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#### CHIEF OF POLICE'S PREFACE

All Sweet Home Police Personnel:

These policies, procedures, rules and regulations are published to provide guidance and direction to employees of the Sweet Home Police Department. Each employee must become thoroughly familiar with the directives so that each can more effectively serve the public through consistent and uniform procedures.

All employees must become knowledgeable with the contents of this manual and maintain knowledge of all updates and revisions. All employees must recognize that an individual policy can be rendered obsolete due to changes in technology, personnel or resources. If it comes to your attention that a policy may no longer be relevant or applicable, it is your duty and responsibility to immediately notify your supervisor or the Chief of Police, so the policy can be reviewed.

These directives have been designed to meet the high standards of our profession. You must base your actions in accordance with the guidelines, unless there is justifiable cause for deviation. You must always use good judgment, common sense and discretion in delivering service to the public. No set of directives can address every phase of your duties and responsibilities or every situation you will encounter.

These directives have been developed for internal use only by employees of the Sweet Home Police Department. Do not copy or loan this manual or individual directive to any person, agency or organization without the pre-authorization of the Chief of Police.

Jason Ogden

Chief of Police

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#### CRIMINAL JUSTICE CODE OF ETHICS

As a criminal justice officer, my fundamental duty is to serve humankind; to safeguard lives and property; to protect all persons against deception, the weak against oppression or intimidation, and the peaceful against violence or disorder; and to respect the Constitutional rights of all people to liberty, equality and justice.

I will keep my private life unsullied as an example to all; maintain courageous calm in the face of danger, scorn, or ridicule; develop self-restraint; and be constantly mindful of the welfare of others. Honest in thought and deed in both my personal and official life, I will be exemplary in obeying the laws of the land and the regulations of my department. Whatever I see or hear of a confidential nature or that is confided to me in my official capacity will be kept ever secret unless revelation is necessary in the performance of my duty.

I will never act officiously or permit personal feelings, prejudices, animosities or friendships to influence my decisions. Without compromise and with relentlessness, I will uphold the laws affecting the duties of my profession courteously and appropriately without fear or favor, malice or ill will, never employing unnecessary force or violence, and never accepting gratuities.

I recognize my position as a symbol of public faith, and I accept it, as a public trust to be held so long as I am true to the ethics of The Criminal Justice System. I will constantly strive to achieve these objectives and ideals, dedicating myself before God to my chosen profession.

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To work in parnership with our community, to protect the public and prevent crime while providing the highest quality police services to all.

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# **Law Enforcement Authority**

#### 100.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to affirm the authority of the members of the Sweet Home Police Department to perform their functions based on established legal authority.

#### 100.2 PEACE OFFICER POWERS

Peace officers are granted authority by Oregon Revised Statutes to prevent and deter crime; arrest offenders; issue citations in lieu of custody; take custody of evidence of a crime, contraband or recovered stolen property; control the flow of traffic and preserve the peace and safety of the public.

Sworn members of this department are peace officers pursuant to ORS 161.015. Peace officer authority extends to any place in the State of Oregon.

# 100.2.1 AUTHORITY TO ARREST Pursuant to ORS 133.235:

- (a) A peace officer may arrest a person for a crime at any hour of any day or night.
- (b) A peace officer may arrest a person for a crime, pursuant to ORS 133.310(1), whether or not such crime was committed within the geographical area of the peace officer's employment, and the peace officer may make the arrest within the state, regardless of the situs of the offense.
- (c) The peace officer shall inform the person to be arrested of the peace officer's authority and reason for the arrest, and, if the arrest is under a warrant, shall show the warrant, unless the peace officer encounters physical resistance, flight, or other factors rendering this procedure impracticable, in which case the arresting peace officer shall inform the arrested person and show the warrant, if any, as soon as practicable.
- (d) In order to make an arrest, a peace officer may use physical force as justifiable under ORS 161.233, ORS 161.242, and ORS 161.245.
- (e) In order to make an arrest, a peace officer may enter premises in which the peace officer has probable cause to believe the person to be arrested to be present.
- (f) If after giving notice of the peace officer's identity, authority, and purpose, the peace officer is not admitted, the peace officer may enter the premises, and by a breaking, if necessary.
- (g) A person may not be arrested for a violation except as provided by ORS 153.039 and ORS 810.410.

#### 100.3 CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

All members shall observe and comply with every person's clearly established rights under the United States and Oregon Constitutions.

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### **100.4 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to limit its members to only exercise the authority granted to them by law.

While this department recognizes the power of peace officers to make arrests and take other enforcement action, officers are encouraged to use sound discretion in the enforcement of the law. This department does not tolerate abuse of law enforcement authority.

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# **Public Safety Certification**

#### 102.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy outlines certain state certification and training requirements for Department members.

#### 102.2 BASIC CERTIFICATION

The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training requires that all sworn law enforcement officers and dispatchers employed within the State of Oregon receive certification within 18 months of appointment. Corrections officers are required to receive certification within 12 months of appointment (OAR 259-008-0060).

#### 102.2.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

In addition to the basic certification, executive officers should obtain a Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) Executive certificate within two years of hire as a condition of employment (OAR 259-008-0060).

#### 102.3 SUPERVISORS AND MANAGERS

In addition to basic certification, supervisors and mid-level managers are required to complete the supervision course or middle management course, respectively, within 12 months of appointment unless a time extension is granted by DPSST (OAR 259-008-0025). Supervisors and managers should also seek the appropriate level of certification (OAR 259-008-0060).

#### 102.4 MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION

In order to maintain certification, all active law enforcement officers and dispatchers are required to meet on-going training requirements as specified in OAR 259-008-0064 or OAR 259-008-0065.

Active police officers who hold Supervisory, Management or Executive certification must complete at least 24 hours of department-approved Leadership/Professional training every three years, as part of the on-going training required for all peace officers (OAR 259-008-0065).

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# **Oath of Office**

#### 104.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that oaths, when appropriate, are administered to department members.

#### 104.2 OATH OF OFFICE

All department members, when appropriate, shall take and subscribe to the oaths or affirmations applicable to their positions. The form of oath should be as follows:

"I, (state name), do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Oregon, and the laws therefore and rules and regulations of the Sweet Home Police Department, and I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge the duties of (position about to assume) during my continuance therein, to the best of my ability, so help me God."

If a member is opposed to taking an oath, he/she shall be permitted to substitute the word "affirm" for the word "swear," and the words "so help me God" may be omitted.

#### 104.2.1 CRIMINAL JUSTICE CODE OF ETHICS

All members of the Sweet Home Police Department are required to subscribe and adhere to the Criminal Justice Code of Ethics as presented in the introduction to this Policy Manual.

### 104.2.2 MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS

The oath of office shall be filed in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

#### **104.3 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that, when appropriate, department members affirm the oath of their office as an expression of commitment to the constitutional rights of those served by the Department and the dedication of its members to their duties.

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# **Policy Manual**

### 106.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The manual of the Sweet Home Police Department is hereby established and shall be referred to as the Policy Manual or the manual. The manual is a statement of the current policies, rules and guidelines of this department. All members are to conform to the provisions of this manual.

All prior and existing manuals, orders and regulations that are in conflict with this manual are rescinded, except to the extent that portions of existing manuals, procedures, orders and other regulations that have not been included herein shall remain in effect, provided that they do not conflict with the provisions of this manual.

#### **106.2 POLICY**

Except where otherwise expressly stated, the provisions of this manual shall be considered as guidelines. It is recognized that the work of law enforcement is not always predictable and circumstances may arise which warrant departure from these guidelines. It is the intent of this manual to be viewed from an objective standard, taking into consideration the sound discretion entrusted to members of this department under the circumstances reasonably available at the time of any incident.

#### 106.2.1 DISCLAIMER

The provisions contained in the Policy Manual are not intended to create an employment contract nor any employment rights or entitlements. The policies contained within this manual are for the internal use of the Sweet Home Police Department and shall not be construed to create a higher standard or duty of care for civil or criminal liability against the City, its officials or members. Violations of any provision of any policy contained within this manual shall only form the basis for department administrative action, training or discipline. The Sweet Home Police Department reserves the right to revise any policy content, in whole or in part.

#### 106.3 AUTHORITY

The Chief of Police shall be considered the ultimate authority for the content and adoption of the provisions of this manual and shall ensure compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee is authorized to issue Interim Directives, which shall modify those provisions of the manual to which they pertain. Interim Directives shall remain in effect until such time as they may be permanently incorporated into the manual.

#### 106.4 DEFINITIONS

The following words and terms shall have these assigned meanings throughout the Policy Manual, unless it is apparent from the content that they have a different meaning:

**Adult** - Any person 18 years of age or older.

**CFR** - Code of Federal Regulations.

City - The City of Sweet Home.

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Civilian - Employees and volunteers who are not sworn peace officers.

**Department/SHPD** - The Sweet Home Police Department.

**DHS** - Department of Human Services.

**DMV** - The Department of Motor Vehicles.

Employee/personnel - Any person employed by the Department.

Manual - The Sweet Home Police Department Policy Manual.

May - Indicates a permissive, discretionary or conditional action.

**Member** - Any person employed or appointed by the Sweet Home Police Department, including:

- Full- and part-time employees
- Sworn peace officers
- Reserve, auxiliary officers
- Civilian employees
- Volunteers
- OAR Oregon Administrative Rules (Example: OAR 259-008-0060).
- **ORS** Oregon Revised Statutes (Example: ORS 153.039).
- **OSP** The Oregon State Police.

**Officer/sworn** - Those employees, regardless of rank, who are sworn peace officers employees of the Sweet Home Police Department.

**On-duty** - A member's status during the period when he/she is actually engaged in the performance of his/her assigned duties.

**Order** - A written or verbal instruction issued by a superior.

**Rank** - The title of the classification held by an officer.

**Shall or will** - Indicates a mandatory action.

**Should** - Indicates a generally required or expected action, absent a rational basis for failing to conform.

**Supervisor** - A person in a position of authority that may include responsibility for hiring, transfer, suspension, promotion, discharge, assignment, reward or discipline of other department members, directing the work of other members or having the authority to adjust grievances. The supervisory exercise of authority may not be merely routine or clerical in nature but requires the use of independent judgment.

The term "supervisor" may also include any person (e.g., officer-in-charge, lead or senior worker) given responsibility for the direction of the work of others without regard to a formal job title, rank or compensation.

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When there is only one department member on-duty, that person may also be the supervisor, except when circumstances reasonably require the notification or involvement of the member's off-duty supervisor or an on-call supervisor.

USC - United States Code.

#### 106.5 ISSUING THE POLICY MANUAL

An electronic version of the Policy Manual will be made available to all members on the department network for viewing and printing. No changes shall be made to the manual without authorization from the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

Each member shall acknowledge that he/she has been provided access to, and has had the opportunity to review the Policy Manual and Interim Directives. Members shall seek clarification as needed from an appropriate supervisor for any provisions that they do not fully understand.

#### 106.6 PERIODIC REVIEW OF THE POLICY MANUAL

The Chief of Police will ensure that the Policy Manual is periodically reviewed and updated as necessary.

#### 106.7 REVISIONS TO POLICIES

All revisions to the Policy Manual will be provided to each member on or before the date the policy becomes effective. Each member will be required to acknowledge that he/she has reviewed the revisions and shall seek clarification from an appropriate supervisor as needed.

Members are responsible for keeping abreast of all Policy Manual revisions.

Each Division Commander will ensure that members under his/her command are aware of any Policy Manual revision.

All department members suggesting revision of the contents of the Policy Manual shall forward their written suggestions to their Division Commanders, who will consider the recommendations and forward them to the command staff as appropriate.



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# Organizational Structure and Responsibility

### 200.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The organizational structure of this department is designed to create an efficient means to accomplish our mission and goals and to provide for the best possible service to the public.

#### 200.2 DIVISIONS

The Chief of Police is responsible for administering and managing the Sweet Home Police Department. There are four divisions in the Police Department as follows:

- Fiscal/Communications Division
- Patrol Division
- Investigation Division
- Support Division

#### 200.2.1 FISCAL/COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The Fiscal/Communications Division is commanded by a civilian Commander whose primary responsibility is to provide general direction and control for the Division. The Fiscal/Communications Division consists of Dispatch, Records. Fiscal and Administrative Support to the Chief of Police.

### 200.2.2 PATROL DIVISION

The Patrol Division is commanded by a Captain whose primary responsibility is to provide general management direction over the Patrol Sergeants as well as and control for that division. The Patrol Division consists of Patrol Sergeants, Uniformed Patrol and Special Operations, which includes Traffic, Training, Fleet Management and Jail Operations.

#### 200.2.3 INVESTIGATION DIVISION

The Investigation Division is commanded by the Captain whose responsibility is to provide general management direction and control for the Investigation Division. The Investigation Division provides for more intricate investigation of person, property and narcotics investigations.

### 200.2.4 SUPPORT DIVISION

The Support Division is under the general supervision of the Chief of Police with specific functions coordinated by other supervisory personnel. The Support Division consists of Community Services, School Resource, Code Enforcement and facility maintenance.

#### 200.3 COMMAND PROTOCOL

### 200.3.1 SUCCESSION OF COMMAND

The Chief of Police exercises command over all personnel in the Department. During planned absences where the Chief of Police will be unavailable for contact, the Chief will designate the Captain to serve as the acting Chief of Police.

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Except when designated as above, the order of command authority in the absence or unavailability of the Chief of Police is as follows:

- (a) Captain
- (b) Senior Patrol Sergeant
- (c) Duty Patrol Sergeant
- (d) Fiscal/Communications Commander
- (e) Senior Detective
- (f) Senior Duty Officer

#### 200.3.2 UNITY OF COMMAND

The principles of unity of command ensure efficient supervision and control within the Department. Generally, each employee shall be accountable to one supervisor at any time for a given assignment or responsibility. Except where specifically delegated authority may exist by policy or special assignment (e.g. K-9, SWAT), any supervisor may temporarily direct any subordinate if an operational necessity exists.

#### 200.3.3 ORDERS

Members shall respond to and make a good faith and reasonable effort to comply with the lawful order of superior officers and other proper authority.

### 200.3.4 UNLAWFUL AND CONFLICTING ORDERS

No member is required to obey any order which outwardly appears to be in direct conflict with any federal or state law, or local ordinance. If the legality of an order is in doubt the affected member shall ask the issuing supervisor to clarify the order or confer with a higher authority. Responsibility for refusal to obey rests with the member, who shall subsequently be required to justify the refusal.

Unless it would jeopardize the safety of any individual, members who are presented with an order that is in conflict with a previous order, department policy, or other directive, shall respectfully inform the issuing supervisor of the conflict. The issuing supervisor is responsible for either resolving the conflict or clarifying that the order is intended to countermand the previous order or directive, in which case the member is obliged to comply. Members who are compelled to follow a conflicting order after having given the issuing supervisor the opportunity to correct the conflict are not held accountable for disobedience of the order or directive that was initially issued.

The person issuing the countermanded order shall be notified in writing by the person issuing the second command of the action taken and the reason therefore.

#### 200.4 ACCOUNTABILITY

Supervisors and managers shall be accountable for the performance of the members under their immediate control.

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# **Interim Directives**

#### 204.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Interim Directives establish an interdepartmental communication that may be used by the Chief of Police to make immediate changes to policy and procedure. Interim Directives will immediately modify or change and supersede sections of this manual to which they pertain.

#### 204.1.1 INTERIM DIRECTIVE PROTOCOL

Interim Directives will be incorporated into the manual as required upon approval of Staff. Interim Directives will modify existing policies or create a new policy as appropriate. A Interim Directive will be rescinded once it has been incorporated into the manual.

All existing Interim Directives have now been incorporated in the updated Policy Manual as of the below revision date.

Interim Directives issued after publication of the manual shall be numbered consecutively starting with the last two digits of the year. For example, 08-01 signifies the first Interim Directive for the year 2008.

#### 204.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

#### 204.2.1 STAFF

The staff shall review and approve revisions of the Policy Manual, which will incorporate changes originally made by a Interim Directive.

### 204.2.2 CHIEF OF POLICE

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall issue all Interim Directives.

### 204.3 ACCEPTANCE OF INTERIM DIRECTIVES

All employees are required to read and obtain any necessary clarification of all Interim Directives. All employees are required to acknowledge in writing the receipt and review of any new Interim Directive. Signed acknowledgement forms and/or e-mail receipts showing an employee's acknowledgement will be maintained by the Training Sergeant.

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# **Emergency Operations Plan**

### 206.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The City has prepared an Emergency Management Plan Manual for use by all employees in the event of a major disaster or other emergency event. The manual provides for a strategic response by all employees and assigns specific responsibilities in the event the plan is activated.

### 206.2 ACTIVATING THE EMERGENCY PLAN

The Emergency Operations Plan can be activated in a number of ways. For this department, the Chief of Police or the highest ranking official on duty may activate the Emergency Operations Plan in response to a major emergency.

#### 206.2.1 RECALL OF PERSONNEL

In the event that the Emergency Operations Plan is activated, all employees of the Sweet Home Police Department are subject to immediate recall. Employees may also be subject to recall during extraordinary circumstances as deemed necessary by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

Failure to promptly respond to an order to report for duty may result in discipline.

#### 206.3 LOCATION OF MANUALS

The City Emergency Operations Manual is available in the Chief of Police office. All supervisors should familiarize themselves with the Emergency Operations Plan and what roles police personnel will play if the plan is implemented.

#### 206.4 BUILDING EVACUATION PLAN

In the event of a disaster or emergency which requires evacuation of the police building, all employees shall follow implemented evacuation plans and posted exit portals. The posted exit strategies shall include any special directions for physically impaired employees (Oregon Administrative Rules 437-004-0450).

#### 206.4.1 SMOKE OR FIRE ALARM ACTIVATION

The Sweet Home Police Facility is equipped with both smoke and fire detectors throughout the building. These detectors will alert all occupants with both audible and visual signals. The system is designed with several monitoring panels to display the area of the building where the problem is being detected. These panels are located in Dispatch, A.V. Control and near the front lobby doorway.

The following procedures should be followed by employees upon receiving an alarm activation:

#### Dispatch

- Observe the alarm panel in Dispatch for information on the location and type of alarm.
- Immediately alert all officers in the field of the potential emergency and request immediate assistance at the Police Department.

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- Notify Linn County Central Dispatch via phone or if necessary radio, of the alarm activation and request fire department response.
- If any prisoners are lodged in the detention area, direct any available staff to remove them from the building and secure them in patrol vehicles.
- If there are any signs of imminent danger, smell of smoke, visible signs of fire, etc, immediately evacuate the building via the nearest safe route. If practical, obtain keys to the Police Command Vehicle so that a temporary mobile dispatch facility can be established. Request that Central Dispatch take over dispatching of Sweet Home officers until our command and control abilities are restored.
- If it appears safe to remain within dispatch until the nature of the alarm can be determined you should do so.
- Notify the Chief of Police of the situation.

#### **Officers**

- Upon notification of the alarm respond to investigate the validity of the alarm and attempt to determine the size and scope of any emergency that may exist. Any relevant information should be relayed to the dispatcher or directly to Central Dispatch for relay to fire personnel.
- If any prisoners are lodged in the detention area, immediately remove them from the building and secure them in patrol vehicles.
- Verify that all civilians and any non-essential personnel have evacuated the building.
- If an actual fire exists and it is reasonably safe to do so, shut all doors between the fire area and the rest of the facility, assist the dispatcher(s) in evacuating the facility and stand by to assist arriving fire personnel.
- Notify the Chief of Police of the situation.

**Civilian Personnel** - Evacuate the building via the nearest safe route. If practical and safe to do so, assure that all public and non-employees have evacuated. Assist Dispatch and Police Officers if requested to do so.

### 206.4.2 FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM ACTIVATION

The Sweet Home Police Facility is equipped with an automatic fire suppression system designed to help control and contain a fire within a specific area. Any automatic activation of this system will also trigger the smoke or fire alarm system.

#### 206.5 UPDATING OF MANUALS

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should review the Emergency Operations Plan Manual at least once every two years to ensure that the manual conforms to any revisions made by the National Incident Management System (NIMS), and appropriately address any needed revisions.

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# **Training**

#### 208.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes general guidelines for how training is to be identified, conducted, and documented. This policy is not meant to address all specific training endeavors or identify every required training topic.

#### **208.2 POLICY**

The Department shall administer a training program that will meet the standards of federal, state, local, and the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) training requirements. It is a priority of this department to provide continuing education and training for the professional growth and development of its members.

#### 208.3 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Training Program are to:

- (a) Enhance the level of law enforcement service to the public.
- (b) Increase the technical expertise and overall effectiveness of our personnel.
- (c) Provide for continued professional development of department personnel.
- (d) Enhance the safety of officers and the community.

### 208.4 TRAINING PLAN

A training plan will be developed and maintained by the training coordinator. It is the responsibility of the training coordinator to maintain, review, and update the training plan on an annual basis. The plan will address the following areas:

- Legislative changes and changes in case law
- State-mandated training
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA)
- High-liability issues training
- Training on department policies and procedures
- Trauma-informed practices (ORS 181A.445)

### 208.5 TRAINING ATTENDANCE

- (a) All members assigned to attend training shall attend as scheduled unless previously excused by their immediate supervisor. Excused absences should be limited to:
  - 1. Court appearances.
  - 2. Previously approved vacation or time off.
  - Illness or medical leave.

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- 4. Physical limitations preventing the member's participation.
- 5. Emergency situations or department necessity.
- (b) Any member who is unable to attend training as scheduled, shall notify the member's supervisor as soon as practicable but no later than one hour prior to the start of training and shall:
  - 1. Document the member's absence in a memorandum to the member's supervisor.
  - 2. Make arrangements through the member's supervisor and the training coordinator to attend the required training on an alternate date.

#### 208.6 TRAINING COSTS

It is the responsibility of the training coordinator to determine when the Sweet Home Police Department may be entitled for training reimbursements when an officer has completed any portion of basic training in the last 36 months and voluntarily leaves employment and is subsequently employed by a different law enforcement agency in a position that requires the same training. If it is determined to seek reimbursement for qualifying expenses, the requests shall comply with the provisions of ORS 181A.620.

#### 208.7 TRAINING MANAGER

The Chief of Police shall designate a training coordinator who is responsible for developing, reviewing, updating, and maintaining the department training plan so that required training is completed. The training coordinator should review the training plan annually.

#### 208.8 TRAINING RECORDS

The training coordinator is responsible for the creation, filing, and storage of all training records. Training records shall be retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

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## **Electronic Mail**

#### 212.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the proper use and application of the department's electronic mail (email) system by employees of this department. Email is a communication tool available to department employees to enhance the efficiency in the performance of job duties and is to be used in accordance with generally accepted business practices and current law, such as the Oregon Public Records Law set forth in Oregon Revised Statutes 192.311 et seq. Messages transmitted over the email system must only be those that involve City business activities or contain information essential to City employees for the accomplishment of business-related tasks, and/or communication directly related to City business, administration, or practices.

#### 212.2 EMAIL RIGHT OF PRIVACY

All email messages, including any attachments, that are transmitted over department networks are considered department records and therefore department property. The Department reserves the right to access, audit or disclose, for any lawful reason, any message including any attachment that is transmitted over its email system or that is stored on any department system. Likewise, employees are prohibited from receiving, sending or storing email messages in personal files. The Department reserves the right to access any personal folders to assure compliance with this policy.

The email system is not a confidential system and therefore is not appropriate for confidential communications. If a communication must be confidential, an alternative method to communicate the message should be used. Employees using the department email system shall have no expectation of privacy concerning communications transmitted over the system.

Employees should not use personal accounts to exchange email or other information that is related to the official business of the Department.

#### 212.3 PROHIBITED USE OF EMAIL

Sending derogatory, defamatory, obscene, disrespectful, sexually suggestive and harassing, or any other inappropriate messages on the email system is prohibited and may result in discipline.

Email messages addressed to the entire department are only to be used for official business related items that are of particular interest to all users and must be approved by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander. Personal advertisements are not acceptable.

It is a violation of this policy to transmit a message under another user's name. Users are strongly encouraged to log off the network when their computer is unattended. This added security measure would minimize the misuse of an individual's email, name and/or password by others.

#### 212.4 EMAIL RECORD MANAGEMENT

Email may, depending upon the individual content, be a public record under the Oregon Public Records Law and must be managed in accordance with the established records retention schedule and in compliance with state law.

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# **Administrative Communications**

### 214.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide members with the protocols and forms to be used for internal administrative communications. Administrative communications of this department are governed by the following policies.

#### 214.2 MEMORANDUMS

Memorandums may be issued periodically by the Chief of Police to announce and document all promotions, transfers, hiring of new personnel, separations, personnel and group commendations, or other changes in status.

#### 214.3 CORRESPONDENCE

In order to ensure that the letterhead and name of the Department are not misused, all external correspondence shall be on Department letterhead. Personnel should use Department letterhead only for official business and with approval of their supervisor.

#### **214.4 SURVEYS**

All surveys made in the name of the Department shall be authorized by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander.

#### 214.5 INFORMATIONAL MEMOS

The Chief of Police may issue memoranda to department personnel from time to time for the purpose of disseminating information to the members.

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# **Staffing Levels**

### 216.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that proper staffing is available for all shifts. The Department intends to balance the employee's needs against the need to have flexibility and discretion in using personnel to meet operational needs. While balance is desirable, the paramount concern is the Department's need to meet operational requirements.

#### 216.2 MINIMUM STAFFING LEVELS

Shift supervisors will strive for a minimum staffing level by scheduling of at least two regular officers on duty whenever possible. The department will assure that a shift supervisor is either on duty or on call during each shift. A senior officer may be temporarily assigned to act as a shift supervisor when necessary.

#### 216.2.1 SUPERVISION DEPLOYMENTS

In order to accommodate training and other circumstances, an officer may be assigned as a shift supervisor in place of a shift Sergeant or other ranking officer.

With prior authorization from a Patrol Sergeant, an officer may act as the Patrol Sergeant for a limited period of time.

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# **Concealed Handgun License**

#### 218.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sheriff of a county shall issue Oregon concealed handgun licenses to qualified applicants upon receipt of the appropriate fees and after compliance with the procedures set out in ORS 166.291 through ORS 166.295. Police Departments should refer inquiries related to concealed handgun licenses to the Sheriff's Office.

#### 218.2 QUALIFIED APPLICANTS

To qualify for an Oregon concealed handgun license, an applicant must meet the criteria set forth in ORS 166.291 et seq.

#### 218.3 APPLICATION PROCESS

Applicants for Oregon concealed handgun licenses must complete a written application, must submit to fingerprinting and photographing by the Sheriff, and the Sheriff shall conduct any investigation necessary to ensure that applicants meet the qualifications.

Immediately upon acceptance of an application for a concealed handgun license, the Sheriff shall enter the applicant's name into the Law Enforcement Data System (ORS 166.291).

#### 218.3.1 WRITTEN APPLICATION

The Sheriff will provide, and the applicant must complete, a uniform application for a concealed handgun license (ORS 166.291).

#### 218.3.2 FINGERPRINTING, PHOTOGRAPHING AND INVESTIGATION

The applicant must submit to fingerprinting and photographing by the Sheriff. The Sheriff shall fingerprint and photograph the applicant and shall conduct any investigation necessary to corroborate the qualification requirements. If a nationwide criminal check is necessary, the Sheriff shall request the Department of State Police to conduct the check, including fingerprint identification, through the Federal Bureau of Investigations (ORS 166.291).

#### 218.4 DENIAL OF CONCEALED HANDGUN APPLICATIONS

If the application for the concealed handgun license is denied, the Sheriff shall set forth in writing the reasons for the denial. The denial shall be sent to the applicant by certified mail, restricted delivery, within 45 days after the application was made. If no decision is issued within 45 days, the person may seek review through the procedures set out in ORS 166.293(5).

A Sheriff may deny a concealed handgun license if the Sheriff has reasonable grounds to believe that the applicant has been or is reasonably likely to be a danger to self or others, or to the community at large, as a result of the applicant's mental or psychological state, as demonstrated by past pattern of behavior or participation in incidents involving unlawful violence or threats of unlawful violence (ORS 166.293).

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#### 218.5 ISSUED CONCEALED HANDGUN LICENSES

If the application for the license is approved, the Sheriff shall issue and mail or otherwise deliver to the applicant at the address shown on the application, within 45 days of the application, a wallet sized license bearing the photograph of the licensee. The license must be signed by the licensee and carried whenever the licensee carries a concealed handgun. Failure of a person who carries a concealed handgun also to carry a concealed handgun license is prima facie evidence that the person does not have such a license (ORS 166.292).

The Sheriff shall keep a record of all the licenses that are issued or renewed.

Unless revoked, an Oregon concealed handgun license is valid for a period of four years from the date on which it is issued.

#### 218.5.1 LICENSE RESTRICTIONS

When a Sheriff issues a concealed handgun license, the Sheriff shall provide the licensee with a list of those places where carrying concealed handguns is prohibited or restricted by state or federal law (ORS 166.292).

#### 218.5.2 CHANGE OF LICENSEE'S ADDRESS

If a licensee changes residence, the licensee shall report the change of address and the Sheriff shall issue a new license as a duplicate for a change of address. The license shall expire upon the same date as would the original (ORS 166.295).

#### 218.5.3 REVOCATION OF LICENSES

Any act or condition that would prevent the issuance of a license under ORS 166.291 as set out above, is cause for revoking a concealed handgun license.

A Sheriff may revoke a license by serving upon the licensee a notice of revocation. The notice must contain the grounds for the revocation and must be served either personally or by certified mail, restricted delivery. The notice and return of service shall be included in the file of the licensee. The revocation is effective upon the licensee's receipt of the notice.

Any peace officer or corrections officer may seize a concealed handgun license and return it to the issuing Sheriff when the license is held by a person who has been arrested or cited for a crime that can, or would otherwise disqualify the person from being issued a concealed handgun license. The issuing Sheriff shall hold the license for 30 days. If, after 30 days, the person is not charged with a crime the Sheriff shall return the license unless it is revoked.

A person whose license is revoked may seek review by following the procedure set forth in ORS 166.293.

#### 218.5.4 LICENSE RENEWAL

A concealed handgun license is renewable by repeating the application process, except for the requirement to submit fingerprints and provide character references. An otherwise expired concealed handgun license continues to be valid for up to 45 days after the licensee applies for renewal if: the licensee applies for renewal before the original license expires; the licensee has

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proof of the application for renewal; and the application for renewal has not been denied (ORS 166.295).

### 218.6 ANNUAL REPORT OF LICENSE REVOCATIONS

The Sheriff shall submit an annual report to the Department of State Police containing the number of concealed handgun licenses revoked during the reporting period and the reasons for the revocations (ORS 166.297).

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# **Retiree Concealed Firearms**

#### 220.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the issuance, denial, suspension or revocation of Sweet Home Police Department identification cards under the Law Enforcement Officers' Safety Act (LEOSA) (18 USC § 926C).

#### **220.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to provide identification cards to qualified former or retired officers as provided in this policy.

#### 220.3 LEOSA

The Chief of Police may issue an identification card for LEOSA purposes to any qualified former officer of this department who (18 USC § 926C(c)):

- (a) Separated from service in good standing from this department as an officer.
- (b) Before such separation, had regular employment as a law enforcement officer for an aggregate of 10 years or more or, if employed as a law enforcement officer for less than 10 years, separated from service after completing any applicable probationary period due to a service-connected disability as determined by this department.
- (c) Has not been disqualified for reasons related to mental health.
- (d) Has not entered into an agreement with this department where the officer acknowledges that he/she is not qualified to receive a firearm qualification certificate for reasons related to mental health.
- (e) Is not prohibited by federal law from receiving or possessing a firearm.

#### 220.3.1 IDENTIFICATION CARD FORMAT

The LEOSA identification card should contain a photograph of the former officer and identify him/her as having been employed as an officer.

If the Sweet Home Police Department qualifies the former officer, the LEOSA identification card or separate certification should indicate the date the former officer was tested or otherwise found by the Department to meet the active duty standards for qualification to carry a firearm.

#### 220.3.2 AUTHORIZATION

Any qualified former law enforcement officer, including a former officer of this department, may carry a concealed firearm under 18 USC § 926C when:

- (a) In possession of photographic identification that identifies him/her as having been employed as a law enforcement officer, and one of the following:
  - 1. An indication from the person's former law enforcement agency that he/she has, within the past year, been tested or otherwise found by the law enforcement agency to meet agency-established active duty standards for qualification in firearms training to carry a firearm of the same type as the concealed firearm.

