

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §15-2-43

§15-2-43. Awarding service revolver upon retirement and disposal of service weapon when replaced due to routine wear.

(a) Upon the retirement of a member of the West Virginia state police, the superintendent shall award to the retiring member his or her service revolver, without charge, upon determining:

- (1) That the retiring member is retiring honorably with at least twenty years of service; or
- (2) Such retiring member is retiring with less than twenty years of service based upon a determination that such member is totally physically disabled as a result of his or her service with the West Virginia state police.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, the superintendent may not award his or her service revolver to any member whom the superintendent finds to be mentally incapacitated or who constitutes a danger to any person or the community.

(c) The disposal of state police service weapons, when replaced due to routine wear, shall not fall under the jurisdiction of the agency for surplus property, within the Purchasing Division of the Department of Administration. The superintendent may offer these surplus weapons for sale to any active or retired member of the State Police, at fair market value, with the proceeds from any sales used to offset the cost of the new weapons.