipment or amend the military equipment use  
policy.

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino ordains as  
follows:

**Section 1.**

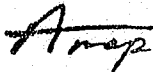
The attached policy, titled "Military Equipment", shall be added to the Mendocino County  
Sheriff's Office Policy Manual as "Military Equipment Use Policy" and designated section 709  
under Chapter 7 of the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Policy Manual.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Mendocino, State of California, on this 16th day of August, 2022, by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Supervisors McGourty, Mulheren, Haschak, Gjerde, and Williams  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

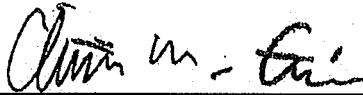
**WHEREUPON**, the Chair declared the Ordinance passed and adopted and **SO ORDERED**.

ATTEST: DARCIE ANTLE  
Clerk of the Board



Deputy

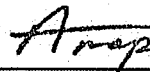
APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
CHRISTIAN M. CURTIS  
County Counsel



TED WILLIAMS, Chair  
Mendocino County Board of Supervisors

I hereby certify that according to the provisions of Government Code Section 25103, delivery of this document has been made.

BY: DARCIE ANTLE  
Clerk of the Board



Deputy

## **ORDINANCE SUMMARY**

### **UNCODIFIED ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE MENDOCINO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY PURSUANT TO AB 481**

This uncodified ordinance approves the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Military Equipment Policy, which shall be added to the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office Policy Manual.