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- 2. A certification, issued by either the state in which the person resides or by a certified firearms instructor who is qualified to conduct a firearms qualification test for active duty law enforcement officers within that state, indicating that the person has, within the past year, been tested or otherwise found to meet the standards established by the state or, if not applicable, the standards of any agency in that state.
- (b) Not under the influence of alcohol or another intoxicating or hallucinatory drug or substance.
- (c) Not prohibited by federal law from receiving a firearm.
- (d) Not in a location prohibited by Oregon law or by a private person or entity on his/her property if such prohibition is permitted by Oregon law.

#### 220.4 FORMER OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

A former officer with a card issued under this policy shall immediately notify the Patrol Sergeant of his/her arrest or conviction in any jurisdiction, or that he/she is the subject of a court order, in accordance with the Reporting of Employee Convictions Policy.

#### 220.4.1 RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER LEOSA

In order to obtain or retain a LEOSA identification card, the former officer shall:

- (a) Sign a waiver of liability of the Department for all acts taken related to carrying a concealed firearm, acknowledging both his/her personal responsibility as a private person for all acts taken when carrying a concealed firearm as permitted by LEOSA and also that these acts were not taken as an employee or former employee of the Department.
- (b) Remain subject to all applicable department policies and federal, state and local laws.
- (c) Demonstrate good judgment and character commensurate with carrying a loaded and concealed firearm.
- (d) Successfully pass an annual criminal history background check indicating that he/she is not prohibited by law from receiving or possessing a firearm.

### 220.5 DENIAL, SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION

A LEOSA identification card may be denied or revoked upon a showing of good cause as determined by the Department. In the event that an identification card is denied, suspended or revoked, the formerofficer may request a review by the Chief of Police. The decision of the Chief of Police is final.

#### 220.6 FIREARM QUALIFICATIONS

The Rangemaster may provide former officers from this department an opportunity to qualify. Written evidence of the qualification and the weapons used will be provided and will contain the date of the qualification. The Rangemaster will maintain a record of the qualifications and weapons used.

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# **Use of Force**

#### 300.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines on the reasonable use of force. While there is no way to specify the exact amount or type of reasonable force to be applied in any situation, every member of this department is expected to use these guidelines to make such decisions in a professional, impartial, and reasonable manner.

In addition to those methods, techniques, and tools set forth below, the guidelines for the reasonable application of force contained in this policy shall apply to all policies addressing the potential use of force, including but not limited to the Control Devices and Techniques and Conducted Energy Device policies.

#### 300.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Deadly force** - Force reasonably anticipated and intended to create a substantial likelihood of causing death or very serious injury.

**Feasible** - Reasonably capable of being done or carried out under the circumstances to successfully achieve the arrest or lawful objective without increasing risk to the officer or another person.

**Force** - The application of physical techniques or tactics, chemical agents, or weapons to another person. It is not a use of force when a person allows him/herself to be searched, escorted, handcuffed, or restrained.

**Imminent** - Ready to take place; impending. Note that imminent does not mean immediate or instantaneous.

**Totality of the circumstances** - All facts and circumstances known to the officer at the time, taken as a whole, including the conduct of the officer and the subject leading up to the use of force.

#### **300.2 POLICY**

The use of force by law enforcement personnel is a matter of critical concern, both to the public and to the law enforcement community. Officers are involved on a daily basis in numerous and varied interactions and, when warranted, may use reasonable force in carrying out their duties.

Officers must have an understanding of, and true appreciation for, their authority and limitations. This is especially true with respect to overcoming resistance while engaged in the performance of law enforcement duties.

The Department recognizes and respects the value of all human life and dignity without prejudice to anyone. Vesting officers with the authority to use reasonable force and to protect the public welfare requires monitoring, evaluation, and a careful balancing of all interests.

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#### 300.2.1 DUTY TO INTERVENE AND REPORT

Any officer present and observing another law enforcement officer or a member using force that is clearly beyond that which is objectively reasonable under the circumstances shall, when in a position to do so, intervene to prevent the use of unreasonable force (ORS 181A.681).

Any officer who observes another law enforcement officer or a member use force that is potentially beyond that which is objectively reasonable under the circumstances shall report these observations to a supervisor as soon as feasible (ORS 181A.681).

#### 300.2.2 STATE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

A report of another member using excessive force must be made to a supervisor no later than 72 hours after the misconduct was witnessed (ORS 181A.681).

#### 300.2.3 PERSPECTIVE

When observing or reporting force used by a law enforcement officer, each officer should take into account the totality of the circumstances and the possibility that other law enforcement officers may have additional information regarding the threat posed by the subject.

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Officers shall use only that amount of force that reasonably appears necessary given the facts and circumstances perceived by the officer at the time of the event to accomplish a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

The reasonableness of force will be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene at the time of the incident. Any evaluation of reasonableness must allow for the fact that officers are often forced to make split-second decisions about the amount of force that reasonably appears necessary in a particular situation, with limited information and in circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving.

Given that no policy can realistically predict every possible situation an officer might encounter, officers are entrusted to use well-reasoned discretion in determining the appropriate use of force in each incident.

It is also recognized that circumstances may arise in which officers reasonably believe that it would be impractical or ineffective to use any of the tools, weapons, or methods provided by this department. Officers may find it more effective or reasonable to improvise their response to rapidly unfolding conditions that they are confronting. In such circumstances, the use of any improvised device or method must nonetheless be reasonable and utilized only to the degree that reasonably appears necessary to accomplish a legitimate law enforcement purpose.

While the ultimate objective of every law enforcement encounter is to avoid or minimize injury, nothing in this policy requires an officer to retreat or be exposed to possible physical injury before applying reasonable force.

### 300.3.1 USE OF FORCE - JUSTIFICATION

An officer is justified in using force upon another person only when and to the extent that the officer reasonably believes it necessary (ORS 161.233):

- (a) To make a lawful arrest or to prevent the escape from custody of an arrested person; or
- (b) For self-defense or to defend a third person from an imminent threat of physical injury.

# 300.3.2 FACTORS USED TO DETERMINE THE REASONABLENESS OF FORCE

When determining whether to apply force and evaluating whether an officer has used reasonable force, a number of factors should be taken into consideration, as time and circumstances permit. These factors include but are not limited to:

- (a) Immediacy and severity of the threat to officers or others.
- (b) The conduct of the individual being confronted, as reasonably perceived by the officer at the time.
- (c) Officer/subject factors (e.g., age, size, relative strength, skill level, injuries sustained, level of exhaustion or fatigue, the number of officers available vs. subjects).
- (d) The effects of suspected drug or alcohol use.
- (e) The individual's mental state or capacity.
- (f) The individual's ability to understand and comply with officer commands.
- (g) Proximity of weapons or dangerous improvised devices.
- (h) The degree to which the individual has been effectively restrained and his/her ability to resist despite being restrained.
- (i) The availability of other reasonable and feasible options and their possible effectiveness.
- (j) Seriousness of the suspected offense or reason for contact with the individual.
- (k) Training and experience of the officer.
- (I) Potential for injury to officers, suspects, and others.
- (m) Whether the individual appears to be resisting, attempting to evade arrest by flight, or is attacking the officer.
- (n) The risk and reasonably foreseeable consequences of escape.
- (o) The apparent need for immediate control of the individual or a prompt resolution of the situation.
- (p) Whether the conduct of the individual being confronted no longer reasonably appears to pose an imminent threat to the officer or others.
- (q) Prior contacts with the individual or awareness of any propensity for violence.
- (r) Any other exigent circumstances.

#### 300.3.3 PAIN COMPLIANCE TECHNIQUES

Pain compliance techniques may be effective in controlling a physically or actively resisting individual. Officer may only apply those pain compliance techniques for which they have successfully completed department-approved training. Officers utilizing any pain compliance technique should consider:

- (a) The degree to which the application of the technique may be controlled given the level of resistance.
- (b) Whether the individual can comply with the direction or orders of the officer.
- (c) Whether the individual has been given sufficient opportunity to comply.

The application of any pain compliance technique shall be discontinued once the officer determines that compliance has been achieved.

### 300.3.4 USE OF FORCE TO SEIZE EVIDENCE

In general, officers may use reasonable force to lawfully seize evidence and to prevent the destruction of evidence. However, officers are discouraged from using force solely to prevent a person from swallowing evidence or contraband. In the instance when force is used, officers should not intentionally use any technique that restricts blood flow to the head, restricts respiration or which creates a reasonable likelihood that blood flow to the head or respiration would be restricted. Officers are encouraged to use techniques and methods taught by the Sweet Home Police Department for this specific purpose.

# 300.3.5 ALTERNATIVE TACTICS - DE-ESCALATION

When circumstances reasonably permit, officers shall use non-violent strategies and techniques to decrease the intensity of a situation, improve decision-making, improve communication, reduce the need for force, and increase voluntary compliance (e.g., summoning additional resources, formulating a plan, attempting verbal persuasion) (ORS 161.233; ORS 161.242).

### 300.3.6 VERBAL WARNING PRIOR TO USE OF FORCE

Prior to using physical force, if reasonable to do so, officers shall give a verbal warning that physical force may be used and provide a reasonable opportunity to comply (ORS 161.233; ORS 161.242).

### 300.3.7 RESPIRATORY RESTRAINTS

The use of a respiratory restraint, also known as a chokehold, is limited to circumstances where deadly force is authorized and if applied, is subject to the same guidelines and requirements as a carotid control hold.

# 300.4 DEADLY FORCE APPLICATIONS

When reasonable, the officer shall, prior to the use of deadly force, make efforts to identify themself as a peace officer and to warn that deadly force may be used, unless the officer has objectively reasonable grounds to believe the person is aware of those facts.

Use of deadly force is justified in the following circumstances involving an imminent threat or an imminent risk (ORS 161.242):

- (a) An officer may use deadly force to protect themself or others from what the officer reasonably believes would be an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury.
- (b) An officer may use deadly force to stop a fleeing subject when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has committed, or intends to commit, a felony involving the infliction or threatened infliction of serious bodily injury or death, and the officer reasonably believes that there is an imminent risk of serious bodily injury or death to any other person if the individual is not immediately apprehended. Under such circumstances, a verbal warning should precede the use of deadly force, where feasible.
- (c) An officer may use deadly force to make a lawful arrest when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has committed a violent felony as defined in ORS 419A.004.
- (d) An officer may use deadly force to prevent a person from escaping custody when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has committed a violent felony as defined in ORS 419A.004.

However, an officer shall not use deadly force against a person whose actions are a threat solely to themself or property unless the person poses an imminent danger of death or serious physical injury to the officer or others in close proximity.

Imminent does not mean immediate or instantaneous. An imminent danger may exist even if the suspect is not at that very moment pointing a weapon at someone. For example, an imminent danger may exist if an officer reasonably believes that the individual has a weapon or is attempting to access one and intends to use it against the officer or another person. An imminent danger may also exist if the individual is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death without a weapon, and the officer believes the individual intends to do so.

### 300.4.1 MOVING VEHICLES

Shots fired at or from a moving vehicle are rarely effective and involve considerations and risks in addition to the justification for the use of deadly force.

When feasible, officers should take reasonable steps to move out of the path of an approaching vehicle instead of discharging their firearm at the vehicle or any of its occupants.

An officer should only discharge a firearm at a moving vehicle or its occupants when the officer reasonably believes there are no other reasonable means available to avert the imminent threat of the vehicle, or if deadly force other than the vehicle is directed at the officer or others.

Officers should not shoot at any part of a vehicle in an attempt to disable the vehicle.

# 300.4.2 CAROTID CONTROL HOLD

Knowingly using physical force that impedes the normal breathing or circulation of the blood of another person by applying pressure on the throat or neck of the other person shall only be used by a peace officer when deadly physical force is justified as provided in ORS 161.239.

#### 300.5 REPORTING THE USE OF FORCE

Any use of force by a member of this department shall be documented promptly, completely, and accurately in an appropriate report, depending on the nature of the incident. The officer should articulate the factors perceived and why he/she believed the use of force was reasonable under the circumstances.

To collect data for purposes of training, resource allocation, analysis, and related purposes, the Sweet Home Police Department may require the completion of additional report forms, as specified in department policy, procedure, or law. See the Report Preparation Policy for additional circumstances that may require documentation.

# 300.5.1 NOTIFICATIONS TO SUPERVISORS

Supervisory notification shall be made as soon as practicable following the application of force in any of the following circumstances:

- (a) The application caused a visible injury.
- (b) The application would lead a reasonable officer to conclude that the individual may have experienced more than momentary discomfort.
- (c) The individual subjected to the force complained of injury or continuing pain.
- (d) The individual indicates intent to pursue litigation.
- (e) Any application of the conducted energy device or control device.
- (f) Any application of a restraint device other than handcuffs, shackles, or belly chains.
- (g) The individual subjected to the force was rendered unconscious.
- (h) An individual was struck or kicked.
- (i) An individual alleges unreasonable force was used or that any of the above has occurred.

# 300.6 MEDICAL CONSIDERATIONS

Once it is reasonably safe to do so, medical assistance shall be obtained for any person who exhibits signs of physical distress, has sustained visible injury, expresses a complaint of injury or continuing pain, or was rendered unconscious. Any individual exhibiting signs of physical distress after an encounter should be continuously monitored until the individual can be medically assessed. Individuals should not be placed on their stomachs for an extended period, as this could impair their ability to breathe.

Based upon the officer's initial assessment of the nature and extent of the individual's injuries, medical assistance may consist of examination by an emergency medical services provider or medical personnel at a hospital or jail. If any such individual refuses medical attention, such a refusal shall be fully documented in related reports and, whenever practicable, should be witnessed by another officer and/or medical personnel. If a recording is made of the contact or an interview with the individual, any refusal should be included in the recording, if possible.

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The on-scene supervisor or, if the on-scene supervisor is not available, the primary handling officer shall ensure that any person providing medical care or receiving custody of a person following any use of force is informed that the person was subjected to force. This notification shall include a description of the force used and any other circumstances the officer reasonably believes would be potential safety or medical risks to the subject (e.g., prolonged struggle, extreme agitation, impaired respiration).

Individuals who exhibit extreme agitation, violent irrational behavior accompanied by profuse sweating, extraordinary strength beyond their physical characteristics, and imperviousness to pain, or who require a protracted physical encounter with multiple officers to be brought under control, may be at an increased risk of sudden death. Calls involving these persons should be considered medical emergencies. Officers who reasonably suspect a medical emergency should request medical assistance as soon as practicable and have medical personnel stage away.

See the Medical Aid and Response Policy for additional guidelines.

### 300.7 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

A supervisor should respond to a reported application of force resulting in visible injury, if reasonably available. When a supervisor is able to respond to an incident in which there has been a reported application of force, the supervisor is expected to:

- (a) Obtain the basic facts from the involved officers. Absent an allegation of misconduct or excessive force, this will be considered a routine contact in the normal course of duties.
- (b) Ensure that any injured parties are examined and treated.
- (c) When possible, separately obtain a recorded interview with the individual upon whom force was applied. If this interview is conducted without the individual having voluntarily waived his/her *Miranda* rights, the following shall apply:
  - 1. The content of the interview should not be summarized or included in any related criminal charges.
  - 2. The fact that a recorded interview was conducted should be documented in a property or other report.
  - 3. The recording of the interview should be distinctly marked for retention until all potential for civil litigation has expired.
- (d) Once any initial medical assessment has been completed or first aid has been rendered, ensure that photographs have been taken of any areas involving visible injury or complaint of pain, as well as overall photographs of uninjured areas.
  - 1. These photographs should be retained until all potential for civil litigation has expired.
- (e) Identify any witnesses not already included in related reports.
- (f) Review and approve all related reports.
- (g) Determine if there is any indication that the individual may pursue civil litigation.

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- 1. If there is an indication of potential civil litigation, the supervisor should complete and route a notification of a potential claim through the appropriate channels.
- (h) Evaluate the circumstances surrounding the incident and initiate an administrative investigation if there is a question of policy noncompliance or if for any reason further investigation may be appropriate.

In the event that a supervisor is unable to respond to the scene of an incident involving the reported application of force, the supervisor is still expected to complete as many of the above items as circumstances permit.

# 300.7.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY

The supervisor shall review each use of force by any personnel within his/her command to ensure compliance with this policy and to address any training issues.

### 300.8 TRAINING

Officers will receive periodic training on this policy and demonstrate their knowledge and understanding.

Subject to available resources, officers should receive periodic training on:

- (a) Guidelines regarding vulnerable populations, including but not limited to children, elderly, pregnant persons, and individuals with physical, mental, or intellectual disabilities.
- (b) De-escalation tactics, including alternatives to force.

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# **Use of Force Review Boards**

# 302.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes a process for the Sweet Home Police Department to review the use of force by its employees.

This review process shall be in addition to any other review or investigation that may be conducted by any outside or multi-agency entity having jurisdiction over the investigation or evaluation of the use of deadly force.

### **302.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will objectively evaluate the use of force by its members to ensure that their authority is used lawfully, appropriately and is consistent with training and policy.

### 302.3 REMOVAL FROM LINE DUTY ASSIGNMENT

Generally, whenever an employee's actions or use of force in an official capacity, or while using department equipment, results in death or very serious injury to another, that employee will be placed in a temporary administrative assignment pending an administrative review. The Chief of Police may exercise discretion and choose not to place an employee in an administrative assignment in any case.

# 302.4 REVIEW BOARD

The Use of Force Review Board will be convened when the use of force by a member results in very serious injury or death to another.

The Use of Force Review Board will also investigate and review the circumstances surrounding every discharge of a firearm, whether the employee was on- or off-duty, excluding training or recreational use.

The Chief of Police may request the Use of Force Review Board to investigate the circumstances surrounding any use of force incident.

The Chief of Police may convene the Use of Force Review Board as necessary. It will be the responsibility of the supervisor of the involved employee to notify the Chief of any incidents requiring board review. The involved employee's supervisor will also ensure that all relevant reports, documents and materials are available for consideration and review by the board.

### 302.4.1 COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD

The Use of Force Review Board will normally consist of five members from the following list, as appropriate:

- Representatives of each division
- Commanding officer in the involved member's chain of command
- Training Officer

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- Non-administrative supervisor
- A peer officer
- A sworn peace officer from an outside law enforcement agency
- Department instructor for the type of weapon, device or technique used

The senior ranking command representative who is not in the same division as the involved employee will serve as chairperson.

### 302.4.2 RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD

The Use of Force Review Board is empowered to conduct an administrative review and inquiry into the circumstances of an incident.

The board members may request further investigation, request reports be submitted for the board's review, call persons to present information and request the involved employee to appear. The involved employee will be notified of the meeting of the board and may choose to have a representative through all phases of the review process.

The board does not have the authority to recommend discipline.

The Chief of Police will determine whether the board should delay its review until after completion of any criminal investigation, review by any prosecutorial body, filing of criminal charges, the decision not to file criminal charges or any other action. The board should be provided all relevant available material from these proceedings for its consideration.

The review shall be based upon those facts which were reasonably believed or known by the officer at the time of the incident, applying any legal requirements, department policies, procedures and approved training to those facts. Facts later discovered but unknown to the officer at the time shall neither justify nor call into question an officer's decision regarding the use of force.

Any questioning of the involved employee conducted by the board will be in accordance with the department's disciplinary procedures, the Personnel Complaints Policy, the current collective bargaining agreement and any applicable state or federal law.

The board shall make one of the following recommended findings:

- (a) The employee's actions were within department policy and procedure.
- (b) The employee's actions were in violation of department policy and procedure.

A recommended finding requires a majority vote of the board. The board may also recommend additional investigations or reviews, such as disciplinary investigations, training reviews to consider whether training should be developed or revised, and policy reviews, as may be appropriate. The board chairperson will submit the written recommendation to the Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police shall review the recommendation, make a final determination as to whether the employee's actions were within policy and procedure and will determine whether any additional actions, investigations or reviews are appropriate. The Chief of Police's final findings will be

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forwarded to the involved employee's supervisor for review and appropriate action. If the Chief of Police concludes that discipline should be considered, a disciplinary process will be initiated.

At the conclusion of any additional reviews, copies of all relevant reports and information will be filed with the Chief of Police.

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# **Handcuffing and Restraints**

# 306.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for the use of handcuffs and other restraints during detentions and arrests.

### **306.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department authorizes the use of restraint devices in accordance with this policy, the Use of Force Policy and department training. Restraint devices shall not be used to punish, to display authority or as a show of force.

### 306.3 USE OF RESTRAINTS

Only members who have successfully completed Sweet Home Police Department-approved training on the use of restraint devices described in this policy are authorized to use these devices.

When deciding whether to use any restraint, officers should carefully balance officer safety concerns with factors that include but are not limited to:

- The circumstances or crime leading to the arrest.
- The demeanor and behavior of the arrested person.
- The age and health of the person.
- Whether the person is known to be pregnant.
- Whether the person has a hearing or speaking disability. In such cases, consideration should be given, safety permitting, to handcuffing to the front in order to allow the person to sign or write notes.
- Whether the person has any other apparent disability.

# 306.3.1 RESTRAINT OF DETAINEES

Situations may arise where it may be reasonable to restrain a person who may, after brief investigation, be released without arrest. Unless arrested, the use of restraints on detainees should continue only for as long as is reasonably necessary to ensure the safety of officers and others. When deciding whether to remove restraints from a detainee, officers should continuously weigh the safety interests at hand against the continuing intrusion upon the detainee.

#### 306.3.2 RESTRAINT OF PREGNANT PERSONS

Persons who are known to be pregnant should be restrained in the least restrictive manner that is effective for officer safety. Leg irons, waist chains, or handcuffs behind the body should not be used unless the officer has a reasonable suspicion that the person may resist, attempt escape, injure self or others, or damage property.

No person who is in labor, delivery, or recovery after delivery shall be handcuffed or restrained except in extraordinary circumstances and only when a supervisor makes an individualized determination that such restraints are necessary for the safety of the arrestee, officers, or others.

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#### 306.3.3 RESTRAINT OF JUVENILES

A juvenile under 14 years of age should not be restrained unless he/she is suspected of a dangerous felony or when the officer has a reasonable suspicion that the juvenile may resist, attempt escape, injure him/herself, injure the officer or damage property.

### 306.3.4 NOTIFICATIONS

Whenever an officer transports a person with the use of restraints other than handcuffs, the officer shall inform the jail staff upon arrival at the jail that restraints were used. This notification should include information regarding any other circumstances the officer reasonably believes would be potential safety concerns or medical risks to the person (e.g., prolonged struggle, extreme agitation, impaired respiration) that may have occurred prior to, or during, transportation to the jail.

### 306.4 APPLICATION OF HANDCUFFS OR PLASTIC CUFFS

Handcuffs, including temporary nylon or plastic cuffs, may be used only to restrain a person's hands to ensure officer safety.

Although recommended for most arrest situations, handcuffing is discretionary and not an absolute requirement of the Department. Officers should consider handcuffing any person they reasonably believe warrants that degree of restraint. However, officers should not conclude that in order to avoid risk every person should be handcuffed, regardless of the circumstances.

In most situations, handcuffs should be applied with the hands behind the person's back. When feasible, handcuffs should be double-locked to prevent tightening, which may cause undue discomfort or injury to the hands or wrists.

In situations where one pair of handcuffs does not appear sufficient to restrain the person or may cause unreasonable discomfort due to the person's size, officers should consider alternatives, such as using an additional set of handcuffs or multiple plastic cuffs.

Handcuffs should be removed as soon as it is reasonable or after the person has been searched and is safely confined within a detention facility.

### 306.5 APPLICATION OF SPIT HOODS

Spit hoods are temporary protective devices designed to prevent the wearer from biting and/or transferring or transmitting fluids (saliva and mucous) to others.

Spit hoods may be placed upon persons in custody when the officer reasonably believes the person will bite or spit, either on a person or in an inappropriate place. They are generally used during application of a physical restraint, while the person is restrained, or during or after transport.

Officers utilizing spit hoods should ensure that the spit hood is fastened properly to allow for adequate ventilation and that the restrained person can breathe normally.

Officers should provide assistance during the movement of a restrained person due to the potential for impairing or distorting that person's vision. Officers should avoid commingling those wearing spit hoods with other detainees.

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Spit hoods should not be used in situations where the restrained person is bleeding profusely from the area around the mouth or nose, or if there are indications that the person has a medical condition, such as difficulty breathing or vomiting. In such cases, prompt medical care should be obtained. If the person vomits while wearing a spit hood, the spit hood should be promptly removed and discarded. Persons who have been sprayed with oleoresin capsicum (OC) spray should be thoroughly decontaminated, including hair, head, and clothing, prior to application of a spit hood.

Those who have been placed in a spit hood should be continually monitored and shall not be left unattended until the spit hood is removed. Spit hoods shall be discarded after each use.

### 306.6 APPLICATION OF AUXILIARY RESTRAINT DEVICES

Auxiliary restraint devices include transport belts, waist or belly chains, transportation chains, leg irons and other similar devices. Auxiliary restraint devices are intended for use during long-term restraint or transportation. They provide additional security and safety without impeding breathing, while permitting adequate movement, comfort and mobility.

Only department-authorized devices may be used. Any person in auxiliary restraints should be monitored as reasonably appears necessary.

### 306.7 APPLICATION OF LEG RESTRAINT DEVICES

Leg restraints may be used to restrain the legs of a violent or potentially violent person when it is reasonable to do so during the course of detention, arrest, or transportation. Only restraint devices approved by the Department shall be used.

In determining whether to use the leg restraint, officers should consider:

- (a) Whether the officer or others could be exposed to injury due to the assaultive or resistant behavior of a suspect.
- (b) Whether it is reasonably necessary to protect the person from his/her own actions (e.g., hitting his/her head against the interior of the patrol vehicle, running away from the arresting officer while handcuffed, kicking at objects or officers).
- (c) Whether it is reasonably necessary to avoid damage to property (e.g., kicking at windows of the patrol vehicle).

# 306.7.1 GUIDELINES FOR USE OF LEG RESTRAINTS

When applying leg restraints, the following guidelines should be followed:

- (a) If practicable, officers should notify a supervisor of the intent to apply the leg restraint device. In all cases, a supervisor shall be notified as soon as practicable after the application of the leg restraint device.
- (b) Once applied, absent a medical or other emergency, restraints should remain in place until the officer arrives at the jail or other facility or the person no longer reasonably appears to pose a threat.
- (c) Once secured, the person should be placed in a seated or upright position, secured with a seat belt, and shall not be placed on his/her stomach for an extended period, as this could reduce the person's ability to breathe.

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- (d) The restrained person should be continually monitored by an officer while in the leg restraint. The officer should ensure that the person does not roll onto and remain on his/her stomach.
- (e) The officer should look for signs of labored breathing and take appropriate steps to relieve and minimize any obvious factors contributing to this condition.
- (f) When transported by emergency medical services, the restrained person should be accompanied by an officer when requested by medical personnel. The transporting officer should describe to medical personnel any unusual behaviors or other circumstances the officer reasonably believes would be potential safety or medical risks to the subject (e.g., prolonged struggle, extreme agitation, impaired respiration).

### 306.8 REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

If a person is restrained and released without an arrest, the officer shall document the details of the detention and the need for handcuffs or other restraints.

If a person is arrested, the use of handcuffs or other restraints shall be documented in the related report.

Officers should document the following information in reports, as appropriate, when restraints other than handcuffs are used on a person:

- (a) The factors that led to the decision to use restraints.
- (b) Supervisor notification and approval of restraint use.
- (c) The types of restraint used.
- (d) The amount of time the person was restrained.
- (e) How the person was transported and the position of the person during transport.
- (f) Observations of the person's behavior and any signs of physiological problems.
- (g) Any known or suspected drug use or other medical problems.

### 306.9 TRAINING

Subject to available resources, the Training Sergeant should ensure that officers receive periodic training on the proper use of handcuffs and other restraints, including:

- (a) Proper placement and fit of handcuffs and other restraint devices approved for use by the Department.
- (b) Response to complaints of pain by restrained persons.
- (c) Options for restraining those who may be pregnant without the use of leg irons, waist chains, or handcuffs behind the body.
- (d) Options for restraining amputees or those with medical conditions or other physical conditions that may be aggravated by being restrained.

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# **Control Devices and Techniques**

# 308.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for the use and maintenance of control devices that are described in this policy.

### **308.2 POLICY**

In order to control subjects who are violent or who demonstrate the intent to be violent, the Sweet Home Police Department authorizes officers to use control devices in accordance with the guidelines in this policy and the Use of Force Policy. The Chief of Police may also authorize other positions or individual Department members to use specific control devices.

# 308.3 ISSUING, CARRYING, AND USING CONTROL DEVICES

Control devices described in this policy may be carried and used by members of this department only if the device has been issued by the Department or approved by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

Only officers who have successfully completed department-approved training in the use of any control device are authorized to carry and use the device.

Control devices may be used when a decision has been made to control, restrain, or arrest a subject who is violent or who demonstrates the intent to be violent, and the use of the device appears reasonable under the circumstances. When reasonable, a verbal warning and opportunity to comply should precede the use of these devices.

### 308.4 RESPONSIBILITIES

### 308.4.1 PATROL SERGEANT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Patrol Sergeant may authorize the use of a control device by selected personnel or members of specialized units who have successfully completed the required training.

### 308.4.2 RANGEMASTER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Rangemaster shall control the inventory and issuance of all control devices and shall ensure that all damaged, inoperative, outdated or expended control devices or munitions are properly disposed of, repaired or replaced.

Every control device will be periodically inspected by the Rangemaster or the designated instructor for a particular control device. The inspection shall be documented.

# 308.4.3 USER RESPONSIBILITIES

All normal maintenance, charging or cleaning shall remain the responsibility of personnel using the various devices.

Any damaged, inoperative, outdated or expended control devices or munitions, along with documentation explaining the cause of the damage, shall be returned to the Rangemaster for

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disposition. Damage to City property forms shall also be prepared and forwarded through the chain of command, when appropriate, explaining the cause of damage.

# 308.5 BATON GUIDELINES

The need to immediately control a suspect must be weighed against the risk of causing serious injury. The head, neck, throat, spine, heart, kidneys and groin should not be intentionally targeted except when the officer reasonably believes the suspect poses an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death to the officer or others.

When carrying a baton, uniformed personnel shall carry the baton in its authorized holder on the equipment belt. Plainclothes and non-field personnel may carry the baton as authorized and in accordance with the needs of their assignment or at the direction of their supervisor.

### 308.6 TEAR GAS GUIDELINES

Tear gas may be used for crowd control, crowd dispersal, or against barricaded suspects based on the circumstances.

Only the Patrol Sergeant, Incident Commander, or Crisis Response Unit Commander may authorize the delivery and use of tear gas, and only after evaluating all conditions known at the time and determining that such force reasonably appears justified and necessary.

When practicable, fire personnel should be alerted or summoned to the scene prior to the deployment of tear gas to control any fires and to assist in providing medical aid or gas evacuation if needed.

# 308.7 OLEORESIN CAPSICUM (OC) GUIDELINES

As with other control devices, oleoresin capsicum (OC) spray and pepper projectiles may be considered for use to bring under control an individual or groups of individuals who are engaging in violent behavior. Pepper projectiles and OC spray should not, however, be used against individuals or groups who merely fail to disperse or do not reasonably appear to present a risk to the safety of officers or the public (ORS 181A.708).

#### 308.7.1 OC SPRAY

Uniformed personnel carrying OC spray shall carry the device in its holster on the equipment belt. Plainclothes and non-field personnel may carry OC spray as authorized, in accordance with the needs of their assignment or at the direction of their supervisor.

### 308.7.2 PEPPER PROJECTILE SYSTEMS

Pepper projectiles are plastic spheres that are filled with a derivative of OC powder. Because the compressed gas launcher delivers the projectiles with enough force to burst the projectiles on impact and release the OC powder, the potential exists for the projectiles to inflict injury if they strike the head, neck, spine, or groin. Therefore, personnel using a pepper projectile system should not intentionally target those areas, except when the officer reasonably believes the suspect poses an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death to the officer or others.

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Officers encountering a situation that warrants the use of a pepper projectile system shall notify a supervisor as soon as practicable. A supervisor shall respond to all pepper projectile system incidents where the suspect has been hit or exposed to the chemical agent. The supervisor shall ensure that all notifications and reports are completed as required by the Use of Force Policy.

Each deployment of a pepper projectile system shall be documented. This includes situations where the launcher was directed toward the suspect, whether or not the launcher was used. Unintentional discharges shall be promptly reported to a supervisor and documented on the appropriate report form. Only non-incident use of a pepper projectile system, such as training and product demonstrations, is exempt from the reporting requirement.

### 308.7.3 TREATMENT FOR OC SPRAY EXPOSURE

Persons who have been sprayed with or otherwise affected by the use of OC should be promptly provided with clean water to cleanse the affected areas. Those persons who complain of further severe effects shall be examined by appropriate medical personnel.

### 308.8 POST-APPLICATION NOTICE

Whenever tear gas or OC has been introduced into a residence, building interior, vehicle, or other enclosed area, officers should provide the owners or available occupants with notice of the possible presence of residue that could result in irritation or injury if the area is not properly cleaned. Such notice should include advisement that cleanup will be at the owner's expense. Information regarding the method of notice and the individuals notified should be included in related reports.

# 308.9 KINETIC ENERGY PROJECTILE GUIDELINES

This department is committed to reducing the potential for violent confrontations. Kinetic energy projectiles, when used properly, are less likely to result in death or serious physical injury and can be used in an attempt to de-escalate a potentially deadly situation.

# 308.9.1 DEPLOYMENT AND USE

Only department-approved kinetic energy munitions shall be carried and deployed. Approved munitions may be used to compel an individual to cease his/her actions when such munitions present a reasonable option.

Officers are not required or compelled to use approved munitions in lieu of other reasonable tactics if the involved officer determines that deployment of these munitions cannot be done safely. The safety of hostages, innocent persons and officers takes priority over the safety of subjects engaged in criminal or suicidal behavior.

Circumstances appropriate for deployment include, but are not limited to, situations in which:

- (a) The suspect is armed with a weapon and the tactical circumstances allow for the safe application of approved munitions.
- (b) The suspect has made credible threats to harm him/herself or others.

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- (c) The suspect is engaged in riotous behavior or is throwing rocks, bottles or other dangerous projectiles at people and/or officers.
- (d) There is probable cause to believe that the suspect has already committed a crime of violence and is refusing to comply with lawful orders.

### 308.9.2 DEPLOYMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Before discharging projectiles, the officer should consider such factors as:

- (a) Distance and angle to target.
- (b) Type of munitions employed.
- (c) Type and thickness of subject's clothing.
- (d) The subject's proximity to others.
- (e) The location of the subject.
- (f) Whether the subject's actions dictate the need for an immediate response and the use of control devices appears appropriate.

A verbal warning of the intended use of the device should precede its application, unless it would otherwise endanger the safety of officers or when it is not practicable due to the circumstances. The purpose of the warning is to give the individual a reasonable opportunity to voluntarily comply and to warn other officers and individuals that the device is being deployed.

Officers should keep in mind the manufacturer's recommendations and their training regarding effective distances and target areas. However, officers are not restricted solely to use according to manufacturer recommendations. Each situation must be evaluated on the totality of circumstances at the time of deployment.

The need to immediately incapacitate the subject must be weighed against the risk of causing serious injury or death. The head and neck should not be intentionally targeted, except when the officer reasonably believes the suspect poses an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death to the officer or others (ORS 181A.708).

### 308.9.3 SAFETY PROCEDURES

40mm launchers specifically designated for use with kinetic energy projectiles will be labeled as such and maintained in properly working order so they are available for officer deployment.

Officers who are properly trained and authorized to carry the 40mm launcher, and who are carrying the launcher during their patrol shift, will inspect the launcher and projectiles at the beginning of each shift. Officers will ensure that the launcher is in proper working order, the sights or optics are functioning, and the projectiles are the approved type, and appear to be free from defects.

Any 40mm launcher found to be damaged, or any 40mm duty rounds found defective, will immediately be reported to a supervisor for removal and/or replacement.

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When the 40mm launcher is not in use, the launcher should be kept in it's case, in an approved vehicle mount, or secured in a vehicle. 40 mm launchers should never be left in an unsecured location. 40mm launchers are to be kept loaded, safety on.

# 308.10 TRAINING FOR CONTROL DEVICES

The Training Sergeant shall ensure that all personnel who are authorized to carry a control device have been properly trained and certified to carry the specific control device and are retrained or recertified as necessary.

- (a) Proficiency training shall be monitored and documented by a certified, control-device weapons or tactics instructor.
- (b) All training and proficiency for control devices will be documented in the officer's training file.
- (c) Officers who fail to demonstrate proficiency with the control device or knowledge of this agency's Use of Force Policy will be provided remedial training. If an officer cannot demonstrate proficiency with a control device or knowledge of this agency's Use of Force Policy after remedial training, the officer will be restricted from carrying the control device and may be subject to discipline.

### 308.11 REPORTING USE OF CONTROL DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES

Any application of a control device or technique listed in this policy shall be documented in the related incident report and reported pursuant to the Use of Force Policy.

#### 308.12 CROWD CONTROL GUIDELINES

For the purpose of this section, "crowd control" means an operation in which crowds are managed to prevent the outbreak of violence or physical harm to persons, or in which an assembly, protest, or demonstration is dispersed (ORS 181A.708).

Handheld chemical incapacitants and kinetic impact projectiles as defined by ORS 181A.708 shall not be used for crowd control. Tear gas may be used for crowd control when the Patrol Sergeant, Incident Commander, or [Crisis Response Unit] (SWAT) Commander reasonably believes that the use is necessary to prevent death or serious bodily injury or to bring an objectively dangerous and unlawful situation under control (ORS 181A.708).

Prior to deploying tear gas for crowd control purposes, the Patrol Sergeant, Incident Commander, or SWAT Commander shall direct that the intent to use tear gas be announced twice via reasonable and available means, the second announcement occurring after a reasonable amount of time has elapsed to allow for crowd dispersal (ORS 181A.708).

# 308.12.1 ADDITIONAL CROWD CONTROL CONSIDERATIONS

Officers may not use electronically amplified noise-producing equipment for crowd control except to make announcements, facilitate movement of emergency vehicles, or as otherwise allowed by law. When possible, announcements shall be made both audibly and visually (ORS 181A.708).

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After deploying chemical incapacitants, kinetic impact projectiles, or sound devices in a crowd control operation, and when it is possible to do so safely, officers shall (ORS 181A.708):

- (a) Attempt to take injured individuals to safety or allow them to seek medical help.
- (b) Allow emergency medical personnel to reach injured individuals.
- (c) Take reasonable action to accommodate individuals with disabilities when issuing or enforcing orders to disperse.
- (d) Coordinate the removal of visible debris caused by the use of tear gas and kinetic impact projectiles.
- (e) Make reasonable efforts to notify emergency departments in the vicinity of the type of chemical incapacitants and/or kinetic impact projectiles used.

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# **Conducted Energy Device**

# 309.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for the issuance and use of the conducted energy device (CED).

### **309.2 POLICY**

The CED is used in an attempt to control a violent or potentially violent individual. The appropriate use of such a device may result in fewer serious injuries to officers and suspects.

### 309.3 ISSUANCE AND CARRYING CEDS

Only members who have successfully completed department-approved training may be issued and may carry the CED.

The lead CED instructor should keep a log of issued CED devices and the serial numbers of cartridges/magazines issued to members.

CEDs are issued for use during a member's current assignment. Those leaving a particular assignment may be required to return the device to the department's inventory.

Officers shall only use the CED and cartridges/magazines that have been issued by the Department. Cartridges/magazines should not be used after the manufacturer's expiration date.

Uniformed officers who have been issued the CED shall wear the device in an approved holster.

Officers who carry the CED while in uniform shall carry it in a holster on the side opposite the duty weapon.

- (a) All CEDs shall be clearly distinguishable to differentiate them from the duty weapon and any other device.
- (b) For single-shot devices, whenever practicable, officers should carry an additional cartridge on their person when carrying the CED.
- (c) Officers should not hold a firearm and the CED at the same time.

Non-uniformed officers may secure the CED in a concealed, secure location in the driver's compartment of their vehicles.

### 309.3.1 USER RESPONSIBILITIES

Officers shall be responsible for ensuring that the issued CED is properly maintained and in good working order. This includes a function test and battery life monitoring, as required by the manufacturer, and should be completed prior to the beginning of the officer's shift.

CEDs that are damaged or inoperative, or cartridges/magazines that are expired or damaged, shall be returned to the lead CED instructor for disposition. Officers shall submit documentation stating the reason for the return and how the CED or cartridge/magazine was damaged or became inoperative, if known.

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#### 309.4 VERBAL AND VISUAL WARNINGS

A verbal warning of the intended use of the CED should precede its application, unless it would otherwise endanger the safety of officers or when it is not practicable due to the circumstances. The purpose of the warning is to:

- (a) Provide the individual with a reasonable opportunity to voluntarily comply.
- (b) Provide other officers and individuals with a warning that the CED may be deployed.

If, after a verbal warning, an individual fails to voluntarily comply with an officer's lawful orders and it appears both reasonable and feasible under the circumstances, the officer may, but is not required to, activate any warning on the device, which may include display of the electrical arc, an audible warning, or the laser in a further attempt to gain compliance prior to the application of the CED. The laser should not be intentionally directed into anyone's eyes.

The fact that a verbal or other warning was given or the reasons it was not given shall be documented by the officer deploying the CED in the related report.

#### 309.5 USE OF THE CED

The CED has limitations and restrictions requiring consideration before its use. The CED should only be used when its operator can safely deploy the device within its operational range. Although the CED may be effective in controlling most individuals, officers should be aware that the device may not achieve the intended results and be prepared with other options.

If sufficient personnel are available and can be safely assigned, an officer designated as lethal cover for any officer deploying a CED may be considered for officer safety.

# 309.5.1 APPLICATION OF THE CED

The CED may be used when the circumstances reasonably perceived by the officer at the time indicate that such application reasonably appears necessary to control a person who:

- (a) Is violent or is physically resisting.
- (b) Has demonstrated, by words or action, an intention to be violent or to physically resist, and reasonably appears to present the potential to harm officers, themself, or others.

Mere flight from a pursuing officer, without additional circumstances or factors, is not good cause for the use of the CED to apprehend an individual.

The CED shall not be used to psychologically torment, to elicit statements, or to punish any individual.

# 309.5.2 SPECIAL DEPLOYMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The use of the CED on certain individuals should generally be avoided unless the totality of the circumstances indicates that other available options reasonably appear ineffective or would present a greater danger to the officer, the subject, or others, and the officer reasonably believes that the need to control the individual outweighs the potential risk of using the device. This includes:

(a) Individuals who are known to be pregnant.

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- (b) Elderly individuals or obvious juveniles.
- (c) Individuals with obviously low body mass.
- (d) Individuals who are handcuffed or otherwise restrained.
- (e) Individuals known to have been recently sprayed with a flammable chemical agent or who are otherwise known to be in close proximity to any known combustible vapor or flammable material, including alcohol-based oleoresin capsicum (OC) spray.
- (f) Individuals whose position or activity is likely to result in collateral injury (e.g., falls from height, located in water, operating vehicles).

Any CED capable of being applied in the drive-stun mode (i.e., direct contact without probes as a primary form of pain compliance) should be limited to supplementing the probe-mode to complete the circuit, or as a distraction technique to gain separation between officers and the subject, thereby giving officers time and distance to consider other force options or actions.

### 309.5.3 TARGETING CONSIDERATIONS

Recognizing that the dynamics of a situation and movement of the subject may affect target placement of probes, when practicable, officers should attempt to target the back, lower center mass, and upper legs of the subject, and avoid intentionally targeting the head, neck, area of the heart, or genitals. If circumstances result in one or more probes inadvertently striking an area outside of the preferred target zones, the individual should be closely monitored until examined by paramedics or other medical personnel.

### 309.5.4 MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS OF THE CED

Once an officer has successfully deployed two probes on the subject, the officer should continually assess the subject to determine if additional probe deployments or cycles reasonably appear necessary. Additional factors officers may consider include but are not limited to:

- (a) Whether it is reasonable to believe that the need to control the individual outweighs the potentially increased risk posed by multiple applications.
- (b) Whether the probes are making proper contact.
- (c) Whether the individual has the ability and has been given a reasonable opportunity to comply.
- (d) Whether verbal commands or other options or tactics may be more effective.

Given that on certain devices (e.g., TASER 10<sup>™</sup>) each trigger pull deploys a single probe, the officer must pull the trigger twice to deploy two probes to create the possibility of neuro-muscular incapacitation.

### 309.5.5 ACTIONS FOLLOWING DEPLOYMENTS

Officers should take appropriate actions to control and restrain the individual as soon as reasonably practicable to minimize the need for longer or multiple exposures to the CED. As soon as practicable, officers shall notify a supervisor any time the CED has been discharged. If needed for evidentiary purposes, the expended cartridge, along with any probes and wire, should

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be submitted into evidence (including confetti tags, when equipped on the device). The evidence packaging should be marked "Biohazard" if the probes penetrated the subject's skin.

#### 309.5.6 DANGEROUS ANIMALS

The CED may be deployed against an animal if the animal reasonably appears to pose an imminent threat to human safety.

### 309.5.7 OFF-DUTY CONSIDERATIONS

Officers are not authorized to carry department CEDs while off-duty.

Officers shall ensure that CEDs are secured while in their homes, vehicles, or any other area under their control, in a manner that will keep the device inaccessible to others.

# 309.6 DOCUMENTATION

Officers shall document all CED discharges in the related arrest/crime reports and the CED report forms. Photographs should be taken of any obvious probe impact or drive-stun application sites and attached to the CED report form. Notification shall also be made to a supervisor in compliance with the Use of Force Policy. Unintentional discharges, pointing the device at a person, audible warning, laser activation, and arcing the device, other than for testing purposes, will also be documented on the report form. Data downloads from the CED after use on a subject should be done as soon as practicable using a department-approved process to preserve the data.

### 309.6.1 CED REPORT FORM

As applicable based on the device type, items that shall be included in the CED report form are:

- (a) The brand, model, and serial number of the CED and any cartridge/magazine.
- (b) Date, time, and location of the incident.
- (c) Whether any warning, display, laser, or arc deterred a subject and gained compliance.
- (d) The number of probes deployed, CED activations, the duration of each cycle, the duration between activations, and (as best as can be determined) the duration that the subject received applications.
- (e) The range at which the CED was used.
- (f) The type of mode used (e.g., probe deployment, drive-stun).
- (g) Location of any probe impact.
- (h) Location of contact in drive-stun mode.
- (i) Description of where missed probes went.
- (j) Whether medical care was provided to the subject.
- (k) Whether the subject sustained any injuries.
- (I) Whether any officers sustained any injuries.

The training coordinator should periodically analyze the report forms to identify trends, including deterrence and effectiveness. The training coordinator should also conduct audits of CED

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device data downloaded to an approved location and reconcile CED report forms with recorded activations. CED information and statistics, with identifying information removed, should periodically be made available to the public.

# 309.6.2 REPORTS

The officer should include the following in the arrest/crime report:

- (a) Identification of all personnel firing CEDs
- (b) Identification of all witnesses
- (c) Medical care provided to the subject
- (d) Observations of the subject's physical and physiological actions
- (e) Any known or suspected drug use, intoxication, or other medical problems

### 309.7 MEDICAL TREATMENT

Consistent with local medical personnel protocols and absent extenuating circumstances, only appropriate medical personnel or officers trained in probe removal and handling should remove CED probes from a person's body. Used CED probes shall be treated as a sharps biohazard, similar to a used hypodermic needle, and handled appropriately. Universal precautions should be taken.

All persons who have been struck by CED probes, who have been subjected to the electric discharge of the device, or who sustained direct exposure of the laser to the eyes shall be medically assessed prior to booking. Additionally, any such individual who falls under any of the following categories should, as soon as practicable, be examined by paramedics or other qualified medical personnel:

- (a) The person is suspected of being under the influence of controlled substances and/ or alcohol.
- (b) The person may be pregnant.
- (c) The person reasonably appears to be in need of medical attention.
- (d) The CED probes are lodged in a sensitive area (e.g., groin, female breast, head, face, neck).
- (e) The person requests medical treatment.

Any individual exhibiting signs of distress or who is exposed to multiple or prolonged applications shall be transported to a medical facility for examination or medically evaluated prior to booking. If any individual refuses medical attention, such a refusal should be witnessed by another officer and/ or medical personnel and shall be fully documented in related reports. If an audio/video recording is made of the contact or an interview with the individual, any refusal should be included, if possible.

The transporting officer shall inform any person providing medical care or receiving custody that the individual has been subjected to the application of the CED (see the Medical Aid and Response Policy).

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#### 309.8 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

When possible, supervisors should respond to calls when they reasonably believe there is a likelihood the CED may be used. A supervisor should respond to all incidents where the CED was activated.

A supervisor should review each incident where a person has been exposed to a CED. The device's internal logs should be downloaded by a supervisor or lead CED instructor and saved with the related arrest/crime report. The supervisor should arrange for photographs of probe sites to be taken and witnesses to be interviewed.

#### 309.9 TRAINING

Personnel who are authorized to carry the CED shall be permitted to do so only after successfully completing the initial department-approved training. Any personnel who have not carried the CED as a part of their assignments for a period of six months or more shall be recertified by a qualified CED instructor prior to again carrying or using the device.

Proficiency training for personnel who have been issued CEDs should occur every year. A reassessment of an officer's knowledge and/or practical skills may be required at any time, if deemed appropriate, by the training coordinator. All training and proficiency for CEDs will be documented in the officer's training files.

Command staff, supervisors, and investigators should receive CED training as appropriate for the investigations they conduct and review.

Officers who do not carry CEDs should receive training that is sufficient to familiarize them with the device and with working with officers who use the device.

The training coordinator is responsible for ensuring that all members who carry CEDs have received initial and annual proficiency training. Periodic audits should be used for verification.

Application of CEDs during training could result in injuries and should not be mandatory for certification.

The lead CED instructor should include the following training:

- (a) A review of this policy.
- (b) A review of the Use of Force Policy.
- (c) Performing weak-hand draws or cross-draws until proficient to reduce the possibility of unintentionally drawing and firing a firearm.
- (d) Target area considerations, to include techniques or options to reduce the unintentional application of probes to the head, neck, area of the heart, and groin.
- (e) Scenario-based training, including virtual reality training when available.
- (f) Handcuffing a subject during the application of the CED and transitioning to other force options.
- (g) De-escalation techniques.

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- (h) Restraint techniques that do not impair respiration following the application of the CED.
- (i) Proper use of cover and concealment during deployment of the CED for purposes of officer safety.
- (j) Proper tactics and techniques related to multiple applications of CEDs.

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# Officer-Involved Shootings and Deaths

# 310.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish policy and procedures for the investigation of an incident in which a person is injured or dies as the result of an officer-involved shooting or dies as a result of another action of an officer.

In other incidents not covered by this policy, the Chief of Police may decide that the investigation will follow the process provided in this policy.

### **310.2 POLICY**

The policy of the Sweet Home Police Department is to ensure that officer-involved shootings and deaths are investigated in a thorough, fair and impartial manner.

### 310.3 TYPES OF INVESTIGATIONS

Officer-involved shootings and deaths involve several separate investigations. The investigations may include:

- (a) A criminal investigation of the suspect's actions.
- (b) A criminal investigation of the involved officer's actions.
- (c) An administrative investigation as to policy compliance by involved officers.
- (d) A civil investigation to determine potential liability.

### 310.4 CONTROL OF INVESTIGATIONS

Investigators from surrounding agencies may be assigned to work on the criminal investigation of officer-involved shootings and deaths. This may include at least one investigator from the agency that employs the involved officer.

Jurisdiction is determined by the location of the shooting or death and the agency employing the involved officer. The following scenarios outline the jurisdictional responsibilities for investigating officer-involved shootings and deaths.

# 310.4.1 SWEET HOME POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER\_DEPUTY WITHIN THIS JURISDICTION

The Sweet Home Police Department is responsible for the criminal investigation of the suspect's actions, the civil investigation and the administrative investigation. The criminal investigation of the officer-involved shooting will be conducted by this agency or an inter-agency team as designated in the Linn County Deadly Physical Force Plan in conjunction with the District Attorney's Office. The investigation team shall include at least one police officer from an outside law enforcement agency (ORS 181.789).

# 310.4.2 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION OF OFFICER ACTIONS

The control of the criminal investigation into the involved officer's conduct during the incident will be determined by the employing agency's protocol. When an officer from this department is involved,

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the criminal investigation will include at least one investigator from another law enforcement agency (ORS 181A.790).

Requests made of this department to investigate a shooting or death involving an outside agency's officer shall be referred to the Chief of Police or the authorized designee for approval.

### 310.4.3 SWEET HOME POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER IN ANOTHER JURISDICTION

The agency where the incident occurred has criminal jurisdiction and is responsible for the criminal investigation of the incident. That agency may relinquish its criminal investigation of the suspect(s) to another agency. The Sweet Home Police Department will conduct timely civil and/or administrative investigations.

### 310.4.4 INVESTIGATION RESPONSIBILITY MATRIX

The following table identifies the possible scenarios and responsibilities for the investigation of officer-involved shootings:

|  | Criminal Investigation of Suspect(s) | Criminal<br>Investigation of<br>Officer(s)  | Civil Investigation             | Administrative<br>Investigation                                  |
|--|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|--|
| Sweet Home<br>Police Department<br>Officer in this<br>Jurisdiction | Department                           |   | Sweet Home Police<br>Department | Sweet Home Police<br>Department Internal<br>Affairs Investigator |
| • •  | Sweet Home Police<br>Department      | • •   | Involved Officer's Department   | Involved Officer's Department                                    |
| An officer From<br>this department in<br>Another<br>Jurisdiction   | • ,                                  | Linn County Deadly<br>Physical Force Plan<br>dictated by county<br>where incident<br>occurred | •                               | Sweet Home Police<br>Department Internal<br>Affairs Investigator |

### 310.5 INVESTIGATION PROCESS

The following procedures are guidelines used in the investigation of an officer-involved shooting or death.

# 310.5.1 UNINVOLVED OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon arrival at the scene of an officer-involved shooting or death, the first uninvolved SHPD officer will be the officer-in-charge and will assume the responsibilities of a supervisor until properly relieved. This officer should, as appropriate:

- (a) Secure the scene and identify and eliminate hazards for all those involved.
- (b) Take reasonable steps to obtain emergency medical attention for injured individuals.
- (c) Request additional resources from the Department or other agencies.
- (d) Coordinate a perimeter or pursuit of suspects.

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- (e) Check for injured persons and evacuate as needed.
- (f) Brief the supervisor upon arrival.

### 310.5.2 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon arrival at the scene, the first uninvolved SHPD supervisor should ensure completion of the duties as outlined above, plus:

- (a) Attempt to obtain a brief overview of the situation from any uninvolved officers.
  - In the event that there are no uninvolved officers who can supply adequate overview, the supervisor should attempt to obtain a brief voluntary overview from one involved officer.
- (b) If necessary, the supervisor may administratively order any SHPD officer to immediately provide public safety information necessary to secure the scene, identify injured parties and pursue suspects.
  - 1. Public safety information shall be limited to such things as outstanding suspect information, number and direction of any shots fired, perimeter of the incident scene, identity of known or potential witnesses and any other pertinent information.
  - 2. The initial on-scene supervisor should not attempt to order any involved officer to provide any information other than public safety information.
- (c) Provide all available information to the Patrol Sergeant and Dispatch. If feasible, sensitive information should be communicated over secure networks.
- (d) Take command of and secure the incident scene with additional SHPD members until properly relieved by another supervisor or other assigned personnel or investigator.
- (e) As soon as practicable, ensure that involved officers are transported (separately, if feasible) to a suitable location for further direction.
  - 1. Each involved SHPD officer should be given an administrative order not to discuss the incident with other involved officers or SHPD members pending further direction from a supervisor.
  - 2. When an involved officer's weapon is taken or left at the scene for other than officer-safety reasons (e.g., evidence), ensure that he/she is provided with a comparable replacement weapon or transported by other officers.

### 310.5.3 PATROL SERGEANT RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon learning of an officer-involved shooting or death, the Patrol Sergeant shall be responsible for coordinating all aspects of the incident until he/she is relieved by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander.

All outside inquiries about the incident shall be directed to the Patrol Sergeant.

### 310.5.4 NOTIFICATIONS

The following persons shall be notified as soon as practicable:

Chief of Police

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- Investigation Division Commander
- Linn County Deadly Physical Force Plan rollout team
- Outside agency investigators (if appropriate)
- Internal Affairs Investigator supervisor
- Civil liability response team
- Psychological/peer support personnel
- Chaplain
- Medical Examiner (if necessary)
- Involved officer's agency representative (if requested)
- Public Information Officer

### 310.5.5 DUTY ASSIGNMENT RESTRICTIONS

The Department should not return an involved officer to a duty assignment in which the officer may have to use deadly force for at least 72 hours after an incident where the application of deadly force resulted in the death of a person. The Department shall maintain the regular pay and benefits for any involved officer whose assignment is adjusted pursuant to this section (ORS 181A.790). As it relates to this duty assignment restriction, "involved officer" means (ORS 181A.790):

- (a) An officer whose official conduct, or official order to use deadly physical force, was a cause in fact of the death of a person.
- (b) An officer whose official conduct was not a cause in fact of the death of a person, but who was present before or during the deadly use of force and was reasonably likely exposed to more than a minor degree of stress or trauma.

### 310.6 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

The District Attorney's Office is responsible for the criminal investigation into the circumstances of any officer-involved shooting or death.

If available, investigative personnel from this department may be assigned to partner with investigators from outside agencies or the District Attorney's Office to avoid duplicating efforts in related criminal investigations.

Once public safety issues have been addressed, criminal investigators should be given the opportunity to obtain a voluntary statement from involved officers and to complete their interviews. The following shall be considered for the involved officer:

- (a) SHPD supervisors and Internal Affairs Investigator personnel should not participate directly in any voluntary interview of SHPD officers. This will not prohibit such personnel from monitoring interviews or providing the criminal investigators with topics for inquiry.
- (b) If requested, any involved officer will be afforded the opportunity to consult individually with a representative of his/her choosing or an attorney prior to speaking with criminal

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- investigators. However, in order to maintain the integrity of each involved officer's statement, involved officers shall not consult or meet with a representative or an attorney collectively or in groups prior to being interviewed.
- (c) If any involved officer is physically, emotionally or otherwise not in a position to provide a voluntary statement when interviewed by criminal investigators, consideration should be given to allowing a reasonable period for the officer to schedule an alternate time for the interview.
- (d) Any voluntary statement provided by an involved officer will be made available for inclusion in any related investigation, including administrative investigations. However, no administratively coerced statement will be provided to any criminal investigators unless the officer consents.

#### 310.6.1 REPORTS BY INVOLVED SHPD OFFICERS

In the event that suspects remain outstanding or subject to prosecution for related offenses, this department shall retain the authority to require involved SHPD officers to provide sufficient information for related criminal reports to facilitate the apprehension and prosecution of those individuals.

While the involved SHPD officer may write the report, it is generally recommended that such reports be completed by assigned investigators, who should interview all involved officers as victims/witnesses. Since the purpose of these reports will be to facilitate criminal prosecution, statements of involved officers should focus on evidence to establish the elements of criminal activities by suspects. Care should be taken not to duplicate information provided by involved officers in other reports.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to deprive an involved SHPD officer of the right to consult with legal counsel prior to completing any such criminal report.

Reports related to the prosecution of criminal suspects will be processed according to normal procedures but should also be included for reference in the investigation of the officer-involved shooting or death.

# 310.6.2 WITNESS IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVIEWS

Because potential witnesses to an officer-involved shooting or death may become unavailable or the integrity of their statements compromised with the passage of time, a supervisor should take reasonable steps to promptly coordinate with criminal investigators to utilize available law enforcement personnel for the following:

- (a) Identification of all persons present at the scene and in the immediate area.
  - 1. When feasible, a recorded statement should be obtained from those persons who claim not to have witnessed the incident but who were present at the time it occurred.
  - Any potential witness who is unwilling or unable to remain available for a formal interview should not be detained absent reasonable suspicion to detain or probable cause to arrest. Without detaining the individual for the sole purpose

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of identification, attempts to identify the witness prior to his/her departure should be made whenever feasible.

- (b) Witnesses who are willing to provide a formal interview should be asked to meet at a suitable location where criminal investigators may obtain a recorded statement. Such witnesses, if willing, may be transported by a member of the Department.
  - 1. A written, verbal or recorded statement of consent should be obtained prior to transporting a witness. When the witness is a minor, consent should be obtained from the parent or guardian, if available, prior to transportation.
- (c) Promptly contacting the suspect's known family and associates to obtain any available and untainted background information about the suspect's activities and state of mind prior to the incident.

### 310.6.3 INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

Once notified of an officer-involved shooting or death, it shall be the responsibility of the designated Detective Unit supervisor to assign appropriate investigative personnel to handle the investigation of related crimes. Department investigators will be assigned to work with investigators from the District Attorney's Office and may be assigned to separately handle the investigation of any related crimes not being investigated by the District Attorney's Office.

All related department reports, except administrative and/or privileged reports, will be forwarded to the designated Detective Unit supervisor for approval. Privileged reports shall be maintained exclusively by members who are authorized such access. Administrative reports will be forwarded to the appropriate Division Commander.

# 310.7 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION

In addition to all other investigations associated with an officer-involved shooting or death, this department will conduct an internal administrative investigation of involved SHPD officers to determine conformance with department policy. This investigation will be conducted under the supervision of the Internal Affairs Investigator and will be considered a confidential officer personnel file.

Interviews of members shall be subject to department policies and applicable laws.

- (a) Any officer involved in a shooting or death may be requested or administratively compelled to provide a blood sample for alcohol/drug screening. Absent consent from the officer, such compelled samples and the results of any such testing shall not be disclosed to any criminal investigative agency.
- (b) If any officer has voluntarily elected to provide a statement to criminal investigators, the assigned administrative investigator should review that statement before proceeding with any further interview of that involved officer.
  - 1. If a further interview of the officer is deemed necessary to determine policy compliance, care should be taken to limit the inquiry to new areas with minimal, if any, duplication of questions addressed in the voluntary statement. The involved officer shall be provided with a copy of his/her prior statement before proceeding with any subsequent interviews.

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- (c) In the event that an involved officer has elected not to provide criminal investigators with a voluntary statement, the assigned administrative investigator shall conduct an administrative interview to determine all relevant information.
  - 1. Although this interview should not be unreasonably delayed, care should be taken to ensure that the officer's physical and psychological needs have been addressed before commencing the interview.
  - If requested, the officer shall have the opportunity to select an uninvolved representative to be present during the interview. However, in order to maintain the integrity of each individual officer's statement, involved officers shall not consult or meet with a representative or attorney collectively or in groups prior to being interviewed.
  - 3. Administrative interviews should be recorded by the investigator. The officer may also record the interview.
  - 4. The officer shall be informed of the nature of the investigation. If an officer refuses to answer questions, he/she should be given his/her *Garrity* rights and ordered to provide full and truthful answers to all questions. The officer shall be informed that the interview will be for administrative purposes only and that the statement cannot be used criminally.
  - 5. The Internal Affairs Investigator shall compile all relevant information and reports necessary for the Department to determine compliance with applicable policies.
  - 6. Regardless of whether the use of force is an issue in the case, the completed administrative investigation shall be submitted to the Use of Force Review Board, which will restrict its findings as to whether there was compliance with the Use of Force Policy.
  - 7. Any other indications of potential policy violations shall be determined in accordance with standard disciplinary procedures.

### 310.8 CIVIL LIABILITY RESPONSE

A member of this department may be assigned to work exclusively under the direction of the legal counsel for the Department to assist in the preparation of materials deemed necessary in anticipation of potential civil litigation.

All materials generated in this capacity shall be considered attorney work product and may not be used for any other purpose. The civil liability response is not intended to interfere with any other investigation but shall be given reasonable access to all other investigations.

### 310.9 AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDINGS

Any officer involved in a shooting or death may be permitted to review available Mobile Audio/Video (MAV), body-worn video, or other video or audio recordings prior to providing a recorded statement or completing reports.

Upon request, non-law enforcement witnesses who are able to verify their presence and their ability to contemporaneously perceive events at the scene of an incident may also be permitted

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to review available MAV, body-worn video, or other video or audio recordings with the approval of assigned investigators or a supervisor.

Any MAV, body-worn and other known video or audio recordings of an incident should not be publicly released during an ongoing investigation without consulting the prosecuting attorney or City Attorney's Office, as appropriate.

#### 310.10 DEBRIEFING

Following an officer-involved shooting or death, the Sweet Home Police Department should conduct both a Critical Incident Stress Debriefing and a tactical debriefing. See the Wellness Program Policy for guidance on Critical Incident Stress Debriefings.

### 310.10.1 TACTICAL DEBRIEFING

A tactical debriefing should take place to identify any training or areas of policy that need improvement. The Chief of Police should identify the appropriate participants. This debriefing should not be conducted until all involved members have provided recorded or formal statements to criminal and/or administrative investigators.

#### 310.11 MEDIA RELATIONS

Any media release shall be prepared with input and concurrence from the supervisor and department representative responsible for each phase of the investigation. Releases will be available to the Patrol Sergeant, Investigation Division Commander and Public Information Officer in the event of inquiries from the media.

No involved SHPD officershall make any comment to the media unless he/she is authorized by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander.

Department members receiving inquiries regarding officer-involved shootings or deaths occurring in other jurisdictions shall refrain from public comment and will direct those inquiries to the agency having jurisdiction and primary responsibility for the investigation.

# 310.12 REPORTING

If the death of an individual resulted from an officer use of deadly force and occurred in the Sweet Home Police Department jurisdiction, the Patrol Division Commander will ensure that the Records Clerk is provided with enough information to meet the reporting requirements to the Department of Justice (ORS 181A.790).

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# **Firearms**

# 312.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for issuing firearms, the safe and legal carrying of firearms, firearms maintenance and firearms training.

This policy does not apply to issues related to the use of firearms that are addressed in the Use of Force or Officer-Involved Shootings and Deaths policies.

This policy only applies to those members who are authorized to carry firearms.

### **312.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will equip its members with firearms to address the risks posed to the public and department members by violent and sometimes well-armed persons. The Sweet Home Police Department will ensure firearms are appropriate and in good working order and that relevant training is provided as resources allow.

# 312.3 AUTHORIZED FIREARMS, AMMUNITION AND OTHER WEAPONS

Members shall only use firearms that are issued or approved by the department and have been thoroughly inspected by the Rangemaster. Except in an emergency or as directed by a supervisor, no firearm shall be carried by a member who has not qualified with that firearm at an authorized department range.

All other weapons not provided by the department, including, but not limited to, edged weapons, chemical or electronic weapons, impact weapons or any weapon prohibited or restricted by law or that is not covered elsewhere by department policy, may not be carried by members in the performance of their official duties without the express written authorization of the member's supervisor. This exclusion does not apply to the carrying of a single folding pocketknife that is not otherwise prohibited by law.

# 312.3.1 HANDGUNS

The authorized department-issued handgun is the Glock 17 and Glock 19.

# 312.3.2 SHOTGUNS

The authorized department-issued shotgun is the Mossberg 590.

# 312.3.3 PATROL RIFLES

The authorized department-issued patrol rifle is the AR-15, 5.56/.223 caliber.

Members may deploy the patrol rifle in any circumstance where the member can articulate a reasonable expectation that the rifle may be needed. Examples of some general guidelines for deploying the patrol rifle may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Situations where the member reasonably anticipates an armed encounter.
- (b) When a member is faced with a situation that may require accurate and effective fire at long range.

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- (c) Situations where a member reasonably expects the need to meet or exceed a suspect's firepower.
- (d) When a member reasonably believes that there may be a need to fire on a barricaded person or a person with a hostage.
- (e) When a member reasonably believes that a suspect may be wearing body armor.
- (f) When authorized or requested by a supervisor.
- (g) When needed to euthanize an animal.

When not deployed, the patrol rifle shall be properly secured consistent with department training in a locking weapons rack in the patrol vehicle.

#### 312.3.4 PERSONALLY OWNED DUTY FIREARMS

Members desiring to carry an authorized but personally owned duty firearm must receive written approval from the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. Once approved, personally owned duty firearms are subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) The firearm shall be in good working order and on the department list of approved firearms.
- (b) The firearm shall be inspected by the Rangemaster prior to being carried and thereafter shall be subject to inspection whenever it is deemed necessary.
- (c) Prior to carrying the firearm, members shall qualify under range supervision and thereafter shall qualify in accordance with the department qualification schedule. Members must demonstrate proficiency and safe handling, and that the firearm functions properly.
- (d) Members shall provide written notice of the make, model, color, serial number and caliber of the firearm to the Rangemaster, who will maintain a list of the information.

# 312.3.5 AUTHORIZED SECONDARY HANDGUN

Members desiring to carry department or personally owned secondary handguns are subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) The handgun shall be in good working order and on the department list of approved firearms.
- (b) Only one secondary handgun may be carried at a time.
- (c) The purchase of the handgun and ammunition shall be the responsibility of the member unless the handgun and ammunition are provided by the department.
- (d) The handgun shall be carried concealed at all times and in such a manner as to prevent unintentional cocking, discharge or loss of physical control.
- (e) The handgun shall be inspected by the Rangemaster prior to being carried and thereafter shall be subject to inspection whenever it is deemed necessary.
- (f) Ammunition shall be the same as department issue. If the caliber of the handgun is other than department issue, the Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall approve the ammunition.

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- (g) Prior to carrying the secondary handgun, members shall qualify under range supervision and thereafter shall qualify in accordance with the department qualification schedule. Members must demonstrate proficiency and safe handling, and that the handgun functions properly.
- (h) Members shall provide written notice of the make, model, color, serial number and caliber of a secondary handgun to the Rangemaster, who will maintain a list of the information.

### 312.3.6 AUTHORIZED OFF-DUTY FIREARMS

The carrying of firearms by members while off-duty is permitted by the Chief of Police but may be rescinded should circumstances dictate (e.g., administrative leave). Members who choose to carry a firearm while off-duty, based on their authority as peace officers, will be required to meet the following guidelines:

- (a) A personally owned firearm shall be used, carried and inspected in accordance with the Personally Owned Duty Firearms requirements in this policy.
  - 1. The purchase of the personally owned firearm and ammunition shall be the responsibility of the member.
- (b) The firearm shall be carried concealed at all times and in such a manner as to prevent unintentional cocking, discharge or loss of physical control.
- (c) It will be the responsibility of the member to submit the firearm to the Rangemaster for inspection prior to being personally carried. Thereafter the firearm shall be subject to periodic inspection by the Rangemaster.
- (d) Prior to carrying any off-duty firearm, the member shall demonstrate to the Rangemaster that he/she is proficient in handling and firing the firearm and that it will be carried in a safe manner.
- (e) The member will successfully qualify with the firearm prior to it being carried.
- (f) Members shall provide written notice of the make, model, color, serial number and caliber of the firearm to the Rangemaster, who will maintain a list of the information.
- (g) If a member desires to use more than one firearm while off-duty, he/she may do so, as long as all requirements set forth in this policy for each firearm are met.
- (h) Members shall only carry department-authorized ammunition.
- (i) When armed, officers shall carry their badges and Sweet Home Police Department identification cards under circumstances requiring possession of such identification.

# 312.3.7 AMMUNITION

Members shall carry only department-authorized ammunition. Members shall be issued fresh duty ammunition in the specified quantity for all department-issued firearms during the member's firearms qualification. Replacements for unserviceable or depleted ammunition issued by the department shall be dispensed by the Rangemaster when needed, in accordance with established policy.

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Members carrying personally owned authorized firearms of a caliber differing from departmentissued firearms shall be responsible for obtaining fresh duty ammunition in accordance with the above, at their own expense.

### 312.4 EQUIPMENT

Firearms carried on- or off-duty shall be maintained in a clean, serviceable condition. Maintenance and repair of authorized personally owned firearms are the responsibility of the individual member.

# 312.4.1 REPAIRS OR MODIFICATIONS

Each member shall be responsible for promptly reporting any damage or malfunction of an assigned firearm to a supervisor or the Rangemaster.

Firearms that are the property of the department or personally owned firearms that are approved for department use may be repaired or modified only by a person who is department-approved and certified as an armorer or gunsmith in the repair of the specific firearm. Such modification or repair must be authorized in advance by the Rangemaster.

Any repairs or modifications to the member's personally owned firearm shall be done at his/her expense and must be approved by the Rangemaster.

#### 312.4.2 HOLSTERS

Only department-approved holsters shall be used and worn by members. Members shall periodically inspect their holsters to make sure they are serviceable and provide the proper security and retention of the handgun.

#### 312.4.3 TACTICAL LIGHTS

Tactical lights may only be installed on a firearm carried on- or off-duty after they have been examined and approved by the Rangemaster. Once the approved tactical lights have been properly installed on any firearm, the member shall qualify with the firearm to ensure proper functionality and sighting of the firearm prior to carrying it.

#### 312.4.4 OPTICS OR LASER SIGHTS

Optics or laser sights may only be installed on a firearm carried on- or off-duty after they have been examined and approved by the Rangemaster. Any approved sight shall only be installed in strict accordance with manufacturer specifications. Once approved sights have been properly installed on any firearm, the member shall qualify with the firearm to ensure proper functionality and sighting of the firearm prior to carrying it.

Except in an approved training situation, a member may only sight in on a target when the member would otherwise be justified in pointing a firearm at the target.

#### 312.5 SAFE HANDLING, INSPECTION AND STORAGE

Members shall maintain the highest level of safety when handling firearms and shall consider the following:

(a) Members shall not unnecessarily display or handle any firearm.

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- (b) Members shall be governed by all rules and regulations pertaining to the use of the range and shall obey all orders issued by the Rangemaster. Members shall not dry fire or practice quick draws except as instructed by the Rangemaster or other firearms training staff.
- (c) Members shall not clean, repair, load or unload a firearm anywhere in the department, except where clearing barrels are present.
- (d) Shotguns or rifles removed from vehicles or the equipment storage room shall be loaded and unloaded in the parking lot and outside of the vehicle, using clearing barrels.
- (e) Members shall not place or store any firearm or other weapon on department premises except where the place of storage is locked. No one shall carry firearms into the jail section or any part thereof when securing or processing an arrestee, but shall place all firearms in a secured location. Members providing access to the jail section to persons from outside agencies are responsible for ensuring firearms are not brought into the jail section.
- (f) Members shall not use any automatic firearm, heavy caliber rifle, gas or other type of chemical weapon or firearm from the armory, except with approval of a supervisor.
- (g) Any firearm authorized by the department to be carried on- or off-duty that is determined by a member to be malfunctioning or in need of service or repair shall not be carried. It shall be promptly presented to the department or a Rangemaster approved by the department for inspection and repair. Any firearm deemed in need of repair or service by the Rangemaster will be immediately removed from service. If the firearm is the member's primary duty firearm, a replacement firearm will be issued to the member until the duty firearm is serviceable.

#### 312.5.1 INSPECTION AND STORAGE

Handguns shall be inspected regularly and upon access or possession by another person. Shotguns and rifles shall be inspected at the beginning of the shift by the member to whom the weapon is issued. The member shall ensure that the firearm is carried in the proper condition and loaded with approved ammunition. Inspection of the shotgun and rifle shall be done while standing outside of the patrol vehicle. All firearms shall be pointed in a safe direction or into clearing barrels.

Personally owned firearms may be safely stored in lockers at the end of the shift. Departmentowned firearms shall be stored in the appropriate equipment storage room. Handguns may remain loaded if they are secured in an appropriate holster. Shotguns and rifles shall be unloaded in a safe manner outside the building and then stored in the appropriate equipment storage room.

#### 312.5.2 STORAGE AT HOME

Members shall ensure that all firearms and ammunition are locked and secured while in their homes, vehicles or any other area under their control, and in a manner that will keep them inaccessible to children and others who should not have access. Members shall not permit department-issued firearms to be handled by anyone not authorized by the department to do so. Members should be aware that negligent storage of a firearm could result in civil liability.

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#### 312.5.3 ALCOHOL AND DRUGS

Firearms shall not be carried by any member, either on- or off-duty, who has consumed an amount of an alcoholic beverage, taken any drugs or medication, or has taken any combination thereof that would tend to adversely affect the member's senses or judgment.

#### 312.6 FIREARMS TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

All members who carry a firearm while on-duty are required to successfully complete training quarterly with their duty firearms. In addition to quarterly training, all members will qualify at least annually with their duty firearms. Members will qualify with off-duty and secondary firearms at least twice a year. Training and qualifications must be on an approved range course.

At least annually, all members carrying a firearm should receive practical training designed to simulate field situations including low-light shooting.

#### 312.6.1 NON-CERTIFICATION OR NON-QUALIFICATION

If any member fails to meet minimum standards for firearms training or qualification for any reason, including injury, illness, duty status or scheduling conflict, that member shall submit a memorandum to his/her immediate supervisor prior to the end of the required training or qualification period.

Those who fail to meet minimum standards or qualify on their first shooting attempt shall be provided remedial training and will be subject to the following requirements:

- (a) Additional range assignments may be scheduled to assist the member in demonstrating consistent firearm proficiency.
- (b) Members shall be given credit for a range training or qualification when obtaining a qualifying score or meeting standards after remedial training.
- (c) No range credit will be given for the following:
  - Unauthorized range make-up
  - 2. Failure to meet minimum standards or qualify after remedial training

Members who repeatedly fail to meet minimum standards will be removed from field assignment and may be subject to disciplinary action.

### 312.7 FIREARM DISCHARGE

Except during training or recreational use, any member who discharges a firearm intentionally or unintentionally, on- or off-duty, shall make a verbal report to his/her supervisor as soon as circumstances permit. If the discharge results in injury or death to another person, additional statements and reports shall be made in accordance with the Officer-Involved Shootings and Deaths Policy. If a firearm was discharged as a use of force, the involved member shall adhere to the additional reporting requirements set forth in the Use of Force Policy.

In all other cases, written reports shall be made as follows:

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- (a) If on-duty at the time of the incident, the member shall file a written report with his/her supervisor or provide a recorded statement to investigators prior to the end of shift, unless otherwise directed.
- (b) If off-duty at the time of the incident, a written report shall be submitted or recorded statement provided no later than the end of the next regularly scheduled shift, unless otherwise directed by a supervisor.

#### 312.7.1 DESTRUCTION OF ANIMALS

Members are authorized to use firearms to stop an animal in circumstances where the animal reasonably appears to pose an imminent threat to human safety and alternative methods are not reasonably available or would likely be ineffective.

In circumstances where there is sufficient advance notice that a potentially dangerous animal may be encountered, department members should develop reasonable contingency plans for dealing with the animal (e.g., fire extinguisher, conducted energy device, oleoresin capsicum (OC) spray, animal control officer). Nothing in this policy shall prohibit any member from shooting a dangerous animal if circumstances reasonably dictate that a contingency plan has failed, becomes impractical, or if the animal reasonably appears to pose an imminent threat to human safety.

#### 312.7.2 INJURED ANIMALS

With the approval of a supervisor, a member may euthanize an animal that is so badly injured that human compassion requires its removal from further suffering and where other dispositions are impractical.

#### 312.7.3 WARNING AND OTHER SHOTS

Generally, shots fired for the purpose of summoning aid are discouraged and may not be discharged unless the member reasonably believes that they appear necessary, effective, and reasonably safe.

Warning shots shall not be used.

#### 312.8 RANGEMASTER DUTIES

The range will be under the exclusive control of the Rangemaster. All members attending will follow the directions of the Rangemaster. The Rangemaster will maintain a roster of all members attending the range and will submit the roster to the training coordinator after each range date. Failure of any member to sign in and out with the Rangemaster may result in non-participation or non-gualification.

The range shall remain operational and accessible to department members during hours established by the department.

The Rangemaster has the responsibility of making periodic inspection, at least once a year, of all duty firearms carried by members of this department to verify proper operation. The Rangemaster has the authority to deem any department-issued or personally owned firearm unfit for service. The member will be responsible for all repairs to his/her personally owned firearm; it will not be returned to service until it has been inspected and approved by the Rangemaster.

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The Rangemaster has the responsibility for ensuring each member meets the minimum requirements during training shoots and, on at least a yearly basis, can demonstrate proficiency in the care, cleaning and safety of all firearms the member is authorized to carry.

The Rangemaster shall complete and submit to the training coordinator documentation of the training courses provided. Documentation shall include the qualifications of each instructor who provides the training, a description of the training provided and, on a form that has been approved by the department, a list of each member who completes the training. The Rangemaster should keep accurate records of all training shoots, qualifications, repairs, maintenance or other records as directed by the training coordinator.

#### 312.9 FLYING WHILE ARMED

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has imposed rules governing law enforcement officers flying armed on commercial aircraft. The following requirements apply to officers who intend to be armed while flying on a commercial air carrier or flights where screening is conducted (49 CFR 1544.219):

- (a) Officers wishing to fly while armed must be flying in an official capacity, not for vacation or pleasure, and must have a need to have the firearm accessible, as determined by the department based on the law and published TSA rules.
- (b) Officers must carry their Sweet Home Police Department identification card, bearing the officer's name, a full-face photograph, identification number, the officer's signature and the signature of the Chief of Police or the official seal of the department and must present this identification to airline officials when requested. The officer should also carry the standard photo identification needed for passenger screening by airline and TSA officials (e.g., driver license, passport).
- (c) The Sweet Home Police Department must submit a National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS) message prior to the officer's travel. If approved, TSA will send the Sweet Home Police Department an NLETS message containing a unique alphanumeric identifier. The officer must present the message on the day of travel to airport personnel as authorization to travel while armed.
- (d) An official letter signed by the Sweet Home Police Department authorizing armed travel may also accompany the officer. The letter should outline the officer's need to fly armed, detail his/her itinerary, and include that the officer has completed the mandatory TSA training for a law enforcement officer flying while armed.
- (e) Officers must have completed the mandated TSA security training covering officers flying while armed. The training shall be given by the department-appointed instructor.
- (f) It is the officer's responsibility to notify the air carrier in advance of the intended armed travel. This notification should be accomplished by early check-in at the carrier's check-in counter.
- (g) Any officer flying while armed should discreetly contact the flight crew prior to take-off and notify them of his/her assigned seat.

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- (h) Discretion must be used to avoid alarming passengers or crew by displaying a firearm. The officer must keep the firearm concealed on his/her person at all times. Firearms are not permitted in carry-on luggage and may not be stored in an overhead compartment.
- (i) Officers should try to resolve any problems associated with flying armed through the flight captain, ground security manager, TSA representative or other management representative of the air carrier.
- (j) Officers shall not consume alcoholic beverages while aboard an aircraft, or within eight hours prior to boarding an aircraft.

#### 312.10 CARRYING FIREARMS OUT OF STATE

Qualified, active, full-time officers of this department are authorized to carry a concealed firearm in all other states subject to the following conditions (18 USC § 926B):

- (a) The officer shall carry his/her Sweet Home Police Department identification card whenever carrying such firearm.
- (b) The officer is not the subject of any current disciplinary action.
- (c) The officer may not be under the influence of alcohol or any other intoxicating or hallucinatory drug.
- (d) The officer will remain subject to this and all other department policies (including qualifying and training).

Officers are cautioned that individual states may enact local regulations that permit private persons or entities to prohibit or restrict the possession of concealed firearms on their property, or that prohibit or restrict the possession of firearms on any state or local government property, installation, building, base or park. Federal authority may not shield an officer from arrest and prosecution in such locally restricted areas.

Active law enforcement officers from other states are subject to all requirements set forth in 18 USC § 926B.

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# **Vehicle Pursuits**

### 314.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for vehicle pursuits in order to protect the safety of involved officers, the public and fleeing suspects.

#### 314.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Blocking or vehicle intercept** - A slow-speed coordinated maneuver where two or more pursuing vehicles simultaneously intercept and block the movement of a suspect vehicle, the driver of which may be unaware of the impending enforcement stop. The goal is containment and preventing a pursuit. Blocking is not a moving or stationary road block.

**Boxing-in** - A tactic designed to stop a suspect's vehicle by surrounding it with law enforcement vehicles and then slowing all vehicles to a stop.

**Pursuit Intervention Technique (PIT)** - A low-speed maneuver designed to cause the suspect vehicle to spin out, stall and come to a stop.

**Ramming** - The deliberate act of contacting a suspect's vehicle with another law enforcement vehicle to functionally damage or otherwise force the suspect's vehicle to stop.

**Roadblocks** - A tactic designed to stop a suspect's vehicle by intentionally placing a law enforcement vehicle or other immovable object in the path of the suspect's vehicle.

**Terminate** - To discontinue a pursuit or stop chasing fleeing vehicles.

**Tire deflation device** - A device designed to puncture the tires of the pursued vehicle.

**Trail** - Following the path of the pursuit at a safe speed while obeying all traffic laws and without activating emergency equipment. If the pursuit is at a slow rate of speed, the trailing vehicle will maintain sufficient distance from the pursuit vehicles so as to clearly indicate an absence of participation in the pursuit.

**Vehicle pursuit** - An event involving one or more law enforcement officers attempting to apprehend a suspect, who is attempting to avoid arrest while operating a vehicle by using high-speed driving or other evasive tactics, such as driving off a highway, turning suddenly or driving in a legal manner but willfully failing to yield to an officer's emergency signal to stop.

#### 314.2 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Vehicle pursuits shall only be conducted using authorized police department emergency vehicles that are equipped with and displaying emergency lighting and sirens as required by law (ORS 801.260).

Officers shall drive with due regard for the safety of all persons and property. However, officers may, when in pursuit of a suspect and provided there is no unreasonable risk to persons and property (ORS 820.300; ORS 820.320):

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- (a) Proceed past a red or stop signal or stop sign but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation.
- (b) Exceed the speed limit.
- (c) Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions.

#### 314.2.1 WHEN TO INITIATE A PURSUIT

Officers are authorized to initiate a pursuit, involving high speed or evasive tactics, only when there is reasonable suspicion to believe the driver or occupant has committed, or is attempting to commit a crime of violence. This may also include in-progress crimes that pose an immediate risk to public safety based on articulable facts known to the officer at the time, such as DUII (supervisors shall use prudent discretion in determining whether a pursuit should continue under these circumstances). Officers may initiate a pursuit for other offenses if the suspect is driving in a legal manner, but willfully failing to yield, if there is no increased risk to the public.

Factors that should be considered, both individually and collectively, when deciding to initiate or continue a pursuit include but are not limited to:

- (a) The seriousness of the known or reasonably suspected crime and its relationship to community safety.
- (b) The importance of protecting the public and balancing the known or reasonably suspected offense and the apparent need for immediate capture against the risks to officers, innocent motorists, and others.
- (c) Apparent nature of the fleeing suspects (e.g., whether the suspects represent a serious threat to public safety).
- (d) The safety of the public in the area of the pursuit, including the type of area, time of day, the amount of vehicular and pedestrian traffic (e.g., school zones), and the speed of the pursuit relative to these factors.
- (e) The pursuing officers' familiarity with the area of the pursuit, the quality of radio communications between the pursuing vehicles and the dispatcher/supervisor, and the driving capabilities of the pursuing officers under the conditions of the pursuit.
- (f) Whether weather, traffic, and road conditions unreasonably increase the danger of the pursuit when weighed against the risks resulting from the suspect's escape.
- (g) Whether the identity of the suspect has been verified and whether there is comparatively minimal risk in allowing the suspect to be apprehended at a later time.
- (h) The performance capabilities of the vehicles used in the pursuit in relation to the speeds and other conditions of the pursuit.
- (i) Emergency lighting and siren limitations on unmarked police department vehicles that may reduce visibility of the vehicle, such as visor or dash-mounted lights, concealable or temporary emergency lighting equipment, and concealed or obstructed siren positioning.
- (j) Vehicle speeds.

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- (k) Other persons in or on the pursued vehicle (e.g., passengers, co-offenders, hostages).
- (I) The availability of other resources such as helicopter assistance.
- (m) Whether the pursuing vehicle is carrying passengers other than on-duty police officers. Pursuits should not be undertaken with an arrestee in the pursuit vehicle unless exigent circumstances exist, and then only after the need to apprehend the suspect is weighed against the safety of the arrestee in transport. A vehicle containing more than a single arrestee should not be involved in a pursuit.

#### 314.2.2 WHEN TO TERMINATE A PURSUIT

Pursuits should be terminated whenever the totality of objective circumstances known or which reasonably ought to be known to the officer or supervisor during the pursuit indicates that the present risks of continuing the pursuit reasonably appear to outweigh the risks resulting from the suspects' escape.

When a supervisor directs the pursuit to be terminated, officers will immediately terminate the pursuit.

The factors listed in this policy on when to initiate a pursuit will apply equally to the decision to terminate a pursuit. Officers and supervisors must objectively and continuously weigh the seriousness of the offense against the potential danger to innocent motorists, themselves, and the public when electing to continue a pursuit. In the context of this policy, the term terminate shall be construed to mean discontinue the pursuit and stop following the fleeing vehicle.

In addition to the factors that govern when to initiate a pursuit, other factors should also be considered in deciding whether to terminate a pursuit, including:

- (a) The distance between the pursuing vehicle and the fleeing vehicle is so great that further pursuit would be futile or require the pursuit to continue for an unreasonable time or distance.
- (b) The pursued vehicle's location is no longer definitely known.
- (c) The pursuing vehicle sustains damage or a mechanical failure that renders it unsafe to drive.
- (d) The pursuing vehicle's emergency lighting equipment or siren becomes partially or completely inoperable.
- (e) Hazards to uninvolved bystanders or motorists.
- (f) The danger that the continued pursuit poses to the public, the officers, or the suspect, balanced against the risk of allowing the suspect to remain at large.
- (g) The identity of the suspect is known and it does not reasonably appear that the need for immediate capture outweighs the risks associated with continuing the pursuit.
- (h) Extended pursuits of suspects for misdemeanors not involving violence or weapons, and who are driving in a legal manner, but willfully failing to yield, are generally discouraged.

#### 314.2.3 SPEED LIMITS

The speed of a pursuit is a factor that should be evaluated on a continuing basis by the officer and supervisor. Evaluation of vehicle speeds shall take into consideration public safety, officer safety and the safety of the occupants of the fleeing vehicle.

Should high vehicle speeds be reached during a pursuit, officers and supervisors shall also consider these factors when determining the reasonableness of the speed of the pursuit:

- (a) Whether the pursuit speeds are unsafe for the surrounding conditions.
- (b) Whether the speeds being reached are beyond the driving ability of the officers.
- (c) Whether the speeds are beyond the capabilities of the police vehicle thus making its operation unsafe.

#### 314.3 PURSUIT VEHICLES

Vehicle pursuits should be limited to three police department emergency vehicles (two pursuit vehicles and the supervisor vehicle). However, the number of vehicles involved will vary with the circumstances.

An officer or supervisor may request additional vehicles to join a pursuit if, after assessing the factors outlined above, it appears that the number of officers involved would be insufficient to safely arrest the number of suspects. All other officers shall stay out of the pursuit but should remain alert to its progress and location. Any officer who drops out of a pursuit may then, if necessary, proceed to the pursuit termination point at legal speeds, following the appropriate rules of the road.

#### 314.3.1 MOTORCYCLES

When involved in a pursuit, police motorcycles should be replaced by marked emergency vehicles as soon as practicable.

#### 314.3.2 VEHICLES WITHOUT EMERGENCY LIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Absent a reasonable alternative, and then only when human life is in immediate danger, department vehicles not equipped with emergency lights and siren are prohibited from initiating or joining in any pursuit. Officers driving units without an overhead light bar should terminate their involvement in any pursuit immediately upon arrival of a sufficient number of emergency police vehicles or any police helicopter. The exemptions provided by ORS 820.300 do not apply to officers using vehicles which do not qualify as emergency vehicles under ORS 801.260.

### 314.3.3 PRIMARY PURSUIT VEHICLE RESPONSIBILITIES

The initial pursuing officer will be designated as the primary pursuit vehicle and will be responsible for the conduct of the pursuit unless the officer is unable to remain reasonably close to the suspect's vehicle. The primary responsibility of the officer initiating the pursuit is the apprehension of the suspect without unreasonable danger to themselves or others.

The primary pursuing officer should notify the dispatcher, commencing with a request for priority radio traffic, that a vehicle pursuit has been initiated, and as soon as practicable provide information including but not limited to:

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- (a) The location, direction of travel, and estimated speed of the suspect's vehicle.
- (b) The description of the suspect's vehicle including the license plate number, if known.
- (c) The reason for the pursuit.
- (d) The use of firearms, threat of force, violence, injuries, hostages, or other unusual hazards.
- (e) The number of occupants and identity or description.
- (f) The weather, road, and traffic conditions.
- (g) The need for any additional resources or equipment.
- (h) The identity of other law enforcement agencies involved in the pursuit.

Until relieved by a supervisor or a secondary pursuing officer, the officer in the primary pursuit vehicle shall be responsible for broadcasting the progress of the pursuit. Unless circumstances reasonably indicate otherwise, the primary pursuing officer should, as soon as practicable, relinquish the responsibility of broadcasting the progress of the pursuit to an officer in a secondary pursuit vehicle or to air support joining the pursuit to minimize distractions and allow the primary pursuing officer to concentrate foremost on safe pursuit tactics.

#### 314.3.4 SECONDARY PURSUIT VEHICLE RESPONSIBILITIES

The second officer in the pursuit will be designated as the secondary pursuit vehicle and is responsible for:

- (a) Immediately notifying the dispatcher of his/her entry into the pursuit.
- (b) Remaining a safe distance behind the primary pursuit vehicle unless directed to assume the role of primary pursuit vehicle, or if the primary pursuit vehicle is unable to continue the pursuit.
- (c) Broadcasting information that the primary pursuing officer is unable to provide.
- (d) Broadcasting the progress of the pursuit, updating known or critical information and providing changes in the pursuit, unless the situation indicates otherwise.
- (e) Identifying the need for additional resources or equipment as appropriate.
- (f) Serving as backup to the primary pursuing officer once the suspect has been stopped.

#### 314.4 SUPERVISORY CONTROL AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Available supervisory and management control will be exercised over all vehicle pursuits involving officers from this department.

The field supervisor of the officer initiating the pursuit, or if unavailable, the nearest field supervisor will be responsible for:

(a) Immediately notifying involved officers and the dispatcher of supervisor presence and ascertaining all reasonably available information to continuously assess the situation and risk factors associated with the pursuit. This is in order to ensure that the pursuit is conducted within established department guidelines.

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- (b) Engaging in the pursuit, when appropriate, to provide on-scene supervision.
- (c) Exercising management and control of the pursuit even if not engaged in it.
- (d) Ensuring that no more than the required law enforcement vehicles are involved in the pursuit under the guidelines set forth in this policy.
- (e) Directing that the pursuit be terminated if, in the field supervisor's judgment, it is not justified to continue the pursuit under the guidelines of this policy.
- (f) Ensuring that assistance from air support, canines, or additional resources is requested, if available and appropriate.
- (g) Ensuring that the proper radio channel is being used.
- (h) Ensuring the notification and/or coordination of outside agencies if the pursuit either leaves or is likely to leave the jurisdiction of this department.
- (i) Controlling and managing SHPD officers when a pursuit enters another jurisdiction.
- (j) Preparing a post-pursuit review and documentation of the pursuit as required.

### 314.4.1 PATROL SERGEANT RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon becoming aware that a pursuit has been initiated, the patrol sergeant should monitor and continually assess the situation and ensure the pursuit is conducted within the guidelines and requirements of this policy. The patrol sergeant has the final responsibility for the coordination, control and termination of a vehicle pursuit and shall be in overall command.

The patrol sergeant shall review all pertinent reports for content and forward to the Division Commander.

### 314.5 COMMUNICATIONS

If the pursuit is confined within the city limits, radio communications will be conducted on the primary channel unless instructed otherwise by a supervisor or dispatcher. If the pursuit leaves the jurisdiction of this department or such is imminent, involved officers should, whenever available, switch radio communications to a tactical or emergency channel most accessible by participating agencies.

### 314.5.1 COMMUNICATION CENTER RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon notification or becoming aware that a pursuit has been initiated, the dispatcher is responsible for:

- (a) Clearing the radio channel of nonemergency traffic.
- (b) Coordinating pursuit communications of the involved officers.
- (c) Broadcasting pursuit updates as well as other pertinent information as necessary.
- (d) Ensuring that a patrol sergeant is notified of the pursuit.
- (e) Notifying and coordinating with other involved or affected agencies as practicable
- (f) Assigning an incident number and logging all pursuit activities.

#### 314.6 INTERJURISDICTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

When a pursuit enters another agency's jurisdiction, the primary pursuing officer or supervisor, taking into consideration distance traveled, unfamiliarity with the area, and other pertinent facts, should determine whether or not to request the other agency to assume the pursuit. Unless entry into another jurisdiction is expected to be brief, it is generally recommended that the primary pursuing officer or supervisor ensure that notification is provided to each outside jurisdiction into which the pursuit is reasonably expected to enter, regardless of whether the jurisdiction is expected to assist.

### 314.6.1 ASSUMPTION OF PURSUIT BY ANOTHER AGENCY

Officers will relinquish control of the pursuit when another agency has assumed the pursuit, unless the continued assistance of this department is requested by the agency assuming the pursuit. Upon relinquishing control of the pursuit, the involved officers may proceed, with supervisory approval, to the termination point of the pursuit to assist in the investigation. The supervisor should coordinate such assistance with the assuming agency and obtain any information that is necessary for any reports.

The role and responsibilities of officers at the termination point of a pursuit initiated by this department shall be coordinated with appropriate consideration of the needs of the agency assuming the pursuit.

Notification of a pursuit in progress should not be construed as a request to join the pursuit. Requests to or from another agency to assume a pursuit should be specific. Because of communication limitations between local law enforcement agencies, a request for another agency's assistance will mean that its personnel will assume responsibility for the pursuit. For the same reasons, when a pursuit leaves another jurisdiction and a request for assistance is made to this department, the other agency should relinquish control.

### 314.6.2 PURSUITS EXTENDING INTO THIS JURISDICTION

The agency that initiates a pursuit shall be responsible for conducting the pursuit. Officers from this department should not join a pursuit unless specifically requested to do so by the pursuing agency and with approval from a supervisor. The exception to this is when a single vehicle from the initiating agency is in pursuit. Under this circumstance, an officer from this department may, with supervisor approval, immediately join the pursuit until sufficient vehicles from the initiating agency join the pursuit or until additional information is provided allowing withdrawal from the pursuit.

When a request is made for this department to assist or take over a pursuit that has entered the jurisdiction of this department, the supervisor should consider:

- (a) The public's safety within this jurisdiction.
- (b) The safety of the pursuing officers.
- (c) Whether the circumstances are serious enough to continue the pursuit.
- (d) Whether there is adequate staffing to continue the pursuit.
- (e) The ability to maintain the pursuit.

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As soon as practical, a supervisor or the patrol sergeant should review a request for assistance from another agency. The patrol sergeant or supervisor, after consideration of the above factors, may decline to assist in, or assume the other agency's pursuit.

Assistance to a pursuing agency by officers of this department will conclude at the city limits, provided that the pursuing agency has sufficient assistance from other sources. Ongoing participation from this department may continue only until sufficient assistance is present.

In the event that the termination point of a pursuit from another agency is within this jurisdiction, officers shall provide appropriate assistance, including, but not limited to, scene control, coordination and completion of supplemental reports and any other assistance requested or needed.

#### 314.7 PURSUIT INTERVENTION

Pursuit intervention is an attempt to stop the suspect's ability to continue to flee in a vehicle through tactical application of technology, tire deflation devices, blocking or vehicle intercept, boxing-in, the PIT, ramming or roadblock procedures.

### 314.7.1 WHEN USE IS AUTHORIZED

Whenever practicable, an officer shall seek approval from a supervisor before employing any intervention to stop the pursued vehicle. In deciding whether to use intervention tactics, officers/ supervisors should balance the risk of allowing the pursuit to continue with the potential hazards arising from the use of each tactic to the public, the officers and persons in or on the pursued vehicle. With this in mind, the decision to use any intervention tactic should be reasonable in light of the circumstances apparent to the officers at the time of the decision.

It is imperative that officers act within the bounds of legality, good judgment and accepted practices.

#### 314.7.2 USE OF FIREARMS

The use of firearms to disable a pursued vehicle is not generally an effective tactic and involves all the dangers associated with discharging firearms. Officers should not utilize firearms during an ongoing pursuit unless the conditions and circumstances meet the requirements authorizing the use of deadly force. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit any officer from using a firearm to stop a suspect from using a vehicle as a deadly weapon.

#### 314.7.3 INTERVENTION STANDARDS

Any intervention tactic, depending upon the conditions and circumstances under which it is used, may present dangers to the officers, the public, or anyone in or on the vehicle being pursued. Certain applications of intervention tactics may be construed to be a use of force, including deadly force, and are subject to the policies guiding such use. Officers shall consider these facts and requirements prior to deciding how, when, where, and if an intervention tactic should be employed.

(a) Blocking or vehicle intercept should only be considered in cases involving felony suspects or impaired drivers who pose a threat to public safety, and when officers reasonably believe that attempting a conventional enforcement stop will likely result

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in the driver attempting to flee in the vehicle. Because of the potential risks involved this intervention tactic should only be employed by properly trained officers and after giving consideration to the following:

- The need to immediately stop the suspect vehicle or prevent it from leaving (a) substantially outweighs the risk of injury or death to occupants of the suspect vehicle, officers, or others.
- (b) All other reasonable intervention tactics have failed or reasonably appear ineffective.
- (c) Employing the blocking or vehicle intercept maneuver does not unreasonably increase the risk of danger to those involved or the public.
- (d) The suspect vehicle is stopped or traveling at a low speed.
- Only law enforcement vehicles should be used in this tactic. (e)
- The PIT is limited to use by properly trained officers with the approval of a supervisor (b) and upon assessment of the circumstances and conditions presented at the time. including the potential for risk of injury to officers, the public, and occupants of the pursued vehicle.
- (c) Ramming a fleeing vehicle should be done only after other reasonable tactical means at the officer's disposal have been exhausted or would not be effective, and immediate control is necessary. Ramming should be reserved for situations where there does not appear to be another reasonable alternative method. If there does not reasonably appear to be a present or immediately foreseeable serious threat to the public, the use of ramming is not authorized. When ramming is used as a means to stop a fleeing vehicle, the following factors should be present:
  - 1. The suspect is an actual or suspected felon, who reasonably appears to represent a serious threat to the public if not apprehended.
  - 2. The suspect is driving with willful or wanton disregard for the safety of other persons or is driving in a reckless and life-endangering manner or using the vehicle as a weapon.
- (d) Boxing-in a suspect vehicle should only be attempted upon approval of a supervisor. The use of such a tactic must be carefully coordinated with all involved officers, taking into consideration the circumstances and conditions apparent at the time as well as the potential risk of injury to officers, the public and occupants of the pursued vehicle. Officers and supervisors should weigh the potential consequences against the need to immediately stop the vehicle.
- Tire deflation devices should be deployed only after notification of pursuing officers (e) and the supervisor of the intent and location of the deployment, and in a manner that:
  - Should reasonably only affect the pursued vehicle. (a)
  - (b) Provides the deploying officer adequate cover and escape from intentional or unintentional exposure to the approaching vehicle.
  - Takes into account the limitations of such devices as well as the potential risk (c) to officers, the public, and occupants of the pursued vehicle.

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- (d) Takes into account whether the pursued vehicle is a motorcycle, a vehicle transporting hazardous materials, or a school bus transporting children.
- (f) Because roadblocks involve a potential for serious injury or death to occupants of the pursued vehicle if the suspect does not stop, the intentional placement of roadblocks in the direct path of a pursued vehicle is generally discouraged and should not be deployed without prior approval of a supervisor. If roadblocks are deployed, it should only be done under extraordinary conditions when all other reasonable intervention tactics have failed or reasonably appear ineffective and the need to immediately stop the pursued vehicle substantially outweighs the risks of injury or death to occupants of the pursued vehicle, officers, or the public.

### 314.8 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

All appropriate reports shall be completed to comply with appropriate laws and policies or procedures:

- (a) The primary pursuing officer shall complete appropriate crime/arrest reports.
- (b) The primary pursuing officer or supervisor shall complete the appropriate pursuit report.
- (c) After first obtaining the available information, the involved, or if unavailable, on-duty field supervisor shall promptly complete a supervisor's log or interoffice memorandum, briefly summarizing the pursuit to the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. This log or memorandum should include, at a minimum:
  - 1. Date and time of pursuit.
  - 2. Initial reason and circumstances surrounding the pursuit.
  - 3. Length of pursuit in distance and time, including the starting and termination points.
  - Involved vehicles and officers.
  - Alleged offenses.
  - 6. Whether a suspect was apprehended, as well as the means and methods used. Any use of force shall be reported and documented in compliance with the Use of Force Policy.
  - 7. Arrestee information, if applicable.
  - 8. Any injuries and/or medical treatment.
  - 9. Any property or equipment damage.
  - 10. Name of supervisor at the scene or who handled the incident.
  - 11. A preliminary determination that the pursuit appears to be in compliance with this policy or that additional review and/or follow-up is warranted.
  - 12.

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#### 314.8.1 ANNUAL REVIEW

During the first calendar quarter of each year, the Chief of Police or his/her designee will ensure that an annual review of all vehicle pursuit incidents for the previous calendar year is conducted. The analysis will focus on the effectiveness and trends in the use of vehicle pursuits that might suggest training or equipment needs, or policy modification. Specific detail including items such as officer names, case numbers, location of occurrence are not needed for this purpose and therefore will not be part of this process.

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#### 315.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes guidelines for the use of canines to augment law enforcement services to the community including, but not limited to, locating individuals and contraband and apprehending criminal offenders.

#### **315.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that teams of handlers and canines meet and maintain the appropriate proficiency to effectively and reasonably carry out legitimate law enforcement objectives.

#### 315.3 ASSIGNMENT

Canine teams will generally be assigned based on needs of the department.

#### 315.4 CANINE COORDINATOR

The Canine Coordinator shall be appointed by and directly responsible to the Operation Division Captain or the authorized designee. The responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Reviewing all canine use reports to ensure compliance with with policy and to identify training issues and other needs of the program.
- 2. Maintaining a liaison with vendor kennels.
- 3. Maintaining a liaison with command staff and functional supervisors.
- 4. Maintaining a liaison with other agency canine coordinators.
- 5. Maintaining accurate records to document canine activities.
- 6. Recommending and overseeing the procurement of equipment and services for the teams of handlers and canines.
- 7. Scheduling all canine-related activities.
- 8. Ensuring the canine team are scheduled for regular training to maximize their capabilities.

### 315.5 POLICE CANINE EQUIPMENT

The Canine Coordinator will issue the following equipment to canine handlers based on their assignment needs:

A. Patrol Canine Equipment

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- Water dish and water bottle
- 2. Leads (3 various lengths)
- 3. Temperature Control Monitor for Patrol Vehicle
- 4. Remote Door Release
- 5. Muzzle
- 6. Identifying harness
- 7. Bite sleeve
- 8. Electronic training collar
- 9. First aid kit
- A. Drug Detection Canine Equipment
  - 1. Leads (3 various lengths)
  - 2. Temperature Control Monitor for Patrol Vehicle
  - Muzzle
  - 4. Identifying harness
  - 5. Drug training aid locker
  - 6. First aid kit

Additional equipment may be issued at the direction of the Canine Coordinator

#### 315.6 CANINE SELECTION

The Canine Coordinator will be responsible for coordinating the canine selection process. Any canine selected to serve as a member of the Sweet Home Police Department, in any capacity, will be owned by the Sweet Home Police Department. Canine purchases will be contingent upon available funding and approval of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. The Canine Coordinator will be responsible for determining the most suitable option to use for the selection and evaluation of the prospective canine.

- A. The selection and evaluation process will be coordinated through the Oregon Police Canine Association (OPCA), or another canine organization, business, or association approved by the Canine Coordinator.
- B. All pre-service training will be coordinated and approved by the Canine Coordinator. All pre-service training shall meet the established standards for the canine's specific discipline as set by the OPCA or other accredited and recognized animal handling organization.

#### 315.7 REQUEST FOR CANINE TEAMS

Department members are encouraged to request the assistance of a canine team when appropriate.

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All requests for canine assistance from outside agencies must be approved by the on-duty or oncall Shift Supervisor and are subject subject to the following:

- 1. Canine teams shall not be used for any assignment which is not consistent with this policy;
- 2. The canine handler shall have the authority to decline a request for any specific assignment which they feel is unsuitable;
- 3. It shall be the responsibility of the canine handler to coordinate operation with agency personnel in order to minimize the risk of unintended injury;
- 4. It shall be the responsibility of the canine handler to complete all necessary reports or reports as directed

Priority should be given to the use of on-duty canine units from this agency and on-duty canine units from mutual aid agencies prior to the call-out of off-duty Sweet Home Police Department canine units.

All public requests for canine team demonstrations shall be reviewed and, if appropriate, approved by the canine coordinator prior to making any resource commitment.

 The Canine Coordinator and assigned canine team are responsible for obtaining resources and coordinating involvement in the demonstration to include proper safety protocols.

#### 315.8 APPREHENSION GUIDELINES

A canine may be used to locate an apprehend a suspect if the canine handler reasonably believes that the individual has either committed, is committing, or threatening to commit any serious offense and if any of the following conditions exist:

- 1. There is reasonable belief the suspect poses an imminent threat of violence or serious harm to the public, any officer, or the handler.
- 2. The suspect is physically resisting or threatening to resist arrest and the use of a canine reasonably appears to be necessary to overcome such resistance.
- 3. The suspect is believed to be concealed in an area where entry by other than the canine would pose a threat to the safety of officers or the public.
- 4. Any other instance where the canine handler reasonably believes that the use of the canine is appropriate under the circumstances.

Absent a reasonable belief that a suspect has committed, is committing, or is threatening to commit a serious offense, mere flight from a pursuing officer, without any of the above conditions, shall not serve as the basis for the use of canine to apprehend a suspect.

Use of canine to locate and apprehend a suspect wanted for a lessor criminal offense than those identified above requires approval from a Shift Supervisor. Absent a change in circumstances that present an imminent threat to officers, the canine, or the public, such canine use should be conducted on-leach or under conditions that minimize the likelihood the canine will bite or otherwise injure the individual.

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In all applications, once the suspect has been located and no longer reasonably appears to present a threat or risk of escape, the handler should secure the canine as soon as it becomes reasonably practicable.

If the canine has apprehended the suspect with a secure bite, and the handler believes that the suspect no longer poses a threat, the handler should promptly command the canine to release the suspect.

#### 315.8.1 PREPARATION FOR DEPLOYMENT

Prior to the use of a canine to search for or apprehend any suspect, the canine handler and/or the on-scene supervisor should carefully consider all pertinent information reasonably available at the time. The information should include, but not limited to:

- 1. The nature and seriousness of the suspected offense;
- 2. Whether violence or weapons were used or are anticipated;
- 3. The degree of resistance or threatened resistance, if any, shown by the suspect;
- 4. The suspect's known or perceived age;
- 5. The potential for injury to officer of the public caused by the suspect if the canine is not utilized:
- 6. Any potential danger to the public and/or officer at the scene if the canine is released;
- 7. The potential for the suspect to escape or flee if the canine is not utilized.

As circumstances permit, the canine handler should make every reasonable effort to communicate and coordinate with other involved members to minimize the risk of unintended injury.

It is the canine handler's responsibility to evaluate each situation and determine whether the use of a canine is appropriate and reasonable. The canine handler shall have the authority to decline the use of the canine whenever they deem deployment is unsuitable.

A supervisor who is sufficiently apprised of the situation may prohibit deploying a canine.

Unless otherwise directed by a supervisor, assisting members should take direction from the handler to minimize interference with the canine.

### 315.8.2 WARNINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Unless it would increase the risk of injury or escape, a clearly audible warning announcing that a canine will be used if the suspect does not surrender should be made prior to releasing a canine.

- 1. The handler should allow a reasonable amount of time for a suspect to surrender and should quiet the canine momentarily to listen for any verbal response to the warning.
- 2. If feasible, other members should be in a location opposite the warning to verify that the announcement could be heard.
- 3. If available, warnings given in other languages should be used as necessary.

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If a warning is not given, the canine handler, when practicable, should first advise the supervisor of their decision to not issue a warning prior to releasing the canine.

In the event of an apprehension, the canine handler shall document in any related reports how the warning was given and, if no warning was given, the reason(s) why.

### 315.8.3 REPORTING DEPLOYMENTS, BITES, AND INJURIES

Whenever a canine deployment results in a bite or causes injury to an intended suspect, a supervisor should be promptly notified, and the injuries documented in a canine use report.

The injured person shall be promptly treated by emergency medical service personnel and, if appropriate, transported to an appropriate medical facility for further treatment.

The deployment and injuries should also be included in any related incident or arrest report.

If an individual alleges an injury, either visible or not visible, a supervisor shall be notified and both the individual's injured and uninjured areas shall be photographed as soon as practicable after first tending to the immediate needs of the injured party.

 Photographs shall be retained as evidence in accordance with current department evidence procedures. The photographs shall be retained until the criminal proceeding is completed and the time for any related civil proceeding has expired.

Any unintended bite or injury caused by a canine, whether on or off-duty, shall be promptly reported to the Canine Coordinator. Unintended bites or injuries caused by a canine should be documented in an administrative report, not in a canine use report.

If the local public health administrator has exempted this department from the requirement to hold the canine after a bite, the canine handler shall notify the local public health administrator immediately should the canine develop any abnormal behavior within 10 days of biting a person (OAR 333-019-0024).

### 315.9 NON-APPREHENSION GUIDELINES

Properly trained canines may be used to track or search for non-criminals (e.g., lost children, individuals who may be disoriented or in need of medical attention) with Shift Supervisor approval.

- A. The canine handler is responsible for determining the canine's suitability for such assignments based on the conditions and the abilities of the canine.
- B. When the canine is deployed in a search of other non-apprehension operation, the following guidelines apply:
  - Absent a change in circumstances that present an immediate threat to officers, the canine of the public, such applications should be conducted on-leash or under conditions that minimize the likelihood the canine wil bite or otherwise injure the individual, if located.
  - 2. Unless otherwise directed by a supervisor, assisting members should take direction from the handler to minimize interference with the canine.

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- Throughout the deployment the handler is responsible for ensuring that periodic verbal assurances are given that the canine will not bite or hurt the individual and encourage the individual to make themselves known.
- 4. Once the individual has been located, the handler should place the canine in a down-stay or otherwise secure the canine as soon as reasonably practicable.

### 315.9.1 ARTICLE DETECTION

A canine trained to find objects or property related to a person or crime may be used to locate or identify articles.

A canine search should be conducted in a manner that minimizes the likelihood of unintended bites or injuries.

#### 315.9.2 NARCOTICS DETECTION

A canine trained in narcotics detection may be used in accordance with current law and under certain circumstances, including:

- 1. The sniff or search of vehicles, buildings, bags, parcels, and other articles.
- 2. Assisting in search warrant service.
- 3. Deployment seeking probable cause for lawful searches.

# 315.9.3 BOMB/EXPLOSIVE DETECTION

Because of the high risk of danger to the public and officers when a bomb or other explosive device is suspected, the use of a canine team trained in explosive detection may be considered.

When available, an explosive-detection canine team may be used in accordance with current law and under certain circumstances, including:

- 1. Assisting in search of a building, structure, area, vehicle, or article where an actual or suspected explosive device has been reported or located.
- 2. Assisting with searches at transportation facilities and vehicles (e.g., buses, airplanes, trains).
- 3. Preventive sniff or search at special events, VIP visits, official buildings, and other restricted areas.
  - Searches of individuals should remain minimally intrusive and shall be strictly limited to the purpose of detecting explosives.
- 4. Assisting in the search of scenes where an explosion has occurred, and an explosive device or secondary explosive device is suspected.

#### 315.10 HANDLER SELECTION

The minimum qualifications for the assignment of canine handler include:

An officer who is not currently on probation;

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- 2. Residing in an adequately-fenced, single family residence (minimum 5-foot high fence with locking gates), or with another secure area for the dog as approved by the Canine Coordinator:
- 3. Living within five miles from the city limits of Sweet Home.
- 4. Agreeing to be assigned to the position for a minimum of five years.

### 315.11 HANDLER RESPONSIBILITIES

The canine handler shall ultimately be responsible for the health and welfare of the canine and shall ensure that the canine receives proper nutrition, grooming, training, exercise, medical care, affection, and living conditions.

The canine handler will be responsible for the following:

- 1. Except as required during appropriate deployment, the hander shall not expose the canine to any foreseeable and unreasonable risk of harm.
- 2. The handler shall maintain all department equipment under their control in a clean and serviceable condition.
- 3. When a handler is off-duty for an extended number of days, the assigned canine vehicle should be stored at the Sweet Home Police Department.
- 4. Handlers shall permit the Canine Coordinator to conduct spontaneous on-site inspections of affected area of their homes as well as their canine vehicles to verify that conditions and equipment conform to this policy.
- Any changes in the living status of the handler that may affect the lodging or environment of the canine shall be reported to the Canine Coordinator as soon as possible.
- 6. When off-duty, the canine shall be in a kennel provided by the City at the home of the handler. When a canine is kenneled at the handler's home, the gate shall be secured with a lock.
- 7. When off-duty, the canine may be let out of the kennel while under direct supervision and control of the handler.
- 8. The canine should be permitted to socialize in the home with the handler's family for short periods of time and under the direct supervision and control of the handler.
- 9. Under no circumstances will the canine be lodged at another location unless approved by the Canine Coordinator or Shift Supervisor.
- 10. Whenever a canine handler is off-duty for an extended number of days, if may be necessary to temporarily relocate the canine. In those situations, the handler shall give reasonable notice to the Canine Coordinator prior to arrangements being made.
- 11. Handlers shall not violate ORS 167.325 or 167.330, or tether a canine in violation of these statutes to include ORS 167.343.

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#### 315.11.1 POLICE CANINES IN PUBLIC AREAS

The canine should be kept on a leach when in areas that allow access to the public. Exceptions to this rule would include specific law enforcement operations for which the canine is trained.

A canine shall not be left unattended in any area which the public may have access.

When the canine vehicle is left unattended, all windows and doors shall be secured in such a manner as to prevent unauthorized access to the dog. The handler shall also ensure that the unattended vehicle remains inhabitable for the canine.

#### 315.12 CANINE INJURY AND MEDICAL CARE

If a canine is injured, or there is an indication that the canine is not in good physical condition, the injury or condition will be reported to the Canine Coordinator or Shift Supervisor as soon as practicable and appropriately documented.

All medical attention shall be rendered by the designated canine veterinarian or specialist (with Canine Coordinator approval), except during emergency where treatment should be obtained from teh nearest available veterinarian.

All records of medical treatment shall be maintained in the canine team training file.

#### **315.13 TRAINING**

Before assignment in the field, each canine team shall be trained and certified to meet current Oregon Police Canine Association (OPCA) standards.

The Canine Coordinator shall be responsible for scheduling periodic training for all department members to familiarize them with how to conduct themselves in the presence of department canines.

All canine training should be conducted while on-duty unless otherwise approved by the Canine Coordinator or Shift Supervisor.

Each canine team shall thereafter be recertified to OPCA certification standards on an annual basis. Additional training considerations are as follows:

- 1. The Canine Coordinator will schedule canine maintenance training each month to ensure canine teams have continued training opportunities.
- 2. Canine handlers are encouraged to engage in additional training with approval of the Canine Coordinator.
- 3. To ensure that all training is consistent, all canine training requests will be reviewed by the Canine Coordinator.

#### 315.13.1 FAILURE TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE TRAINING

Any canine team failing OPCA canine certification standards, or other accredited or recognized animal handling organization standards, shall not be deployed in the field for tasks the team is not certified to perform until graduation or certification is achieved.

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When reasonably practicable, pending successful certification, the canine handler shall be temporarily reassigned to regular patrol duties.

#### 315.13.2 TRAINING RECORDS

All canine training records shall be maintained in the canine handler's and canine's training file.

#### 315.13.3 TRAINING AIDS

Officers possessing, using, or transporting controlled substances or explosives for canine training purposes must comply with federal and state requirements regarding the same.

Alternatively, the Sweet Home Police Department may work with outside trainers with the applicable license or permits.

### 315.13.4 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE TRAINING AIDS

Officers acting in the performance of their official duties may possess or transfer controlled substances for the purposes of narcotics-detection canine training in compliance with state and federal laws (21 USC § 823(f); ORS 475.135).

The Canine Coordinator may authorize a handler or trainer to seek a court order to allow controlled substance seized by the Sweet Home Police Department to be possessed by the member or trainer who is working under the direction of this department for training purposes, provided the controlled substances are no longer needed as criminal evidence.

As an alternative, the Canine Coordinator may authorize the request of controlled substances training aids from the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA).

These procedures are not required if the canine handler uses commercially available synthetic substances that are not controlled narcotics.

### 315.13.5 CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PROCEDURES

Due to the responsibilities and liabilities involved with possessing readily usable amounts of controlled substances and the ever-present danger of the canine's accidental ingestion of these controlled substances, the following procedures shall be strictly followed:

- 1. All controlled substance training samples shall be weighed and tested prior to dispensing to the individual canine handler or trainer. The Canine Coordinator will verify weights and mark all seals on the packaging.
- 2. All controlled substance training samples will be double packaged to prevent leakage, contamination, or exposure to the canine or handler.
- 3. The weight and test results shall be recorded and maintained by this department.
- 4. All controlled substance training samples will be inspected by the handler or trainer to ensure package integrity to prevent leakage, contamination, and exposure to the canine or handler.
- 5. Any loss or damaged controlled substance training samples shall be reported to the Canine Coordinator immediately.

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- 6. All controlled substance training samples will be stored in airtight and watertight cases always while not being utilized for training.
- 7. The cases shall be secured in a locking container within the canine handler's assigned patrol vehicle, or within an appropriate locked container within the department.
- 8. The Canine Coordinator shall periodically inspect every controlled substance training sample for damage or tampering and take any appropriate action.
- 9. Any usable controlled substance training samples shall be returned to Property and Evidence for disposal. In the case of DEA supplied controlled substance training samples, the documentation of the disposal will be provided to the DEA.

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### 316.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides for the safe and appropriate response to emergency and non-emergency situations whether dispatched or self-initiated.

#### 316.2 RESPONSE TO CALLS

Officers shall proceed to all calls for service as soon as practical and immediately to calls that are of an emergency nature. A code 3 response should be considered when available information reasonably indicates that a person is threatened with injury or death, a felony property crime is in progress, or serious property damage is imminent and a more immediate law enforcement response is needed to mitigate injury, property loss, or to apprehend the suspect(s).

Officers responding Code 3 shall operate emergency lights and siren as is reasonably necessary pursuant to ORS 820.300 and ORS 820.320. Officers shall only use the wail and yelp function of the siren as an emergency sound. The hi-lo function of the siren is not considered an emergency sound pursuant to OAR 735-110-0000(8) and OAR 735-110-0010(1-3).

Responding with emergency light(s) and siren does not relieve the officer of the duty to continue to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons.

ORS 820.320(2) allows officers to omit the use of emergency lights and siren if it reasonably appears that the use of either or both would prevent or hamper the apprehension or detection of a violator. Except as stated in the previous sentence, Officers who fail to use appropriate warning equipment, are not exempt from following the rules of the road (ORS 820.300).

Officers responding to non-emergency calls shall observe all traffic laws and proceed without the use of emergency lights and siren.

#### 316.3 REQUESTING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Requests for emergency assistance should be limited to those situations where the involved personnel reasonably believe that there is an immediate threat to the safety of officers, or assistance is needed to prevent imminent serious harm to a citizen. In any event, where a situation has stabilized and emergency response is not required, the requesting officer shall immediately notify Dispatch.

If circumstances permit, the requesting officer should give the following information:

- The unit number
- The location
- The reason for the request and type of emergency
- The number of units required

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#### 316.3.1 NUMBER OF UNITS ASSIGNED

Normally, only two units should respond to an emergency call Code-3 unless the Patrol Sergeant or the field supervisor authorizes an additional unit(s).

#### 316.4 INITIATING CODE 3 RESPONSE

If an officer believes a Code-3 response to any call is appropriate, the officer shall immediately notify Dispatch. Generally, no more than two units should respond Code-3 to any situation.

### 316.5 RESPONSIBILITIES OF RESPONDING OFFICER(S)

Officers shall exercise sound judgment and care with due regard for life and property when responding to an emergency call. Officers shall reduce speed at all street intersections as may be necessary for safe operation.

The decision to continue a Code-3 response is at the discretion of the officer. If, in the officer's judgment, the roadway conditions or traffic congestion does not permit such a response without unreasonable risk, the officer may elect to respond to the call without the use of emergency lights and siren at the legal speed limit. In such an event, the officer should immediately notify Dispatch. An officer shall also discontinue the Code-3 response when directed by a supervisor.

Upon receiving authorization or determining a Code-3 response is appropriate, an officer shall immediately give the location from which he/she is responding.

### 316.6 COMMUNICATIONS RESPONSIBILITIES

A dispatcher shall assign a Code-3 response when an officer requests emergency assistance or available information reasonably indicates that the public is threatened with serious injury or death and immediate police response is needed. The dispatcher shall:

- (a) Attempt to assign the closest available unit to the location requiring assistance and confirm the location from which the unit is responding
- (b) Notify and coordinate other emergency services (e.g., fire and ambulance)
- (c) Immediately notify the on duty supervisor
- (d) Confirm the location from which the unit is responding
- (e) Continue to obtain and broadcast information as necessary concerning the response and monitor the situation until it is stabilized or terminated
- (f) Control all radio communications during the emergency and coordinate assistance under the direction of a supervisor.

#### 316.7 SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon being notified that a Code-3 response has been initiated, the supervisor shall verify the following:

(a) The proper response has been initiated

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- (b) No more than those units reasonably necessary under the circumstances are involved in the response
- (c) Affected outside jurisdictions are being notified as practical

The supervisor shall monitor the response until it has been stabilized or terminated and assert control by directing units into or out of the response if necessary. If, in the supervisor's judgment, the circumstances require additional units to be assigned a Code-3 response, the supervisor may do so.

It is the supervisor's responsibility to terminate a Code-3 response that, in his/her judgment, is inappropriate due to the circumstances.

When making the decision to authorize a Code-3 response, the supervisor should consider the following:

- The type of call
- The necessity of a timely response
- Traffic and roadway conditions
- The location of the responding units

### 316.8 FAILURE OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

If the emergency equipment on the vehicle should fail to operate, the officer must terminate the Code-3 response and respond accordingly. In all cases, the officer shall notify Dispatch of the equipment failure so that another unit may be assigned to the emergency response.

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# **Domestic Violence**

### 320.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide the guidelines necessary to deter, prevent and reduce domestic violence through vigorous enforcement and to address domestic violence as a serious crime against society. The policy specifically addresses the commitment of this department to take enforcement action when appropriate, to provide assistance to victims and to guide officers in the investigation of domestic violence.

#### 320.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Court order** - All forms of orders related to domestic violence, that have been issued by a court of this state or another, whether civil or criminal, regardless of whether service has been made.

### **320.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department's response to incidents of domestic violence and violations of related court orders shall stress enforcement of the law to protect the victim and shall communicate the philosophy that domestic violence is criminal behavior. It is also the policy of this department to facilitate victims' and offenders' access to appropriate civil remedies and community resources whenever feasible.

#### 320.3 OFFICER SAFETY

The investigation of domestic violence cases often places officers in emotionally charged and sometimes highly dangerous environments. No provision of this policy is intended to supersede the responsibility of all officers to exercise due caution and reasonable care in providing for the safety of any officers and parties involved.

#### 320.4 INVESTIGATIONS

The following guidelines should be followed by officers when investigating domestic violence cases:

- (a) Calls of reported, threatened, imminent, or ongoing domestic violence, and the violation of any court order are of extreme importance and should be considered among the highest response priorities. This includes incomplete 9-1-1 calls.
- (b) When practicable, officers should obtain and document statements from the victim, the suspect, and any witnesses, including children, in or around the household or location of occurrence.
- (c) Officers should list the full name and date of birth (and school if available) of each child who was present in the household at the time of the offense. The names of other children who may not have been in the house at that particular time should also be obtained for follow-up.
- (d) When practicable and legally permitted, video or audio record all significant statements and observations.

- (e) All injuries should be photographed, regardless of severity, taking care to preserve the victim's personal privacy. Where practicable, photographs should be taken by a person of the same sex. Victims whose injuries are not visible at the time of the incident should be asked to contact the Detective Unit in the event that the injuries later become visible.
- (f) Officers should request that the victim complete and sign an authorization for release of medical records related to the incident when applicable.
- (g) If the suspect is no longer at the scene, officers should make reasonable efforts to locate the suspect to further the investigation, provide the suspect with an opportunity to make a statement, and make an arrest or seek an arrest warrant if appropriate.
- (h) Seize any firearms or other dangerous weapons in the home, if appropriate and legally permitted, for safekeeping or as evidence.
- (i) When completing an incident or arrest report for violation of a court order, officers should include specific information that establishes that the offender has been served, including the date the offender was served, the name of the agency that served the order, and the provision of the order that the subject is alleged to have violated. When reasonably available, the arresting officer should attach a copy of the order to the incident or arrest report.
- (j) Officers should take appropriate enforcement action when there is probable cause to believe an offense has occurred. Factors that should not be used as sole justification for declining to take enforcement action include:
  - 1. Whether the suspect lives on the premises with the victim.
  - 2. Claims by the suspect that the victim provoked or perpetuated the violence.
  - 3. The potential financial or child custody consequences of arrest.
  - 4. The physical or emotional state of either party.
  - 5. Use of drugs or alcohol by either party.
  - 6. Denial that the abuse occurred where evidence indicates otherwise.
  - 7. A request by the victim not to arrest the suspect.
  - 8. Location of the incident (public/private).
  - 9. Speculation that the complainant may not follow through with the prosecution.
  - 10. Actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, disability, or marital status of the victim or suspect.
  - 11. The social status, community status, or professional position of the victim or suspect.

### 320.4.1 IF A SUSPECT IS ARRESTED

If a suspect is arrested, officers should:

(a) Advise the victim that there is no guarantee the suspect will remain in custody.

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- (b) Provide the victim's contact information to the jail staff to enable notification of the victim upon the suspect's release from jail.
- (c) Advise the victim whether any type of court order will be in effect when the suspect is released from jail.

#### 320.4.2 IF NO ARREST IS MADE

If no arrest is made, the officer should:

- (a) Advise the parties of any options, including but not limited to:
  - 1. Voluntary separation of the parties.
  - 2. Appropriate resource referrals (e.g., counselors, friends, relatives, shelter homes, victim witness unit).
- (b) Document the resolution in a report.

#### 320.5 VICTIM ASSISTANCE

Victims may be traumatized or confused. Officers should:

- (a) Recognize that a victim's behavior and actions may be affected.
- (b) Provide the victim with the department's domestic violence information handout, even if the incident may not rise to the level of a crime.
- (c) Alert the victim to any available victim advocates, shelters and community resources.
- (d) Stand by for a reasonable amount of time when an involved person requests law enforcement assistance while removing essential items of personal property.
- (e) Seek medical assistance as soon as practicable for the victim if he/she has sustained injury or complains of pain.
- (f) Ask the victim whether he/she has a safe place to stay. Assist in arranging to transport the victim to an alternate shelter if the victim expresses a concern for his/her safety or if the officer determines that a need exists.
- (g) Make reasonable efforts to ensure that children or dependent adults who are under the supervision of the suspect or victim are being properly cared for.
- (h) Seek or assist the victim in obtaining an emergency order if appropriate.

An officer who has probable cause to believe there are circumstances for a mandatory arrest or that a victim is in immediate danger of abuse may apply for an emergency protective order with the consent or permission of the victim (ORS 133.035).

#### 320.5.1 RECORDING OF STATEMENTS

The officer should digitally record statements from the victim and any witnesses, including minor children. Care should be taken to identify the time, date, location, the officer's and recorded person's identity, the case number and an affirmation statement that the conversation is being

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recorded. The suspect should also be recorded, preferably while still at the scene and prior to arrest. In addition to the above, Miranda warnings may be required.

#### 320.6 DISPATCH ASSISTANCE

All calls of domestic violence, including incomplete 9-1-1 calls, should be dispatched as soon as practicable.

Dispatchers are not required to verify the validity of a court order before responding to a request for assistance. Officers should request that dispatchers check whether any of the involved persons are subject to the terms of a court order.

#### 320.7 FOREIGN COURT ORDERS

Various types of orders may be issued in domestic violence cases. Any foreign court order properly issued by a court of another state, Indian tribe or territory shall be enforced by officers as if it were the order of a court in this state. An order should be considered properly issued when it reasonably appears that the issuing court has jurisdiction over the parties and reasonable notice and opportunity to respond was given to the party against whom the order was issued (18 USC § 2265). An otherwise valid out-of-state court order shall be enforced, regardless of whether the order has been properly registered with this state.

### 320.7.1 ENTRY OF FOREIGN COURT ORDERS INTO DATA SYSTEMS

When an individual presents a copy of a foreign restraining order for entry into LEDS, the Sheriff shall enter the order into LEDS and NCIC after promptly verifying (ORS 24.190):

- (a) The validity of the order.
- (b) The order can be enforced pursuant to ORS 24.190.
- (c) The individual restrained has been served a copy of the order or has notice of the order.

#### 320.8 VERIFICATION OF COURT ORDERS

Determining the validity of a court order, particularly an order from another jurisdiction, can be challenging. Therefore, in determining whether there is probable cause to make an arrest for a violation of any court order, officers should carefully review the actual order when available, and, where appropriate and practicable:

- (a) Ask the subject of the order about his/her notice or receipt of the order, his/her knowledge of its terms and efforts to respond to the order.
- (b) Check available records or databases that may show the status or conditions of the order.
- (c) Contact the issuing court to verify the validity of the order.
- (d) Contact a law enforcement official from the jurisdiction where the order was issued to verify information.

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Officers should document in an appropriate report their efforts to verify the validity of an order, regardless of whether an arrest is made. Officers should contact a supervisor for clarification when needed.

### 320.8.1 SERVICE OF COURT ORDERS

Officers should, if requested and practicable, serve any unserved restraining order when called to the scene of a disturbance. Any officer serving such a restraining order shall ensure that a copy of proof of service is returned to the Sheriff for entry into the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) system (ORS 107.720).

### 320.8.2 SERVICE OF EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDERS

An officer who obtains an emergency protective order for a victim shall provide the victim with a certified copy and ensure that a certified copy of the order and the supporting declaration for the order is filed with the court (ORS 133.035).

The officer who obtained the emergency protective order shall serve the respondent personally. Upon completion of the service, the officer shall file a proof of service with the court and ensure that the order is entered into LEDS. If service cannot be completed within one day of the order's entry, the officer shall notify the court (ORS 133.035).

If an officer receives a termination order from the court, the officer shall ensure that the order is promptly removed from LEDS (ORS 133.035).

#### 320.9 STANDARDS FOR ARREST

- (a) Officers who respond to an incident of domestic disturbance and have probable cause to believe an assault has occurred between family or household members as defined in ORS 107.705, or who believe that one such person has created in the other a fear of imminent serious physical injury, shall arrest and take into custody the alleged assailant or potential assailant (ORS 133.055).
- (b) Dual arrests are not required (ORS 133.055). Officers shall make reasonable efforts to identify and arrest the primary assailant in any incident. In identifying the primary assailant, an officer shall consider:
  - 1. The comparative extent of the injuries inflicted or the seriousness of threats creating a fear of physical injury.
  - 2. If reasonably ascertainable, the history of domestic violence between the persons involved.
  - 3. Whether any alleged crime was committed in self-defense.
  - 4. The potential for future assaults.
- (c) Once a suspect has been arrested under the provisions of ORS 133.055, the suspect shall be taken to jail. Officers have no authority to release the arrested person.

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(d) Officers shall arrest and take a suspect into custody when the officer has probable cause to believe that a restraining order or emergency protective order has been issued, a copy of the order and proof of service on the suspect have been filed, and the suspect has violated the terms of the order (ORS 133.310).

#### 320.10 REPORTS AND NOTIFICATIONS

Officers should document in their report that they provided each domestic violence victim with a copy of the department's domestic violence victim information handout (ORS 133.055).

Reporting officers should also provide the victim with the case number of the report. The case number may be placed in the space provided on the domestic violence victim information handout. If the case number is not immediately available, an explanation should be given about how the victim can obtain the information at a later time.

#### 320.10.1 EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDERS

The Records Clerk shall ensure that a system is in place that provides officers at the scene of an alleged violation of an emergency protective order of the terms and existence of the protective order (ORS 133.035).

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# Search and Seizure

#### 322.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Both the federal and state Constitutions provide every individual with the right to be free from unreasonable searches and seizures. This policy provides general guidelines for Sweet Home Police Department personnel to consider when dealing with search and seizure issues.

#### 322.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to respect the fundamental privacy rights of individuals. Members of this department will conduct searches in strict observance of the constitutional rights of persons being searched. All seizures by this department will comply with relevant federal and state law governing the seizure of persons and property.

The Department will provide relevant and current training to officers as guidance for the application of current law, local community standards and prosecutorial considerations regarding specific search and seizure situations, as appropriate.

#### 322.3 SEARCHES

The U.S. Constitution generally provides that a valid warrant is required in order for a search to be valid. There are, however, several exceptions that permit a warrantless search.

Examples of law enforcement activities that are exceptions to the general warrant requirement include, but are not limited to, searches pursuant to the following:

- Valid consent
- Incident to a lawful arrest
- Legitimate community caretaking interests
- Vehicle searches under certain circumstances
- Exigent circumstances

Certain other activities are recognized by federal and state courts and by certain statutes as legitimate law enforcement activities that also do not require a warrant. Such activities may include seizure and examination of abandoned property, and observations of activities and property located on open public areas.

Because case law regarding search and seizure is constantly changing and subject to interpretation by the courts, each member of this department is expected to act in each situation according to current training and his/her familiarity with clearly established rights as determined by case law.

Whenever practicable, officers are encouraged to contact a supervisor to resolve questions regarding search and seizure issues prior to electing a course of action.

#### 322.4 SEARCH PROTOCOL

Although conditions will vary and officer safety and other exigencies must be considered in every search situation; the following guidelines should be followed whenever circumstances permit:

- (a) Members of this department will strive to conduct searches with dignity and courtesy.
- (b) Officers should explain to the person being searched the reason for the search and how the search will be conducted.
- (c) Searches should be carried out with due regard and respect for private property interests and in a manner that minimizes damage. Property should be left in a condition as close as reasonably possible to its pre-search condition.
- (d) In order to minimize the need for forcible entry, an attempt should be made to obtain keys, combinations or access codes when a search of locked property is anticipated.
- (e) When the person to be searched is of the opposite sex as the searching officer, a reasonable effort should be made to summon an officer of the same sex as the subject to conduct the search. When it is not practicable to summon an officer of the same sex as the subject, the following guidelines should be followed:
  - 1. Another officer or a supervisor should witness the search.
  - 2. The officer should not search areas of the body covered by tight-fitting clothing, sheer clothing or clothing that could not reasonably conceal a weapon.

#### 322.5 DOCUMENTATION

Officers are responsible to document any search and to ensure that any required reports are sufficient including, at minimum, documentation of the following:

- Reason for the search
- Any efforts used to minimize the intrusiveness of any search (e.g., asking for consent or keys)
- What, if any, injuries or damage occurred
- All steps taken to secure property
- The results of the search, including a description of any property or contraband seized
- If the person searched is the opposite sex, any efforts to summon an officer of the same sex as the person being searched and the identification of any witness officer

Supervisors shall review reports to ensure the reports are accurate, that actions are properly documented and that current legal requirements and department policy have been met.

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# **Temporary Custody of Juveniles**

#### 324.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines consistent with the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act for juveniles taken into temporary custody by members of the Sweet Home Police Department (34 USC § 11133).

Guidance regarding contacting juveniles at schools or those who may be victims is provided in the Child Abuse Policy.

#### 324.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Juvenile non-offender** - An abused, neglected, dependent, or alien juvenile who may be legally held for his/her own safety or welfare. This includes a juvenile taken into protective custody pursuant to a court order or without an order when there is reasonable cause to believe that (ORS 419B.150; ORS 419B.152):

- (a) An imminent threat of severe harm to the child exists.
- (b) The child poses an imminent threat of severe harm to self or others.
- (c) An imminent threat that the child may be removed from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court exists.
- (d) The child has run away from home.

This also includes any juvenile who may have initially been contacted for an offense that would not subject an adult to arrest (e.g., fine-only offense) but was taken into custody for his/her protection or for purposes of reuniting the juvenile with a parent, guardian, or other responsible person.

**Juvenile offender** - A juvenile under 18 years of age who is alleged to have committed an offense that would subject an adult to arrest (a non-status offense). It also includes a juvenile who possesses a handgun in violation of ORS 166.250 (28 CFR 31.303).

**Non-secure custody** - When a juvenile is held in the presence of an officer or other department member at all times and is not placed in a locked room, cell, or behind any locked doors. Juveniles in non-secure custody may be handcuffed but not to a stationary or secure object. Personal supervision, through direct visual monitoring and audio two-way communication, is maintained. Monitoring through electronic devices, such as video, does not replace direct visual observation.

**Secure custody** - When a juvenile offender is held in a locked room, a set of rooms, or a cell. Secure custody also includes being physically secured to a stationary object.

Examples of secure custody include:

- (a) A juvenile left alone in an unlocked room within the secure perimeter of the adult temporary holding area.
- (b) A juvenile handcuffed to a rail.

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- (c) A juvenile placed in a room that contains doors with delayed egress devices that have a delay of more than 30 seconds.
- (d) A juvenile being processed in a secure booking area when an unsecure booking area is available.
- (e) A juvenile left alone in a secure booking area after being photographed and fingerprinted.
- (f) A juvenile placed in a cell within the adult temporary holding area, whether or not the cell door is locked.
- (g) A juvenile placed in a room that is capable of being locked or contains a fixed object designed for cuffing or restricting movement.

**Sight and sound separation** - Located or arranged to prevent physical, visual, or auditory contact.

**Status offender** - A juvenile suspected of committing a criminal violation of the law that would not be a criminal violation but for the age of the offender. Examples may include running away, underage possession of tobacco, curfew violation, or truancy. A juvenile in custody on a court order or warrant based upon a status offense is also a status offender.

#### **324.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to releasing juveniles from temporary custody as soon as reasonably practicable and keeping juveniles safe while they are in temporary custody at the Sweet Home Police Department. Juveniles should be held in temporary custody only for as long as reasonably necessary for processing, transfer or release.

#### 324.3 JUVENILES WHO SHOULD NOT BE HELD

Juveniles who exhibit any of the following conditions should not be held at the Sweet Home Police Department:

- (a) Unconscious
- (b) Seriously injured
- (c) A known suicide risk or obviously severely emotionally disturbed
- (d) Significantly intoxicated
- (e) Extremely violent or continuously violent

Officers taking custody of a juvenile who exhibits any of the above conditions should take reasonable steps to provide medical attention or mental health assistance and notify a supervisor of the situation.

These juveniles should not be held at the Sweet Home Police Department unless they have been evaluated by a qualified medical and/or mental health professional.

If the officer taking custody of the juvenile believes the juvenile may be a suicide risk, the juvenile shall be under continuous direct supervision until evaluation, release or a transfer is completed.

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#### 324.4 CUSTODY OF JUVENILES

Officers should take custody of a juvenile and temporarily hold the juvenile at the Sweet Home Police Department when there is no other lawful and practicable alternative to temporary custody. Refer to the Child Abuse Policy for additional information regarding detaining a juvenile that is suspected of being a victim.

No juvenile should be held in temporary custody at the Sweet Home Police Department without authorization of the arresting officer's supervisor or the Patrol Sergeant.

Any juvenile taken into custody shall be released to the care of the juvenile's parent or other responsible adult or transferred to a juvenile custody facility or to other authority as soon as practicable and in no event shall a juvenile be held beyond five hours from the time of his/her entry into the Sweet Home Police Department (ORS 419B.160; ORS 419C.130).

#### 324.4.1 CUSTODY OF JUVENILE NON-OFFENDERS

Non-offenders taken into protective custody in compliance with the Child Abuse Policy should generally not be held at the Sweet Home Police Department. Custodial arrangements should be made for non-offenders as soon as reasonably possible (ORS 419B.165; ORS 419B.168; ORS 419B.152). Juvenile non-offenders may not be held in secure custody (34 USC § 11133; ORS 419B.160).

Prior to releasing a non-offender to the noncustodial parent, officers shall run a criminal records check on the noncustodial parent and any adults in the same home as the noncustodial parent (ORS 419B.165).

#### 324.4.2 CUSTODY OF JUVENILE STATUS OFFENDERS

Status offenders should generally be released by citation or with a warning rather than taken into temporary custody. However, officers may take custody of a status offender if requested to do so by a parent or legal guardian in order to facilitate reunification (e.g., transported home or to the station to await a parent). Juvenile status offenders may not be held in secure custody (34 USC § 11133).

#### 324.4.3 CUSTODY OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS

Generally, a juvenile offender may be taken into custody:

- (a) When it reasonably appears that the juvenile is a fugitive from another state (ORS 419C.145).
- (b) When there is a court order endorsed as provided in ORS 419C.306 and directing that the juvenile be taken into custody (ORS 419C.080).
- (c) When, if the juvenile were an adult, he/she could be arrested without a warrant (ORS 419C.080).

An officer shall take a juvenile into custody when the officer has probable cause to believe the juvenile, while in a public building or court facility within the last 120 days, unlawfully possessed a firearm or a destructive device (ORS 419C.080).

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Generally, an officer may issue a citation in lieu of taking the juvenile into custody if a citation may be issued for the same offense and under the same circumstances to an adult. If a citation in lieu of custody is issued, a copy of the citation shall be sent to the District Attorney (ORS 419C.085).

Juvenile offenders should be held in non-secure custody while at the Sweet Home Police Department unless another form of custody is authorized by this policy or is necessary due to exigent circumstances.

#### 324.4.4 COURT NOTIFICATIONS OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS

Whenever a juvenile offender is taken into custody, the officer shall promptly notify the juvenile court or counselor that the juvenile was taken into custody (ORS 419C.091). The officer shall also prepare a written report to be routed to the juvenile court and the District Attorney that includes, at a minimum (ORS 419C.106):

- (a) The juvenile's name, age and address.
- (b) The name and address of the person having legal or physical custody of the juvenile.
- (c) Reasons for, and circumstances under which, the juvenile was taken into custody and, if known, the name and contact information of any victim.
- (d) Efforts taken to notify and release the juvenile to his/her parent, guardian or other person having legal responsibility.
- (e) The date, time, location and to whom the juvenile was released.
- (f) If the juvenile was not released, the reasons why.
- (g) If the juvenile is not released or taken to court, the shelter or place of detention of the juvenile and why the type of placement was chosen.

#### 324.4.5 EXCEPTIONS TO RELEASE OF JUVENILE OFFENDERS

A juvenile offender shall be released to the custody of the juvenile's parent, guardian or other responsible person, except in any of the following circumstances (ORS 419C.100):

- (a) The court has issued a warrant of arrest for the juvenile.
- (b) The officer has probable cause to believe that release of the juvenile may endanger the welfare of the juvenile, the victim or others.
- (c) When the officer has probable cause to believe that the juvenile, while in a public building or court facility within the last 120 days, unlawfully possessed a firearm or destructive device.

If a juvenile offender is not released to the parent, guardian or other responsible person, or to a person identified by the juvenile court, the officer shall take the juvenile to the county juvenile detention facility or appropriate shelter (ORS 419C.103).

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#### 324.5 NOTIFICATION TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN

As soon as practicable after a juvenile is taken into custody, the officer taking the juvenile into custody shall notify the juvenile's parent, guardian or other person responsible for the juvenile of the following (ORS 419B.160; ORS 419C.097):

- (a) Reason the juvenile was taken into custody
- (b) Location where the juvenile is being temporarily detained
- (c) Intended disposition
- (d) Time and place of any hearing

#### 324.6 JUVENILE CUSTODY LOGS

Any time a juvenile is held in custody at the Department, the custody shall be promptly and properly documented in the juvenile custody log, including:

- (a) Identifying information about the juvenile being held.
- (b) Date and time of arrival and release from the Sweet Home Police Department.
- (c) Patrol Sergeant notification and approval to temporarily hold the juvenile.
- (d) Any charges for which the juvenile is being held and classification of the juvenile as a juvenile offender, status offender or non-offender.
- (e) Any changes in status.
- (f) Time of all welfare checks.
- (g) Any medical and other screening requested and completed.
- (h) Circumstances that justify any secure custody.
- (i) Any other information that may be required by other authorities, such as compliance inspectors or a local juvenile court authority.

The Patrol Sergeant shall initial the log to approve the custody, including any secure custody, and shall also initial the log when the juvenile is released.

### 324.6.1 CURFEW VIOLATIONS

Officers may take a youth into custody for curfew violations pursuant to <u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 419C.680.

# 324.6.2 PROCEDURES WHEN CHILD IS IN PROTECTIVE CUSTODY AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

A child taken into protective custody shall, whenever possible, be processed in the field and released to a responsible adult. The officer shall determine if the child will be transported home or released at the scene to an authorized responsible person. If the child is not being transported home and is brought to the police department, the child will NOT be secured to any fixed object

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or secured in a locked room at any time. The child may be escorted into the facility through the sally port and booking room as long as no adults are present.

If the child must be left unattended for any reason, they may be left in the lobby area of the police department. If the child is a runaway, or a flight risk, handcuffs may be applied to their wrists, behind their back. The officer may also, at his/her discretion, temporarily remove the child's shoes and store them until release. The child will be seated within sight of the on-duty Dispatcher and if possible, within view of the security camera. The time the child is brought into the facility, their status, including time of release and to whom, will be documented in the incident report.

When a child in protective custody is left in the lobby, they shall be advised that they are to remain in that area until release. If the child subsequently flees the facility, every attempt will be made to relocate them as soon as possible and they may be charged with any appropriate crime associated with the incident. (Theft of the handcuffs, etc.)

#### 324.7 NO-CONTACT REQUIREMENTS

Sight and sound separation shall be maintained between all juveniles and adults while in custody at the Department (34 USC § 11133). There should also be sight and sound separation between non-offenders and juvenile and status offenders.

In situations where brief or accidental contact may occur (e.g., during the brief time a juvenile is being fingerprinted and/or photographed in booking), a member of the Sweet Home Police Department shall maintain a constant, immediate presence with the juvenile or the adult to minimize any contact. If inadvertent or accidental contact does occur, reasonable efforts shall be taken to end the contact.

#### 324.8 TEMPORARY CUSTODY REQUIREMENTS

Members and supervisors assigned to monitor or process any juvenile at the Sweet Home Police Department shall ensure the following:

- (a) The Patrol Sergeant should be notified if it is anticipated that a juvenile may need to remain at the Sweet Home Police Department more than four hours. This will enable the Patrol Sergeant to ensure no juvenile is held at the Sweet Home Police Department more than five hours.
- (b) A staff member of the same sex shall supervise personal hygiene activities and care, such as changing clothing or using the restroom, without direct observation to allow for privacy.
- (c) Personal visual checks and significant incidents/activities shall be noted on the log.
- (d) There shall be no viewing devices, such as peep holes or mirrors, of which the juvenile is not aware. Therefore, an employee should inform a juvenile under his/her care that the juvenile will be monitored at all times, unless he/she is using the toilet. This does not apply to surreptitious and legally obtained recorded interrogations.
- (e) Juveniles shall have reasonable access to toilets and wash basins.

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- (f) Food should be provided if a juvenile has not eaten within the past four hours or is otherwise in need of nourishment, including any special diet required for the health of the juvenile.
- (g) Juveniles shall have reasonable access to a drinking fountain or water.
- (h) Juveniles shall have reasonable opportunities to stand and stretch, particularly if handcuffed or restrained in any way.
- (i) Juveniles should have privacy during family, guardian and/or lawyer visits.
- (j) Juveniles should be permitted to remain in their personal clothing unless the clothing is taken as evidence or is otherwise unsuitable or inadequate for continued wear while in custody.
- (k) Blankets should be provided as reasonably necessary.
- (I) Adequate shelter, heat, light and ventilation should be provided without compromising security or enabling escape.
- (m) Juveniles shall have adequate furnishings, including suitable chairs or benches.
- (n) Juveniles shall have the right to the same number of telephone calls as an adult in custody.
- (o) No discipline may be administered to any juvenile, nor may juveniles be subjected to corporal or unusual punishment, humiliation or mental abuse.

#### 324.9 USE OF RESTRAINT DEVICES

Juvenile offenders may be handcuffed in accordance with the Handcuffing and Restraints Policy. A juvenile offender may be handcuffed at the Sweet Home Police Department when the juvenile presents a heightened risk. However, non-offenders and status offenders should not be handcuffed unless they are combative or threatening.

Other restraints shall only be used after less restrictive measures have failed and with the approval of the Patrol Sergeant. Restraints shall only be used so long as it reasonably appears necessary for the juvenile's protection or the protection of others.

Juveniles in restraints shall be kept away from other unrestrained juveniles or monitored in such a way as to protect the juvenile from abuse.

### 324.10 PERSONAL PROPERTY

The officer taking custody of a juvenile offender or status offender at the Sweet Home Police Department shall ensure a thorough search of the juvenile's property is made and all property is removed from the juvenile, especially those items that could compromise safety, such as pens, pencils and belts.

The personal property of a juvenile should be placed in a property bag. The property should be inventoried in the juvenile's presence and sealed into the bag. The property should be kept in a

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monitored or secure location until the juvenile is released from the custody of the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 324.11 SECURE CUSTODY

Only juvenile offenders 14 years or older may be placed in secure custody. Patrol Sergeant approval is required before placing a juvenile offender in secure custody.

Secure custody should only be used for juvenile offenders when there is a reasonable belief that the juvenile is a serious risk of harm to him/herself or others.

Members of this department should not use secure custody for convenience when non-secure custody is, or later becomes, a reasonable option.

When practicable, handcuffing one hand of a juvenile offender to a fixed object while otherwise maintaining the juvenile in non-secure custody should be considered as the method of secure custody, rather than the use of a locked enclosure. An employee must be present at all times to ensure the juvenile's safety while secured to a stationary object.

Generally, juveniles should not be secured to a stationary object for more than 60 minutes. Supervisor approval is required to secure a juvenile to a stationary object for longer than 60 minutes and every 30 minutes thereafter. Supervisor approval should be documented.

#### 324.11.1 LOCKED ENCLOSURES

A thorough inspection of the area shall be conducted before placing a juvenile into the enclosure. A second inspection shall be conducted after removing the juvenile. Any damage noted to the room should be photographed and documented in the crime report.

The following requirements shall apply to a juvenile offender who is held inside a locked enclosure:

- (a) The juvenile shall constantly be monitored by an audio/video system during the entire time in custody.
- (b) Juveniles shall have constant auditory access to department members.
- (c) Initial placement into and removal from a locked enclosure shall be logged.
- (d) Random personal visual checks of the juvenile by staff member shall occur no less than every 15 minutes.
  - 1. All checks shall be logged.
  - 2. The check should involve questioning the juvenile as to his/her well-being (sleeping juveniles or apparently sleeping juveniles should be awakened).
  - 3. Requests or concerns of the juvenile should be logged.
- (e) Males and females shall not be placed in the same locked room.
- (f) Juvenile offenders should be separated according to severity of the crime (e.g., felony or misdemeanor).
- (g) Restrained juveniles shall not be mixed in a cell or room with unrestrained juveniles.

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#### 324.12 SUICIDE ATTEMPT, DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY OF A JUVENILE

The Patrol Sergeant will ensure procedures are in place to address the suicide attempt, death or serious injury of any juvenile held at the Sweet Home Police Department. The procedures will address:

- (a) Immediate notification of the on-duty supervisor, Chief of Police and Detective Unit supervisor.
- (b) Notification of the parent, guardian or person standing in loco parentis, of the juvenile.
- (c) Notification of the appropriate prosecutor.
- (d) Notification of the City Attorney.
- (e) Evidence preservation.

#### 324.13 INTERVIEWING OR INTERROGATING JUVENILE SUSPECTS

No interview or interrogation of a juvenile should occur unless the juvenile has the apparent capacity to consent, and does consent to an interview or interrogation. (See the Investigation and Prosecution Policy.)

#### 324.14 RESTRICTION ON FINGERPRINTING AND PHOTOGRAPHING

A juvenile taken into custody under ORS 419C.080 shall be photographed and fingerprinted (ORS 419A.250(2)).

Other juveniles taken into custody may only be fingerprinted or photographed (ORS 419A.250(1)):

- (a) Pursuant to a search warrant.
- (b) According to laws concerning adults if the juvenile has been transferred to criminal court for prosecution.
- (c) Upon consent of both the juvenile and the juvenile's parent after being advised that they are not required to give such consent.
- (d) By order of the juvenile court.

Fingerprints and photographs of juveniles must be kept separate from those of adults. Fingerprints and photographs of juvenile offenders shall be sent to the central state depository in the same manner as fingerprint and photograph files or records of adults. Fingerprints and photographs of other juveniles should not be sent to any central state or federal depository (ORS 419A.250).

#### 324.15 RECORDS

Fingerprint and photograph files or records of juveniles must be kept separate from those of adults (ORS 419A.250).

Reports and other material relating to juveniles is generally considered privileged and may not be disclosed directly or indirectly except as provided in the Records Maintenance and Release Policy.

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Department members should be trained on and familiar with this policy and any supplemental procedures.

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# **Adult Abuse**

#### 326.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the investigation and reporting of suspected abuse of certain adults who may be more vulnerable than others. This policy also addresses mandatory notification for Sweet Home Police Department members as required by law.

#### 326.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Adult abuse** - Any offense or attempted offense involving violence or neglect of an adult victim when committed by a person responsible for the adult's care, or any other act that would mandate reporting or notification to a social service agency or law enforcement.

#### **326.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will investigate all reported incidents of alleged adult abuse and ensure proper reporting and notification as required by law.

#### 326.3 MANDATORY NOTIFICATION

Members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall notify the Department of Human Services (DHS) when a member has reasonable cause to believe that any of the following persons have suffered abuse:

- (a) An elderly adult, age 65 years or older (ORS 124.060)
- (b) An adult with mental illness or developmental disabilities (ORS 430.765)
- (c) A resident of a long-term care facility (ORS 441.640)
- (d) An adult (18 years or older) who is receiving services for a substance use disorder or a mental illness in a state hospital or facility (as defined by ORS 430.735) (ORS 430.765).

Members shall also notify DHS when the member comes in contact with a person who they reasonably believe is abusing any of the above individuals.

For purposes of notification, abuse includes physical injury, neglect, abandonment, verbal abuse, financial exploitation, sexual abuse, sexual offenses, involuntary seclusion, and wrongful use of physical or chemical restraints as provided in ORS 124.050, ORS 430.735, and ORS 441.630.

An adult with mental illness or developmental disabilities means an adult, 18 years or older, with (ORS 430.735):

- (a) A developmental disability who is currently receiving services from a community mental health or developmental disabilities program or facility, as defined by ORS 430.735, or who was previously determined eligible for services as an adult.
- (b) A severe and persistent mental illness who is receiving mental health treatment from any such community program or facility.

#### 326.3.1 NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Notification should occur as follows (ORS 124.065; ORS 430.743; ORS 441.645):

- (a) All notifications to DHS shall be made as soon as practicable by telephone.
- (b) Information provided to DHS shall include, if known:
  - 1. Name, age and address of the person abused
  - 2. Present location of the adult
  - 3. Name and address of the person responsible for the adult
  - 4. Identity of the perpetrator
  - 5. Nature and extent of the abuse and any evidence of previous abuse
  - 6. Any explanation given for the abuse
  - 7. Date of the incident
  - 8. Any other information that may be helpful in establishing the cause of the abuse
- (c) In cases where DHS has notified the Department of a possible crime relating to elder or dependent adult abuse, confirmation of receipt of notification shall be made to DHS.
- (d) DHS shall also be notified whether (ORS 124.070(3); ORS 430.745(7)):
  - 1. There will be no criminal investigation and the explanation of why there will be no such investigation.
  - 2. The investigative findings have been forwarded to the District Attorney for review.
  - 3. A criminal investigation will take place.
- (e) In investigations that substantiate elderly abuse or abuse of a resident in a long-term care facility, DHS shall be notified in writing (ORS 124.070(2); ORS 441.650(2)).
- (f) Upon completion of investigations for dependent adult abuse, DHS shall be provided a written report of the findings and supporting evidence (ORS 430.745(4)).

#### 326.4 QUALIFIED INVESTIGATORS

Qualified investigators should be available to investigate cases of adult abuse. These investigators should:

- (a) Conduct interviews in appropriate interview facilities.
- (b) Be familiar with forensic interview techniques specific to adult abuse investigations.
- (c) Present all cases of alleged adult abuse to the prosecutor for review.
- (d) Coordinate with other enforcement agencies, social service agencies and facility administrators as needed.
- (e) Provide referrals to therapy services, victim advocates, guardians and support for the victim and family as appropriate.

(f) Participate in or coordinate with multidisciplinary investigative teams as applicable (ORS 430.739).

#### 326.5 INVESTIGATIONS AND REPORTING

All reported or suspected cases of adult abuse require investigation and a report, even if the allegations appear unfounded or unsubstantiated. The Department must begin investigations of abuse in a long-term care facility (ORS 441.650):

- Within two hours where a resident's health or safety is in imminent danger or the resident recently died, was hospitalized or was treated in an emergency room.
- Prior to the end of the next working day if circumstances exist that could result in abuse and place the resident's health or safety in imminent danger.

Investigations and reports related to suspected cases of adult abuse should address, as applicable:

- (a) The overall basis for the contact. This should be done by the investigating officer in all circumstances where a suspected adult abuse victim is contacted.
- (b) Any relevant statements the victim may have made and to whom he/she made the statements.
- (c) If a person is taken into protective custody, the reasons, the name and title of the person making the decision, and why other alternatives were not appropriate.
- (d) Documentation of any visible injuries or any injuries identified by the victim. This should include photographs of such injuries, if practicable.
- (e) Whether the victim was transported for medical treatment or a medical examination.
- (f) Whether the victim identified a household member as the alleged perpetrator, and a list of the names of any other potential victims or witnesses who may reside in the residence.
- (g) Identification of any prior related reports or allegations of abuse, including other jurisdictions, as reasonably known.
- (h) Previous addresses of the victim and suspect.
- (i) Other potential witnesses who have not yet been interviewed, such as relatives or others close to the victim's environment.

All investigations into suspected cases of adult abuse shall include a personal visit to the elderly person suspected of being abused (ORS 124.070).

Any unexplained death of an adult who was in the care of a guardian or caretaker should be considered as potential adult abuse and investigated similarly.

#### 326.6 PROTECTIVE CUSTODY

Before taking an adult abuse victim into protective custody when facts indicate the adult may not be able to care for him/herself, the officer should make reasonable attempts to contact DHS. Generally, removal of an adult abuse victim from his/her family, guardian or other responsible

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adult should be left to the welfare authorities when they are present or have become involved in an investigation.

Generally, members of this department should remove an adult abuse victim from his/her family or guardian without a court order only when no other effective alternative is reasonably available and immediate action reasonably appears necessary to protect the victim. Prior to taking an adult abuse victim into protective custody, the officer should take reasonable steps to deliver the adult to another qualified legal guardian, unless it reasonably appears that the release would endanger the victim or result in abduction. If this is not a reasonable option, the officer shall ensure that the adult is delivered to DHS.

Whenever practicable, the officer should inform a supervisor of the circumstances prior to taking an adult abuse victim into protective custody. If prior notification is not practicable, officers should contact a supervisor promptly after taking the adult into protective custody.

When adult abuse victims are under state control, have a state-appointed guardian or there are other legal holdings for guardianship, it may be necessary or reasonable to seek a court order on behalf of the adult victim to either remove the adult from a dangerous environment (protective custody) or restrain a person from contact with the adult.

#### 326.6.1 DHS ASSISTANCE

An officer shall cooperate with DHS when assistance is requested by written notice to gain access to an abused person and the officer believes that there is reasonable cause that a crime has been committed and an emergency exists that requires access to the person to ensure his/her safety (ORS 124.065; ORS 430.743; OAR 411-020-0085).

#### 326.7 INTERVIEWS

#### 326.7.1 PRELIMINARY INTERVIEWS

Absent extenuating circumstances or impracticality, officers should audio record the preliminary interview with a suspected adult abuse victim. Officers should avoid multiple interviews with the victim and should attempt to gather only the information necessary to begin an investigation. When practicable, investigating officers should defer interviews until a person who is specially trained in such interviews is available.

#### 326.7.2 DETAINING VICTIMS FOR INTERVIEWS

An officer should not detain an adult involuntarily who is suspected of being a victim of abuse solely for the purpose of an interview or physical exam without his/her consent or the consent of a guardian unless one of the following applies:

- (a) Exigent circumstances exist, such as:
  - 1. A reasonable belief that medical issues of the adult need to be addressed immediately.
  - 2. A reasonable belief that the adult is or will be in danger of harm if the interview or physical exam is not immediately completed.

- 3. The alleged offender is a family member or guardian and there is reason to believe the adult may be in continued danger.
- (b) A court order or warrant has been issued.

#### 326.8 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

When an adult abuse investigation requires a medical examination, the investigating officer should obtain consent for such examination from the victim, guardian, agency or entity having legal custody of the adult. The officer should also arrange for the adult's transportation to the appropriate medical facility.

In cases where the alleged offender is a family member, guardian, agency or entity having legal custody and is refusing to give consent for the medical examination, officers should notify a supervisor before proceeding. If exigent circumstances do not exist or if state law does not provide for officers to take the adult for a medical examination, the supervisor should consider other government agencies or services that may obtain a court order for such an examination.

#### 326.9 DRUG-ENDANGERED VICTIMS

A coordinated response by law enforcement and social services agencies is appropriate to meet the immediate and longer-term medical and safety needs of an adult abuse victim who has been exposed to the manufacturing, trafficking or use of narcotics.

### 326.9.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Detective Unit supervisor should:

- (a) Work with professionals from the appropriate agencies, including DHS, other law enforcement agencies, medical service providers and local prosecutors, to develop community-specific procedures for responding to situations where there are adult abuse victims endangered by exposure to methamphetamine labs or the manufacture and trafficking of other drugs.
- (b) Activate any available interagency response when an officer notifies the Detective Unit supervisor that he/she has responded to a drug lab or other narcotics crime scene where an adult abuse victim is present or where evidence indicates that an adult abuse victim lives.
- (c) Develop a report format or checklist for use when officers respond to drug labs or other narcotics crime scenes. The checklist will help officers document the environmental, medical, social and other conditions that may affect the adult.

### 326.9.2 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Officers responding to a drug lab or other narcotics crime scene where an adult abuse victim is present or where there is evidence that an adult abuse victim lives should:

- (a) Document the environmental, medical, social and other conditions of the adult, using photography as appropriate and the checklist or form developed for this purpose.
- (b) Notify the Detective Unit supervisor so an interagency response can begin.

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#### 326.10 STATE MANDATES AND OTHER RELEVANT LAWS

Oregon requires or permits the following:

#### 326.10.1 RECORDS DIVISION RESPONSIBILITIES

The Records Division is responsible for:

- (a) Providing a copy of the adult abuse report to DHS as required by law.
- (b) Retaining the original adult abuse report with the initial case file.

#### 326.10.2 RELEASE OF REPORTS

Information related to incidents of adult abuse or suspected adult abuse shall be confidential and may only be disclosed pursuant to state law and the Records Maintenance and Release Policy (ORS 124.090; ORS 430.763; ORS 441.671).

#### **326.11 TRAINING**

The Department should provide training on best practices in adult abuse investigations to members tasked with investigating these cases. The training should include:

- (a) Participating in multidisciplinary investigations, as appropriate.
- (b) Conducting interviews.
- (c) Availability of therapy services for adults and families.
- (d) Availability of specialized forensic medical exams.
- (e) Cultural competence (including interpretive services) related to adult abuse investigations.
- (f) Availability of victim advocates or other support.

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# **Discriminatory Harassment**

#### 328.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to prevent department members from being subjected to discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment and retaliation. Nothing in this policy is intended to create a legal or employment right or duty that is not created by law.

This policy also applies to department elected officials (ORS 243.319).

#### **328.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is an equal opportunity employer and is committed to creating and maintaining a work environment that is free of all forms of discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment and retaliation. The Department will not tolerate discrimination against a member in hiring, promotion, discharge, compensation, fringe benefits, and other privileges of employment. The Department will take preventive and corrective action to address any behavior that violates this policy or the rights and privileges it is designed to protect.

The nondiscrimination policies of the Department may be more comprehensive than state or federal law. Conduct that violates this policy may not violate state or federal law but still could subject a member to discipline.

#### 328.3 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

#### 328.3.1 DISCRIMINATION

The Department prohibits all forms of discrimination, including any employment-related action by a member that adversely affects an applicant or member and is based on actual or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, pregnancy, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, and any other classification or status protected by law (ORS 659A.030; ORS 659A.082; ORS 659A.112).

Discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment, is verbal or physical conduct that demeans or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual based upon that individual's protected class. It has the effect of interfering with an individual's work performance or creating a hostile or abusive work environment.

Conduct that may, under certain circumstances, constitute discriminatory harassment can include making derogatory comments; making crude and offensive statements or remarks; making slurs or off-color jokes; stereotyping; engaging in threatening acts; making indecent gestures, pictures, cartoons, posters, or material; making inappropriate physical contact; or using written material or department equipment and/or systems to transmit or receive offensive material, statements, or pictures. Such conduct is contrary to the department policy and to a work environment that is free of discrimination.

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#### 328.3.2 SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The Department prohibits all forms of discrimination and discriminatory harassment, including sexual harassment. It is unlawful to harass an applicant or a member because of that person's sex.

Sexual harassment includes but is not limited to unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, or other verbal, visual, or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- (a) Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly as a term or condition of employment, position, or compensation.
- (b) Submission to, or rejection of, such conduct is used as the basis for any employment decisions affecting the member.
- (c) Such conduct has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with a member's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment.

#### 328.3.3 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Discrimination and discriminatory harassment do not include actions that are in accordance with established rules, principles, or standards, including:

- (a) Acts or omission of acts based solely upon bona fide occupational qualifications under Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) and the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries' Civil Rights Division.
- (b) Bona fide requests or demands by a supervisor that the member improve the member's work quality or output, that the member report to the job site on time, that the member comply with City or department rules or regulations, or any other appropriate work-related communication between supervisor and member.

#### 328.3.4 RETALIATION

Retaliation is treating a person differently or engaging in acts of reprisal or intimidation against the person because the person has engaged in protected activity, filed a charge of discrimination, participated in an investigation, or opposed a discriminatory practice. Retaliation will not be tolerated.

#### 328.4 RESPONSIBILITIES

This policy applies to all department members, who shall follow the intent of these guidelines in a manner that reflects department policy, professional standards, and the best interest of the Department and its mission.

Members are encouraged to promptly report any discriminatory, retaliatory, or harassing conduct or known violations of this policy to a supervisor. Any member who is not comfortable with reporting violations of this policy to the member's immediate supervisor may bypass the chain of command and make the report to a higher-ranking supervisor or manager. Complaints may also be filed with the Chief of Police, the Personnel Manager, or the City Manager.

Any member who believes, in good faith, that the member has been discriminated against, harassed, or subjected to retaliation, or who has observed harassment, discrimination, or

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retaliation, is encouraged to promptly report such conduct in accordance with the procedures set forth in this policy.

Supervisors and managers receiving information regarding alleged violations of this policy shall determine if there is any basis for the allegation and shall proceed with a resolution as stated below.

### 328.4.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of supervisors and managers shall include but are not limited to:

- (a) Continually monitoring the work environment and striving to ensure that it is free from all types of unlawful discrimination, including harassment, or retaliation.
- (b) Taking prompt, appropriate action within their work units to avoid and minimize the incidence of any form of discrimination, harassment, or retaliation.
  - Unless a member objects in writing, a supervisor designated by the Chief of Police shall follow up with a member once every three months for a year following the date on which the member reported the incident to determine whether the alleged harassment has stopped or if the member has experienced retaliation (ORS 243.321).
- (c) Ensuring that their subordinates understand their responsibilities under this policy.
- (d) Ensuring that members who make complaints or who oppose any unlawful employment practices are protected from retaliation and that such matters are kept confidential to the extent possible.
- (e) Making a timely determination regarding the substance of any allegation based upon all available facts.
- (f) Notifying the Chief of Police or the Personnel Manager in writing of the circumstances surrounding any reported allegations or observed acts of discrimination, harassment, or retaliation no later than the next business day.

#### 328.4.2 SUPERVISOR'S ROLE

Supervisors and managers shall be aware of the following:

- (a) Behavior of supervisors and managers should represent the values of the Department and professional standards.
- (b) False or mistaken accusations of discrimination, harassment, or retaliation can have negative effects on the careers of innocent members.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent supervisors or managers from discharging supervisory or management responsibilities, such as determining duty assignments, evaluating or counseling members, or issuing discipline, in a manner that is consistent with established procedures.

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#### 328.4.3 QUESTIONS OR CLARIFICATION

Members with questions regarding what constitutes discrimination, sexual harassment, or retaliation are encouraged to contact a supervisor, a manager, the Chief of Police, the Personnel Manager, or the City Manager for further information, direction, or clarification.

#### 328.5 INVESTIGATION OF COMPLAINTS

Various methods of resolution exist. During the pendency of any such investigation, the supervisor of the involved member should take prompt and reasonable steps to mitigate or eliminate any continuing abusive or hostile work environment. It is the policy of the Department that all complaints of discrimination, retaliation, or harassment shall be fully documented, and promptly and thoroughly investigated.

#### 328.5.1 SUPERVISOR RESOLUTION

Members who believe they are experiencing discrimination, harassment, or retaliation should be encouraged to inform the individual that the behavior is unwelcome, offensive, unprofessional, or inappropriate. However, if the member feels uncomfortable or threatened or has difficulty expressing the member's concern, or if this does not resolve the concern, assistance should be sought from a supervisor or manager who is a rank higher than the alleged transgressor.

#### 328.5.2 FORMAL INVESTIGATION

If the complaint cannot be satisfactorily resolved through the process described above, a formal investigation will be conducted.

The person assigned to investigate the complaint will have full authority to investigate all aspects of the complaint. Investigative authority includes access to records and the cooperation of any members involved. No influence will be used to suppress any complaint and no member will be subject to retaliation or reprisal for filing a complaint, encouraging others to file a complaint, or for offering testimony or evidence in an investigation (ORS 659A.199).

Formal investigation of the complaint will be confidential to the extent possible and will include but is not limited to details of the specific incident, frequency and dates of occurrences, and names of any witnesses. Witnesses will be advised regarding the prohibition against retaliation, and that a disciplinary process, up to and including termination, may result if retaliation occurs.

Members who believe they have been discriminated against, harassed, or retaliated against because of their protected status are encouraged to follow the chain of command but may also file a complaint directly with the Chief of Police, the Personnel Manager, or the City Manager.

#### 328.5.3 ALTERNATIVE COMPLAINT PROCESS

No provision of this policy shall be construed to prevent any member from seeking legal redress outside the Department. Members who believe that they have been harassed, discriminated against, or retaliated against are entitled to bring complaints of employment discrimination to federal, state, and/or local agencies responsible for investigating such allegations. Specific time limitations apply to the filing of such charges. Members are advised that proceeding with complaints under the provisions of this policy does not in any way affect those filing requirements.

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#### 328.6 DOCUMENTATION OF COMPLAINTS

All complaints or allegations shall be thoroughly documented on the appropriate forms and in a manner designated by the Chief of Police. The outcome of all reports shall be:

- Approved by the Chief of Police, the City Manager, or the Personnel Manager, depending on the ranks of the involved parties.
- Maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

#### 328.6.1 NOTIFICATION OF DISPOSITION

The complainant and/or victim will be notified in writing of the disposition of the investigation and the actions taken to remedy or address the circumstances giving rise to the complaint.

#### 328.7 TRAINING

All new members shall be provided with a copy of this policy as part of their orientation. The policy shall be reviewed with each new member. The member shall certify by signing the prescribed form that the member has been advised of this policy, is aware of and understands its contents, and agrees to abide by its provisions during the member's term with the Department.

All members shall receive annual training on the requirements of this policy and shall certify by signing the prescribed form that they have reviewed the policy, understand its contents, and agree that they will continue to abide by its provisions.

#### 328.8 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

The Personnel Manager should consult with the City Personnel Department Personnel Manager to ensure that all required notifications regarding unlawful employment discrimination are available to former, current, and prospective employees, as appropriate (ORS 243.319; ORS 243.323).

When any member complains about discriminatory harassment, the person receiving the complaint should provide a copy of this policy to the member (ORS 243.319).

A member may file a complaint with the Bureau of Labor and Industries and also may have other legal remedies under Oregon law (ORS 243.319).

- (a) Administrative complaints regarding federal discrimination claims must be filed within 300 days of the alleged unlawful employment practice (42 USC §2000e-5(e)(1)).
- (b) Administrative complaints regarding state discrimination claims must be filed within five years of the alleged unlawful employment practice (ORS 659A.820(3)).
- (c) A civil lawsuit alleging state discrimination claims must be filed within five years of the alleged unlawful employment practice (ORS 659A.875).
- (d) A civil lawsuit alleging federal discrimination claims must be filed within 90 days of the receipt of a right to sue letter from the Bureau of Labor and Industries and/or the EEOC (42 USC §2000e-16(c)).
- (e) The statute of limitations periods for crimes related to sexual harassment vary from two to 12 years.

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(f) Claims made against the Sweet Home Police Department require advance notice pursuant to ORS 30.275 (ORS 243.319).

A member may file a complaint with the Department within four years from the date of the alleged incident or within the time limitation specified in ORS 659A.875, whichever is greater (ORS 243.321).

A member who believes the member has been subjected to workplace harassment may access available community services and any support services provided by the Department, such as the employee assistance program (ORS 243.319).

No member will be required or coerced into a nondisclosure (confidentiality) or nondisparagement (an agreement not to say anything negative about the Sweet Home Police Department or its members in any form of communication) agreement. A member may voluntarily enter into an agreement that contains a nondisclosure or nondisparagement provision and has a minimum of seven days to revoke said agreement (ORS 243.323).

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# **Child Abuse**

#### 330.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the investigation of suspected child abuse. This policy also addresses when Sweet Home Police Department members are required to notify the Department of Human Services (DHS) of suspected child abuse.

#### 330.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Child** - Unless otherwise specified by a cited statute, a child is any person under the age of 18 years.

**Child abuse** - Any offense or attempted offense involving violence or neglect with a child victim when committed by a person responsible for the child's care or any other act that would mandate notification to a social service agency.

#### **330.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will investigate all reported incidents of alleged criminal child abuse and ensure that DHS is notified as required by law.

#### 330.3 MANDATORY NOTIFICATION

Members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall notify DHS when a report of child abuse is received or when there is reasonable cause to believe that a child has suffered abuse (ORS 419B.010).

For purposes of notification, a child is an unmarried person who is either (ORS 419B.005(2)):

- (a) Under 18 years of age.
- (b) A child in care as defined in ORS 418.257.

For purposes of notification, abuse of a child includes but is not limited to assault or physical injury of a non-accidental nature; rape, sexual abuse, or sexual exploitation, including contributing to the sexual delinquency of a minor; threatened harm; negligent treatment or maltreatment; buying or selling a child; unlawful exposure to a controlled substance or to the unlawful manufacturing of a cannabinoid extract; permitting a child to enter or remain in or upon premises where methamphetamines are manufactured; or any other act described in ORS 419B.005(1)(a) and OAR 413-015-0115.

### 330.3.1 NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE

Notification should occur as follows (ORS 419B.015; OAR 413-015-0305):

(a) Verbal notification to DHS shall be made immediately to the Oregon Child Abuse Hotline when the officer determines that the report of alleged child abuse requires an immediate joint response.

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- (b) Verbal, electronic transmission, or hand-delivered notification to DHS of all other reports of child abuse shall be made by the end of the next business day.
- (c) Notification, when possible, should include:
  - 1. The name and contact information of the confidential reporter.
  - 2. The name, address, and age of the child.
  - 3. The name and address of the child's parents or other person who is responsible for care of the child.
  - 4. The nature and extent of the child abuse, including any evidence of previous abuse.
  - 5. The explanation given for the child abuse.
  - 6. Where the child abuse occurred.
  - 7. Identity and whereabouts of the alleged perpetrator.
  - 8. Any other information that the person making the report believes might be helpful in establishing the cause of the child abuse and the identity and whereabouts of the perpetrator.
  - 9. The name and contact information for the assigned DHS worker and officer.

If the alleged child abuse occurred at a facility or was perpetrated by a person from a facility that requires a state license from the Department of Early Learning and Care (DELC) (e.g., child care facility), notification and the outcome of the investigation shall also be reported to DELC (ORS 419B.020).

If the alleged child abuse occurred in a school or was related to a school-sponsored activity, or amounts to sexual conduct under ORS 339.370, notification and the outcome of the investigation shall also be reported to the Department of Education (ORS 419B.020).

#### 330.4 QUALIFIED INVESTIGATORS

Qualified investigators should be available for child abuse investigations. These investigators should:

- (a) Conduct interviews in child-appropriate interview facilities.
- (b) Be familiar with forensic interview techniques specific to child abuse investigations.
- (c) Present all cases of alleged child abuse to the prosecutor for review.
- (d) Coordinate with other enforcement agencies, social service agencies and school administrators as needed.
- (e) Provide referrals to therapy services, victim advocates, guardians and support for the child and family as appropriate.
- (f) Participate in or coordinate with multidisciplinary investigative teams as applicable (ORS 418.747).

#### 330.5 INVESTIGATIONS AND REPORTING

In all reported or suspected cases of child abuse, an officer shall write a report even if the allegations appear unfounded or unsubstantiated.

Investigations and reports related to suspected cases of child abuse should address, as applicable:

- (a) The overall basis for the contact. This should be done by the investigating officer in all circumstances where a suspected child abuse victim was contacted.
- (b) The exigent circumstances that existed if officers interviewed the child victim without the presence of a parent or guardian.
- (c) Any relevant statements the child may have made and to whom he/she made the statements.
- (d) If a child was taken into protective custody, the reasons, the name and title of the person making the decision, and why other alternatives were not appropriate.
- (e) Documentation of any visible injuries or any injuries identified by the child. This should include photographs of such injuries, if practicable.
- (f) Whether the child victim was transported for medical treatment or a medical examination.
- (g) Whether the victim identified a household member as the alleged perpetrator, and a list of the names of any other children who may reside in the residence.
- (h) Identification of any prior related reports or allegations of child abuse, including other jurisdictions, as reasonably known.
- (i) Previous addresses of the victim and suspect.
- (j) Other potential witnesses who have not yet been interviewed, such as relatives or others close to the victim's environment.

All cases of the unexplained death of a child should be investigated as thoroughly as if it had been a case of suspected child abuse (e.g., a sudden or unexplained death of an infant).

#### 330.5.1 KARLY'S LAW

In all cases of suspicious physical injury to a child, the investigating officer shall, in accordance with any relevant county multidisciplinary team protocols (ORS 419B.023):

- (a) Immediately photograph or cause to be photographed any visible injuries or any injuries identified by the child if practicable, in the manner described in ORS 419B.028.
- (b) Ensure that photographs of the injuries are distributed to the designated medical professional and placed in any relevant files maintained by the Department by the end of the next regular business day or within 48 hours, whichever occurs later (ORS 419B.028(2)).
- (c) Ensure that a designated medical professional conducts a medical assessment of the child within 48 hours or sooner, according to the child's medical needs. If a designated medical professional is unavailable for the assessment, the investigating

officer shall ensure that the child is evaluated by an available physician, licensed physician assistant, or licensed nurse practitioner.

#### 330.5.2 INVESTIGATIONS ON SCHOOL PREMISES

When an investigation of child abuse is conducted on school premises, the investigating officer shall first notify the school administrator of the investigation, unless the school administrator is a subject of the investigation. The investigator shall present identification to school staff members. The investigator is not required to reveal information about the investigation to the school as a condition of conducting the investigation. At the investigator's discretion, the school administrator or a school staff member designated by the school administrator may be present to facilitate the investigation. Prior to any interview with the suspected victim, the investigating officer should inquire whether the child has any disabilities that may affect the interview process. These provisions apply to an investigation that involves an interview with the suspected victim of abuse or witnesses and not to investigations or interviews of a person suspected of having committed the abuse (ORS 419B.045).

#### 330.6 PROTECTIVE CUSTODY

Before taking any child into protective custody, the officer should make reasonable attempts to contact DHS. Generally, removal of a child from the child's family, guardian, or other responsible adult should be left to the child welfare authorities when they are present or have become involved in an investigation.

Generally, members of this department should remove a child from the child's parent or guardian without a court order only when no other effective alternative is reasonably available and immediate action reasonably appears necessary to protect the child. Prior to taking a child into protective custody, the officer should take reasonable steps to deliver the child to another qualified parent or legal guardian, unless it reasonably appears that the release would endanger the child or result in abduction. If this is not a reasonable option, the officer shall ensure that the child is delivered to DHS.

Whenever practicable, the officer should inform a supervisor of the circumstances prior to taking a child into protective custody. If prior notification is not practicable, officers should contact a supervisor promptly after taking a child into protective custody.

Children may only be removed from a parent or guardian in the following situations (ORS 419B.150):

- (a) When there is reasonable cause to believe any of the following:
  - 1. An imminent threat of severe harm to the child exists
  - 2. The child poses an imminent threat of severe harm to self or others
  - 3. An imminent threat that the child may be removed from the jurisdiction of the juvenile court exists
- (b) When the juvenile court has issued a valid order that the child is to be taken into protective custody

#### 330.6.1 NOTICE TO PARENTS

When an officer takes a child into protective custody, if possible, the officer shall:

- (a) Make reasonable efforts to immediately notify the child's parents or guardian, regardless of the time of day.
- (b) Advise the reason the child has been taken into custody.
- (c) Provide general information about the child's placement and the telephone number of the local DHS office, including any after-hours telephone numbers (ORS 419B.020).

#### 330.6.2 SAFE HAVEN PROVISION

A parent may leave an infant who is not more than 60 days old at an authorized facility, including this department, as long as the child displays no signs of abuse (ORS 418.017).

When an infant is surrendered to this department, members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall follow the provisions set forth in ORS 418.017.

#### 330.7 INTERVIEWS

#### 330.7.1 PRELIMINARY INTERVIEWS

Absent extenuating circumstances or impracticality, officers should record the preliminary interview with suspected child abuse victims. Officers should avoid multiple interviews with a child victim and should attempt to gather only the information necessary to begin an investigation. When practicable, investigating officers should defer interviews until a person who is specially trained in such interviews is available. Generally, child victims should not be interviewed in the home or location where the alleged abuse occurred.

#### 330.7.2 DETAINING SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE VICTIMS FOR AN INTERVIEW

An officer should not involuntarily detain a child who is suspected of being a victim of child abuse solely for the purpose of an interview or physical exam without the consent of a parent or guardian unless one of the following applies:

- (a) Exigent circumstances exist, such as:
  - 1. A reasonable belief that medical issues of the child need to be addressed immediately.
  - 2. A reasonable belief that the child is or will be in danger of harm if the interview or physical exam is not immediately completed.
  - 3. The alleged offender is the custodial parent or guardian and there is reason to believe the child may be in continued danger.
- (b) A court order or warrant has been issued.

### 330.8 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

If the child has been the victim of abuse that requires a medical examination, the investigating officer should obtain consent for such examination from the appropriate parent, guardian or agency

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having legal custody of the child. The officer should also arrange for the child's transportation to the appropriate medical facility.

In cases where the alleged offender is the custodial parent or guardian and is refusing consent for the medical examination, officers should notify a supervisor before proceeding. If exigent circumstances do not exist or if state law does not provide for officers to take the child for a medical examination, the notified supervisor should consider obtaining a court order for such an examination.

#### 330.9 DRUG-ENDANGERED CHILDREN

A coordinated response by law enforcement and social services agencies is appropriate to meet the immediate and longer-term medical and safety needs of children exposed to the manufacturing, trafficking or use of narcotics.

#### 330.9.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Detective Unit supervisor should:

- (a) Work with professionals from the appropriate agencies, including DHS, other law enforcement agencies, medical service providers and local prosecutors to develop community-specific procedures for responding to situations where there are children endangered by exposure to methamphetamine labs or the manufacture and trafficking of other drugs.
- (b) Activate any available interagency response when an officer notifies the Detective Unit supervisor that the officer has responded to a drug lab or other narcotics crime scene where a child is present or where evidence indicates that a child lives there.
- (c) Develop a report format or checklist for use when officers respond to drug labs or other narcotics crime scenes. The checklist will help officers document the environmental, medical, social and other conditions that may affect the child.

#### 330.9.2 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Officers responding to a drug lab or other narcotics crime scene where a child is present or where there is evidence that a child lives should:

- (a) Document the environmental, medical, social and other conditions of the child using photography as appropriate and the checklist or form developed for this purpose.
- (b) Notify the Detective Unit supervisor so an interagency response can begin.

#### 330.10 STATE MANDATES AND OTHER RELEVANT LAWS

Oregon requires or permits the following:

#### 330.10.1 RELEASE OF REPORTS

Information related to incidents of child abuse or suspected child abuse shall be confidential and may only be disclosed pursuant to state law and the Records Maintenance and Release Policy (ORS 419B.035).

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Information may be shared to the appropriate military authorities regarding a child who is the subject of a report of child abuse when the parent or guardian of the child is in the military (ORS 419B.015).

#### 330.10.2 COUNTY MULTIDISCIPLINARY CHILD ABUSE TEAM AND PROTOCOL

The Detective Unit supervisor should ensure that current written protocols and procedures for child abuse investigations developed by the multidisciplinary child abuse team are available to all department members (ORS 418.747).

#### 330.10.3 CHILD FATALITY REVIEW TEAMS

This department should cooperate with any child fatality review team and investigation (ORS 418.785).

#### **330.11 TRAINING**

The Department should provide training on best practices in child abuse investigations to members tasked with investigating these cases. The training should include:

- (a) Participating in multidisciplinary investigations, as appropriate.
- (b) Conducting forensic interviews.
- (c) Availability of therapy services for children and families.
- (d) Availability of specialized forensic medical exams.
- (e) Cultural competence (including interpretive services) related to child abuse investigations.
- (f) Availability of victim advocate or guardian ad litem support.
- (g) Recognizing abuse that requires mandatory notification to another agency.

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# **Missing Persons**

#### 332.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance for handling missing person investigations.

#### 332.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

At risk - This includes persons who:

- (a) Are 13 years of age or younger.
- (b) Regardless of age, are believed or determined to be experiencing one or more of the following circumstances:
  - 1. Out of the zone of safety for their chronological age and developmental stage
  - 2. Mentally or behaviorally disabled
  - 3. Drug dependent, including prescribed medication and/or illegal substances, and the dependency is potentially life-threatening
  - 4. Absent from home for more than 24 hours before being reported to law enforcement as missing
  - 5. In a life-threatening situation
  - 6. In the company of others who could endanger their welfare
  - Absent in a way that is inconsistent with established patterns of behavior and cannot be readily explained. Most children have an established and reasonably predictable routine.
  - 8. Involved in a situation that would cause a reasonable person to conclude the person should be considered at risk
  - 9. Intellectual or developmental disability, or an impaired mental condition such as dementia or brain injury (ORS 181A.320)
  - 10. A victim of first- or second-degree custodial interference or kidnapping (ORS 181A.310)

**Missing person** - Any person who is reported missing to law enforcement when that person's location is unknown.

**Missing person networks** - Databases or computer networks that are available to law enforcement and are suitable for obtaining information related to missing person investigations. This includes the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs), the Oregon Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS), and the Oregon State Police Missing Children Clearinghouse.

#### **332.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department does not consider any report of a missing person to be routine and assumes that the missing person is in need of immediate assistance until an investigation reveals otherwise. The Sweet Home Police Department gives missing person cases priority over property-related cases and does not require a specific amount of time to have passed before beginning a missing person investigation.

#### 332.3 REQUIRED FORMS AND BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE COLLECTION KITS

The Detective Unit Supervisor shall ensure the following forms and kits are developed and available:

- Missing person report form
- Missing person investigation checklist that provides investigation guidelines and resources that could be helpful in the early hours of a missing person investigation
- Missing person school notification form
- Medical records release form
- Biological sample collection kits

#### 332.4 ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Any member encountering a person who wishes to report a missing person or runaway shall render assistance without delay. This can be accomplished by accepting the report via telephone or in-person and initiating the investigation. Those members who do not take such reports or who are unable to give immediate assistance shall promptly dispatch or alert a member who can take the report.

A report shall be accepted in all cases and regardless of where the person was last seen, where the person resides or any question of jurisdiction.

#### 332.5 INITIAL INVESTIGATION

Officers or other members conducting the initial investigation of a missing person should take the following investigative actions, as applicable:

- (a) Respond to a dispatched call as soon as practicable.
- (b) Interview the reporting party and any witnesses to determine whether the person qualifies as a missing person and, if so, whether the person may be at risk.
- (c) Notify a supervisor immediately if there is evidence that a missing person is either at risk or may qualify for a public alert, or both (see the Public Alerts Policy).
- (d) Broadcast a "Be on the Look-Out (BOLO) bulletin" if the person is under 16 years of age or there is evidence that the missing person is at risk. The BOLO should be broadcast as soon as practicable but in no event more than one hour after determining the missing person is under 16 years of age or may be at risk.
- (e) Ensure that entries are made into the appropriate missing person networks, as follows:
  - 1. Immediately, when the missing person is at risk.

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- 2. In all other cases, as soon as practicable, but not later than two hours from the time of the initial report (34 USC § 41308).
- (f) Complete the appropriate report forms accurately and completely and initiate a search as applicable under the facts.
- (g) Collect and/or review:
  - 1. A photograph and fingerprint card of the missing person, if available.
  - 2. A voluntarily provided biological sample of the missing person, if available (e.g., toothbrush, hairbrush).
  - 3. Any documents that may assist in the investigation, such as court orders regarding custody.
  - 4. Any other evidence that may assist in the investigation, including personal electronic devices (e.g., cell phones, computers).
- (h) When circumstances permit and if appropriate, attempt to determine the missing person's location through their telecommunications carrier.
- (i) Contact the appropriate agency if the report relates to a missing person report previously made to another agency and that agency is actively investigating the report. When this is not practicable, the information should be documented in an appropriate report for transmission to the appropriate agency. If the information relates to an at-risk missing person, the member should notify a supervisor and proceed with reasonable steps to locate the missing person.

#### 332.5.1 CHILD UNDER TWELVE OR "AT RISK"

In cases where this agency has jurisdiction for the missing person investigation and the missing person is a person at risk, or a child less than twelve years of age, the following steps will be taken:

- (a) A Patrol Supervisor will be notified.
- (b) Detectives will be notified immediately, including after hours, and will begin an investigation during the initial search by patrol personnel.
- (c) The name, physical description, clothing and any suspected vehicle that may be involved shall be broadcast to other officers on duty. The locate information may also be disseminated to other agencies as appropriate.
- (d) A preliminary search for the missing person should be initiated based on the circumstances present. If the missing person is a child, obtain consent and conduct a complete search of the residence, curtilage, outbuildings, vehicles and other likely places of concealment.
- (e) The Patrol Supervisor will notify the Dispatcher of the intent to activate the A Child Is Missing (ACIM) Alert Program. The Dispatcher will notify the Communications Commanderwho will either respond to dispatch or make arrangements for additional Dispatchers to respond. The activation of the ACIM will peak a lot of curiosity from the public and we can anticipate to be overloaded with calls.

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- (f) The Dispatcher will prepare an ACIM worksheet using information provided by the officers on scene.
- (g) The Communications Commander or designee will call A Child is Missing (888-875-2246) with information about the person missing and the incident. The ACIM technician logs the pertinent information from the officer and makes an individually-recorded message that will be phoned to the community asking citizens to go out in their yard and look around. If they see the missing person they are asked to call the Sweet Home Police Department directly with information about the missing person.

If such a case is within the investigative responsibility of another jurisdiction and is reported to this agency, the employee receiving the report shall ensure that the appropriate law enforcement agency is immediately notified and shall coordinate with that agency as is reasonably necessary to promptly transfer the case.

#### 332.6 REPORT PROCEDURES AND ROUTING

Members should complete all missing person reports and forms promptly and advise the appropriate supervisor as soon as a missing person report is ready for review.

#### 332.6.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the supervisor shall include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Reviewing and approving missing person reports upon receipt.
  - 1. The reports should be promptly sent to the Records Division.
- (b) Ensuring resources are deployed as appropriate.
- (c) Initiating a command post as needed.
- (d) Ensuring applicable notifications and public alerts are made and documented.
- (e) Ensuring that records have been entered into the appropriate missing persons networks.
- (f) Taking reasonable steps to identify and address any jurisdictional issues to ensure cooperation among agencies.
  - 1. If the case falls within the jurisdiction of another agency, the supervisor should facilitate transfer of the case to the agency of jurisdiction.

### 332.6.2 RECORDS DIVISION RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Records Division receiving member shall include, but are not limited to:

- (a) As soon as reasonable under the circumstances, notifying and forwarding a copy of the report to the agency of jurisdiction for the missing person's residence in cases where the missing person is a resident of another jurisdiction.
- (b) Notifying and forwarding a copy of the report to the agency of jurisdiction where the missing person was last seen.

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- (c) Notifying and forwarding a copy of the report to the agency of jurisdiction for the missing person's intended or possible destination, if known.
- (d) Forwarding a copy of the report to the Detective Unit.
- (e) Coordinating with the NCIC Terminal Contractor for Oregon to have the missing person record in the NCIC computer networks updated with additional information obtained from missing person investigations (34 USC § 41308).

#### 332.7 DETECTIVE UNIT FOLLOW-UP

In addition to completing or continuing any actions listed above, the investigator assigned to a missing person investigation:

- (a) Should ensure that the missing person's school is notified within 10 days if the missing person is a juvenile.
  - 1. The notice shall be in writing and should also include a photograph.
  - The investigator should meet with school officials as appropriate to stress the importance of including the notice in the child's student file, along with the investigator's contact information, if the school receives a call requesting the transfer of the missing child's files to another school.
- (b) Should re-contact the reporting party and/or other witnesses within 30 days of the initial report and within 30 days thereafter to keep them informed, as appropriate, and to determine if any additional information has become available.
- (c) Shall, if the person has not been located within 30 days, ensure that a biological sample, if available, is forwarded to the Oregon State Police (ORS 146.187).
- (d) Should consider contacting other agencies involved in the case to determine if any additional information is available.
- (e) Shall verify and update the Oregon LEDS, the Oregon State Police Missing Children Clearinghouse, NCIC, and any other applicable missing person networks within 30 days of the original entry into the networks and every 30 days thereafter until the missing person is located (34 USC § 41308).
- (f) Should continue to make reasonable efforts to locate the missing person and document these efforts at least every 30 days.
- (g) Shall maintain a close liaison with state and local child welfare systems and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) if the missing person is under the age of 21 and shall promptly notify NCMEC when the person is missing from a foster care family home or childcare institution (34 USC § 41308).
- (h) Should make appropriate inquiry with the [MedicalExaminer/JOP].
- (i) Should obtain and forward medical and dental records, photos, X-rays, and biological samples, as applicable.
- (j) Shall attempt to obtain the most recent photograph for persons under 18 years of age if it has not been obtained previously and forward the photograph to Oregon State Police and enter the photograph into applicable missing person networks (34 USC § 41308).

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(k) In the case of an at-risk missing person or a person who has been missing for an extended time, should consult with a supervisor regarding seeking federal assistance from the FBI and the U.S. Marshals Service (28 USC § 566).

#### 332.8 WHEN A MISSING PERSON IS FOUND

When any person reported missing is found, the assigned investigator shall document the location of the missing person in the appropriate report, notify the relatives and/or reporting party and other involved agencies and refer the case for additional investigation if warranted.

The Records Clerk shall ensure that, upon receipt of information that a missing person has been located, the following occurs:

- (a) Notification is made to the Oregon State Police.
- (b) A missing child's school is notified.
- (c) Entries are made in the applicable missing person networks.
- (d) When a person is at risk, the fact that the person has been found should be reported within 24 hours to the Oregon State Police.
- (e) Notification shall be made to any other law enforcement agency that took the initial report or participated in the investigation.
- (f) All information and materials obtained for the purpose of identifying the missing person are destroyed if the person is found, or sealed if the person is found to be no longer living (ORS 146.189(2)).

#### 332.8.1 UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS

Members investigating a case of an unidentified person who is deceased or a living person who cannot assist in identifying themself should:

- (a) Obtain a complete description of the person.
- (b) Enter the unidentified person's description into the NCIC Unidentified Person File and the NamUs database.
- (c) Use available resources, such as those related to missing persons, to identify the person.

#### 332.9 CASE CLOSURE

The Detective Unit Supervisor may authorize the closure of a missing person case after considering the following:

- (a) Closure is appropriate when the missing person is confirmed returned or evidence matches an unidentified person or body.
- (b) If the missing person is a resident of Sweet Home or this department is the lead agency, the case should be kept under active investigation for as long as the person may still be alive. Exhaustion of leads in the investigation should not be a reason for closing a case.

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- (c) If this department is not the lead agency, the case can be made inactive if all investigative leads have been exhausted, the lead agency has been notified and entries are made in the applicable missing person networks, as appropriate.
- (d) A missing person case should not be closed or reclassified because the person would have reached a certain age or adulthood or because the person is now the subject of a criminal or civil warrant.

#### **332.10 TRAINING**

Subject to available resources, the Training Sergeant should ensure that members of this department whose duties include missing person investigations and reports receive training that includes:

- (a) The initial investigation:
  - 1. Assessments and interviews
  - 2. Use of current resources, such as Mobile Audio Video (MAV)
  - 3. Confirming missing status and custody status of minors
  - 4. Evaluating the need for a heightened response
  - 5. Identifying the zone of safety based on chronological age and developmental stage
- (b) Briefing of department members at the scene.
- (c) Identifying NCIC Missing Person File categories (e.g., disability, endangered, involuntary, juvenile and catastrophe).
- (d) Verifying the accuracy of all descriptive information.
- (e) Initiating a neighborhood investigation.
- (f) Investigating any relevant recent family dynamics.
- (g) Addressing conflicting information.
- (h) Key investigative and coordination steps.
- (i) Managing a missing person case.
- (j) Additional resources and specialized services.
- (k) Update procedures for case information and descriptions.
- (I) Preserving scenes.
- (m) Internet and technology issues (e.g., Internet use, cell phone use).
- (n) Media relations.
- (o) Interacting with individuals with cognitive impairment, including dementia, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and brain injuries (ORS 181A.320).

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## **Public Alerts**

#### 334.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for alerting the public to important information and soliciting public aid when appropriate.

#### **334.2 POLICY**

Public alerts may be employed using the Emergency Alert System (EAS), local radio, television and press organizations and other groups to notify the public of incidents, or enlist the aid of the public, when the exchange of information may enhance the safety of the community. Various types of alerts may be available based upon each situation and the alert system's individual criteria.

#### 334.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

#### 334.3.1 EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Employees of the Sweet Home Police Department should notify their supervisor, Patrol Sergeant and Detective(s) as soon as practicable upon learning of a situation where public notification, a warning or enlisting the help of the media and public could assist in locating a missing person, apprehending a dangerous person or gathering information.

#### 334.3.2 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

A supervisor apprised of the need for a public alert is responsible to make the appropriate notifications based upon the circumstances of each situation. The supervisor shall promptly notify the Chief of Police, the appropriate patrol Sergeant(s) and the Public Information Officer when any public alert is generated.

The supervisor in charge of the investigation to which the alert relates is responsible for the following:

- (a) Updating alerts
- (b) Cancelling alerts
- (c) Ensuring all appropriate reports are completed
- (d) Preparing an after-action evaluation of the investigation to be forwarded to the Division Commander

#### 334.4 AMBER ALERTS

The Oregon AMBER Alert is a voluntary partnership between law enforcement agencies and local broadcasters to rapidly disseminate an emergency alert to the public when a child is abducted under emergency circumstances and the child may be in danger of serious bodily harm or death.

#### 334.4.1 CRITERIA

All of the following criteria must exist before an AMBER Alert will be issued:

(a) There is confirmation that a child abduction has occurred.

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- (b) The child is under 18 years of age.
- (c) The child may be in danger of serious bodily harm or death.
- (d) There is sufficient descriptive information about the child, abductor and/or the suspect's vehicle to believe that an immediate broadcast alert will help.
- (e) The child's name and other critical data elements, including the child abduction (CA) and AMBER Alert (AA) flags, either have been or will be entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) system.

An AMBER Alert should not be used if the child is a runaway or has been abducted as a result of a child custody situation, unless the child may be in danger of serious bodily harm or death.

#### 334.4.2 PROCEDURE

The AMBER Alert Web Portal is used to post the appropriate alert information.

Prior to posting the AMBER Alert message, consideration should be given to ensuring adequate staffing for the tip line, 9-1-1 lines and any media line. AMBER Alerts generate significant public and media interest. It is likely that a high volume of calls from the public and media will be received. Reassigning personnel from other units or requesting mutual aid from other agencies should be considered.

- (a) The Public Information Officer, Patrol Sergeant or Investigation Supervisor should consider whether to prepare a press release that includes all available information that might aid in locating the child, such as:
  - 1. The child's identity, age, physical and clothing description, including any distinguishing characteristics.
  - 2. Photograph, if available.
  - 3. The location where the abduction occurred or where the child was last seen.
  - 4. The suspect's identity, age, physical and clothing description, if known.
  - 5. Pertinent vehicle license number and description, if known.
  - 6. Detail regarding direction of travel and potential destinations, if known.
  - 7. Contact information for the Public Information Officer or other authorized individual to handle media liaison.
  - 8. A telephone number for the public to call with leads or information.
- (b) Information on the abducted child, suspect vehicle and suspect should be entered into the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) and NCIC as soon as feasible. The suspect's name, if known, should be entered in the "AKA" moniker field. The child's name and other critical data elements, including the child abduction (CA) and AMBER Alert (AA) flags, must be entered into the NCIC system in order to trigger the resources of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) and the FBI.

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- (c) The Records Division will send a statewide Administrative Message (AM) via LEDS with the information. The text of the message will begin with the words, "Oregon AMBER Alert."
- (d) The information in the press release should also be forwarded to the dispatch center so that general broadcasts can be made to local law enforcement agencies.
- (e) Consideration should be given to whether to utilize the following resources:
  - 1. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI Local Office)
  - 2. National Center for Missing and Exploited Children 800-843-5678

The FBI and NCMEC will have received notification of the AMBER Alert via the NCIC computer entries. If needed, the Oregon State Police Missing Children Clearinghouse is available to assist agencies with any additional notifications or to serve as the liaison with NCMEC.

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## **Victim and Witness Assistance**

#### 336.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that crime victims and witnesses receive appropriate assistance, that they are provided with information from government and private resources, and that the agency meets all related legal mandates.

#### **336.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to providing guidance and assistance to the victims and witnesses of crime. The employees of the Sweet Home Police Department will show compassion and understanding for victims and witnesses and will make reasonable efforts to provide the support and information identified in this policy.

#### 336.3 CRIME VICTIM LIAISON

The Chief of Police may appoint a member of the Department to serve as the crime victim liaison. The crime victim liaison will be the point of contact for individuals requiring further assistance or information from the Sweet Home Police Department regarding benefits from crime victim resources. This person shall also be responsible for maintaining compliance with all legal mandates related to crime victims and/or witnesses.

#### 336.3.1 CRIME VICTIM LIAISON DUTIES

The crime victim liaison is specifically tasked with the following:

- (a) Providing oral or written notice to crime victims of the Oregon Crime Victim Bill of Rights. This may be accomplished by providing the information in victim handouts or providing the notice electronically (ORS 147.417).
- (b) Sexual assault investigations (ORS 181A.325):
  - 1. Receiving and responding to all inquiries concerning sexual assault kits.
  - 2. Providing any information the victim requests concerning sexual assault kits in a manner of communication designated by the victim, as soon as possible and within 30 days of the inquiry unless doing so would interfere with the investigation. This information includes the location, testing date and testing results of a kit, whether a DNA sample was obtained from the kit, whether or not there are matches to DNA profiles in state or federal databases, and the estimated destruction date for the kit.
  - 3. Acting as liaison with the Oregon State Police (OSP) regarding submitted kits.
  - 4. Allowing a sexual assault victim to provide written authorization for a designee to access information on the victim's behalf.
  - 5. Upon request, provide victim with assistance in the creation of a sexual assault report associated with the sexual assault kit.

#### 336.4 CRIME VICTIMS

Officers should provide all victims with the applicable victim information handouts.

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Officers should never guarantee a victim's safety from future harm but may make practical safety suggestions to victims who express fear of future harm or retaliation. Officers should never guarantee that a person qualifies as a victim for the purpose of compensation or restitution but may direct him/her to the proper written department material or available victim resources.

#### 336.4.1 VICTIM PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Victims of a person crime, as defined in ORS 147.425, have the right to select a person, 18 years of age or older, to be the victim's personal representative to accompany the victim during phases of an investigation, including medical examinations. The personal representative may only be excluded if there is a belief that the representative would compromise the process (ORS 147.425).

#### 336.5 VICTIM INFORMATION

The Administrative Services Division Commander shall ensure that victim information handouts are available and current. These should include as appropriate:

- (a) Shelters and other community resources for victims, including domestic violence and sexual assault victims.
- (b) Assurance that sexual assault victims will not incur out-of-pocket expenses for forensic medical exams, and information about evidence collection, storage, and preservation in sexual assault cases (34 USC § 10449; 34 USC § 20109).
- (c) An advisement that a person who was arrested may be released on bond or some other form of release and that the victim should not rely upon an arrest as a guarantee of safety.
- (d) A clear explanation of relevant court orders and how they can be obtained.
- (e) Information regarding available compensation for qualifying victims of crime.
- (f) VINE® information (Victim Information and Notification Everyday), including the telephone number and whether this free service is available to allow victims to check on an offender's custody status and to register for automatic notification when a person is released from jail.
- (g) Notice regarding U visa and T visa application processes.
- (h) Resources available for victims of identity theft.
- (i) A place for the officer's name, badge number, and any applicable case or incident number.
- A statement of legal rights and remedies available to victims of abuse, as required by ORS 133.055.
- (k) Information about the Address Confidentiality Program. This program is from the Oregon Department of Justice, Crime Victims and Survivor Services Division for victims of domestic violence, sexual offenses, stalking, bias crimes, or human trafficking (ORS 192.826).
- (I) Oregon Crime Victim Bill of Rights (ORS 147.417).

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- (m) Information for victims of sexual assault that includes but is not limited to (ORS 181A.325).
  - Contact information for the crime victim liaison for victims of sexual assault.
  - 2. Notice that victims may request and receive information concerning sexual assault kits if providing the information would not interfere with the investigation.
- (n) The hate crimes telephone hotline for assisting the victims of bias crimes and bias incidents (ORS 147.380).

#### 336.6 WITNESSES

Officers should never guarantee a witness' safety from future harm or that his/her identity will always remain confidential. Officers may make practical safety suggestions to witnesses who express fear of future harm or retaliation.

Officers should investigate allegations of witness intimidation and take enforcement action when lawful and reasonable.

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## **Hate Crimes**

#### 338.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide members of this department with guidelines for identifying and investigating incidents and crimes that may be motivated by hatred or other bias.

#### 338.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Hate crime** - A bias crime motivated by prejudice based on actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or disability of the victim (ORS 166.155; ORS 166.165).

#### 338.2 PREVENTION AND PREPARATION

While it is recognized that not all crime can be prevented, this department is committed to taking a proactive approach to preventing and preparing for likely hate crimes by:

- (a) Making an affirmative effort to establish contact with persons and groups within the community who are likely targets of hate crimes and forming networks that address prevention and response.
- (b) Providing victim assistance and community follow-up or identifying available resources to do so.
- (c) Educating community and civic groups about hate crime laws.

#### 338.3 INVESTIGATIONS

Whenever any member of this department receives a report of a suspected hate crime or other activity that reasonably appears to involve a potential hate crime, the following should occur:

- (a) Assigned officers should promptly contact the victim, witness, or reporting party to investigate the matter further, as circumstances may dictate.
- (b) A supervisor should be notified of the circumstances as soon as practicable.
- (c) Once the in-progress aspect of any such situation has been stabilized (e.g., treatment of victims or arrest of suspects at the scene), the assigned officers should take reasonable steps to preserve evidence that establishes a possible hate crime.
- (d) Based upon available information, officers should take appropriate action to mitigate further injury or damage to potential victims or the community.
- (e) Depending on the situation, the assigned officers or supervisor may request assistance from investigators or other resources.
- (f) The assigned officers should interview available witnesses, victims, and others to determine what circumstances, if any, indicate that the situation may involve a hate crime.

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- (g) The assigned officers should make reasonable efforts to assist the victim by providing available information on local assistance programs and organizations as required by the Victim and Witness Assistance Policy.
- (h) The assigned officers should include all available evidence indicating the likelihood of a hate crime in the relevant reports. All related reports should be clearly marked "Hate Crime."

#### 338.3.1 DETECTIVE UNIT RESPONSIBILITIES

If a hate crime case is assigned to the Detective Unit, the assigned investigator will be responsible for:

- (a) Coordinating further investigation with the City Attorney and other appropriate law enforcement agencies.
- (b) Maintaining contact with the victim and other involved individuals, as needed.
- (c) Maintaining statistical data and tracking of suspected hate crimes, as indicated or required by state law.

#### 338.4 TRAINING

All members of this department should receive training on hate crime recognition and investigation.

#### **338.5 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes and places a high priority on the rights of all individuals guaranteed under the state and federal constitution and incorporated in state and federal law.

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## **Standards of Conduct**

#### 340.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes standards of conduct that are consistent with the values and mission of the Sweet Home Police Department and are expected of all department members. The standards contained in this policy are not intended to be an exhaustive list of requirements and prohibitions but they do identify many of the important matters concerning conduct. In addition to the provisions of this policy, members are subject to all other provisions contained in this manual, as well as any additional guidance on conduct that may be disseminated by this department or a member's supervisors.

#### **340.2 POLICY**

The continued employment or appointment of every member of the Sweet Home Police Department shall be based on conduct that reasonably conforms to the guidelines set forth herein. Failure to meet the guidelines set forth in this policy, whether on- or off-duty, may be cause for disciplinary action.

#### 340.3 DIRECTIVES AND ORDERS

Members shall comply with lawful directives and orders from any department supervisor or person in a position of authority, absent a reasonable and bona fide justification.

#### 340.3.1 UNLAWFUL OR CONFLICTING ORDERS

Supervisors shall not knowingly issue orders or directives that, if carried out, would result in a violation of any law or department policy. Supervisors should not issue orders that conflict with any previous order without making reasonable clarification that the new order is intended to countermand the earlier order.

No member is required to obey any order that appears to be in direct conflict with any federal law, state law or local ordinance. Following a known unlawful order is not a defense and does not relieve the member from criminal or civil prosecution or administrative discipline. If the legality of an order is in doubt, the affected member shall ask the issuing supervisor to clarify the order or shall confer with a higher authority. The responsibility for refusal to obey rests with the member, who shall subsequently be required to justify the refusal.

Unless it would jeopardize the safety of any individual, members who are presented with a lawful order that is in conflict with a previous lawful order, department policy or other directive shall respectfully inform the issuing supervisor of the conflict. The issuing supervisor is responsible for either resolving the conflict or clarifying that the lawful order is intended to countermand the previous lawful order or directive, in which case the member is obliged to comply. Members who are compelled to follow a conflicting lawful order after having given the issuing supervisor the opportunity to correct the conflict, will not be held accountable for disobedience of the lawful order or directive that was initially issued.

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The person countermanding the original order shall notify, in writing, the person issuing the original order, indicating the action taken and the reason.

#### 340.3.2 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisors and managers are required to follow all policies and procedures and may be subject to discipline for:

- (a) Failure to be reasonably aware of the performance of their subordinates or to provide appropriate guidance and control.
- (b) Failure to promptly and fully report any known misconduct of a member to his/her immediate supervisor or to document such misconduct appropriately or as required by policy.
- (c) Directing a subordinate to violate a policy or directive, acquiesce to such a violation, or are indifferent to any such violation by a subordinate.
- (d) The unequal or disparate exercise of authority on the part of a supervisor toward any member for malicious or other improper purpose.

#### 340.4 GENERAL STANDARDS

Members shall conduct themselves, whether on- or off-duty, in accordance with the United States and Oregon Constitutions and all applicable laws, ordinances and rules enacted or established pursuant to legal authority.

Members shall familiarize themselves with policies and procedures and are responsible for compliance with each. Members should seek clarification and guidance from supervisors in the event of any perceived ambiguity or uncertainty.

Discipline may be initiated for any good cause. It is not mandatory that a specific policy or rule violation be cited to sustain discipline. This policy is not intended to cover every possible type of misconduct.

#### 340.4.1 DUTY TO INTERVENE AND REPORT

An officer who observes another officer engaging in misconduct or a violation of the minimum standards for physical, emotional, intellectual, and moral fitness for public safety personnel under ORS 181A.410 shall intervene to prevent or stop the conduct unless the officer cannot intervene safely. An officer who witnesses such conduct shall report the misconduct or violation as soon as practicable, but not later than 72 hours after witnessing the misconduct or violation to a direct supervisor, chain of command, or the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) (ORS 181A.681).

Failure to intervene or report the misconduct is grounds for discipline by the Department or suspension or revocation of the officer's certification by the DPSST (ORS 181A.681; ORS 181A.683).

Misconduct means (ORS 181A.681):

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- (a) Unjustified or excessive force that is objectively unreasonable under the circumstances or in violation of the department policies related to the use of force.
- (b) Sexual harassment or sexual misconduct.
- (c) Discrimination against a person based on race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, disability, or age.
- (d) A crime.

#### 340.5 CAUSES FOR DISCIPLINE

The following are illustrative of causes for disciplinary action. This list is not intended to cover every possible type of misconduct and does not preclude the recommendation of disciplinary action for violation of other rules, standards, ethics and specific action or inaction that is detrimental to efficient department service.

#### 340.5.1 LAWS, RULES AND ORDERS

- (a) Violation of, or ordering or instructing a subordinate to violate any policy, procedure, rule, order, directive, requirement or failure to follow instructions contained in department or City manuals.
- (b) Disobedience of any legal directive or order issued by any department member of a higher rank.
- (c) Violation of federal, state, local or administrative laws, rules or regulations.

#### 340.5.2 ETHICS

- (a) Using or disclosing one's status as a member of the Sweet Home Police Department in any way that could reasonably be perceived as an attempt to gain influence or authority for non-department business or activity.
- (b) The wrongful or unlawful exercise of authority on the part of any member for malicious purpose, personal gain, willful deceit or any other improper purpose.
- (c) The receipt or acceptance of a reward, fee or gift from any person for service incident to the performance of the member's duties (lawful subpoena fees and authorized work permits excepted).
- (d) Acceptance of fees, gifts or money contrary to the rules of this department and/or laws of the state.
- (e) Offer or acceptance of a bribe or gratuity.
- (f) Misappropriation or misuse of public funds, property, personnel or services.
- (g) Any other failure to abide by the standards of ethical conduct.

#### 340.5.3 DISCRIMINATION, OPPRESSION, OR FAVORITISM

Unless required by law or policy, discriminating against, oppressing, or providing favoritism to any person because of actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, economic status, cultural group, veteran status, marital status, and any other classification or status protected

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by law, or intentionally denying or impeding another in the exercise or enjoyment of any right, privilege, power, or immunity, knowing the conduct is unlawful.

#### 340.5.4 RELATIONSHIPS

- (a) Unwelcome solicitation of a personal or sexual relationship while on-duty or through the use of one's official capacity.
- (b) Engaging in on-duty sexual activity including, but not limited to, sexual intercourse, excessive displays of public affection or other sexual contact.
- (c) Establishing or maintaining an inappropriate personal or financial relationship, as a result of an investigation, with a known victim, witness, suspect or defendant while a case is being investigated or prosecuted, or as a direct result of any official contact.
- (d) Associating with or joining a criminal gang, organized crime and/or criminal syndicate when the member knows or reasonably should know of the criminal nature of the organization. This includes any organization involved in a definable criminal activity or enterprise, except as specifically directed and authorized by this department.
- (e) Associating on a personal, rather than official basis with persons who demonstrate recurring involvement in serious violations of state or federal laws after the member knows, or reasonably should know of such criminal activities, except as specifically directed and authorized by this department.

#### 340.5.5 ATTENDANCE

- (a) Leaving the job to which the member is assigned during duty hours without reasonable excuse and proper permission and approval.
- (b) Unexcused or unauthorized absence or tardiness.
- (c) Excessive absenteeism or abuse of leave privileges.
- (d) Failure to report to work or to the place of assignment at the time specified and fully prepared to perform duties without reasonable excuse.

#### 340.5.6 UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS, DISCLOSURE, OR USE

- (a) Unauthorized and inappropriate intentional release of confidential or protected information, materials, data, forms, or reports obtained as a result of the member's position with this department.
- (b) Disclosing to any unauthorized person any active investigation information.
- (c) The use of any information, photograph, video, or other recording obtained or accessed as a result of employment or appointment to this department for personal or financial gain or without the express authorization of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.
- (d) Loaning, selling, allowing unauthorized use, giving away, or appropriating any department property for personal use, personal gain, or any other improper or unauthorized use or purpose.

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(e) Using department resources in association with any portion of an independent civil action. These resources include but are not limited to personnel, vehicles, equipment, and nonsubpoenaed records.

#### 340.5.7 EFFICIENCY

- (a) Neglect of duty.
- (b) Unsatisfactory work performance including, but not limited to, failure, incompetence, inefficiency or delay in performing and/or carrying out proper orders, work assignments or the instructions of supervisors without a reasonable and bona fide excuse.
- (c) Concealing, attempting to conceal, removing or destroying defective or incompetent work.
- (d) Unauthorized sleeping during on-duty time or assignments.
- (e) Failure to notify the Department within 24 hours of any change in residence address, contact telephone numbers or marital status.

#### 340.5.8 PERFORMANCE

- (a) Failure to disclose or misrepresenting material facts, or making any false or misleading statement on any application, examination form, or other official document, report or form, or during the course of any work-related investigation.
- (b) The falsification of any work-related records, making misleading entries or statements with the intent to deceive or the willful and unauthorized removal, alteration, destruction and/or mutilation of any department record, public record, book, paper or document.
- (c) Failure to participate in, or giving false or misleading statements, or misrepresenting or omitting material information to a supervisor or other person in a position of authority, in connection with any investigation or in the reporting of any department-related business.
- (d) Being untruthful or knowingly making false, misleading or malicious statements that are reasonably calculated to harm the reputation, authority or official standing of this department or its members.
- (e) Disparaging remarks or conduct concerning duly constituted authority to the extent that such conduct disrupts the efficiency of this department or subverts the good order, efficiency and discipline of this department or that would tend to discredit any of its members.
- (f) Unlawful gambling or unlawful betting at any time or any place. Legal gambling or betting under any of the following conditions:
  - 1. While on department premises.
  - 2. At any work site, while on-duty or while in uniform, or while using any department equipment or system.

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- Gambling activity undertaken as part of an officer's official duties and with the express knowledge and permission of a direct supervisor is exempt from this prohibition.
- (g) Improper political activity including:
  - Unauthorized attendance while on-duty at official legislative or political sessions.
  - 2. Solicitations, speeches or distribution of campaign literature for or against any political candidate or position while on-duty or on department property except as expressly authorized by City policy, the collective bargaining agreement, or the Chief of Police.
- (h) Engaging in political activities during assigned working hours except as expressly authorized by City policy, the collective bargaining agreement, or the Chief of Police.
- (i) Any act on- or off-duty that brings discredit to this department.

#### 340.5.9 CONDUCT

- (a) Failure of any member to promptly and fully report activities on his/her part or the part of any other member where such activities resulted in contact with any other law enforcement agency or that may result in criminal prosecution or discipline under this policy.
- (b) Unreasonable and unwarranted force to a person encountered or a person under arrest.
- (c) Exceeding lawful peace officer powers by unreasonable, unlawful or excessive conduct.
- (d) Unauthorized or unlawful fighting, threatening or attempting to inflict unlawful bodily harm on another.
- (e) Engaging in horseplay that reasonably could result in injury or property damage.
- (f) Discourteous, disrespectful or discriminatory treatment of any member of the public or any member of this department or the City.
- (g) Use of obscene, indecent, profane or derogatory language while on-duty or in uniform.
- (h) Criminal, dishonest, or disgraceful conduct, whether on- or off-duty, that adversely affects the member's relationship with this department.
- (i) Unauthorized possession of, loss of, or damage to department property or the property of others, or endangering it through carelessness or maliciousness.
- (j) Attempted or actual theft of department property; misappropriation or misuse of public funds, property, personnel or the services or property of others; unauthorized removal or possession of department property or the property of another person.
- (k) Activity that is incompatible with a member's conditions of employment or appointment as established by law or that violates a provision of any collective bargaining agreement or contract to include fraud in securing the appointment or hire.

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- (I) Initiating any civil action for recovery of any damages or injuries incurred in the course and scope of employment or appointment without first notifying the Chief of Police of such action.
- (m) Any other on-duty or off-duty conduct which any member knows or reasonably should know is unbecoming a member of this department, is contrary to good order, efficiency or morale, or tends to reflect unfavorably upon this department or its members.

#### 340.5.10 SAFETY

- (a) Failure to observe or violating department safety standards or safe working practices.
- (b) Failure to maintain current licenses or certifications required for the assignment or position (e.g., driver's license, first aid).
- (c) Failure to maintain good physical condition sufficient to adequately and safely perform law enforcement duties.
- (d) Unsafe firearm or other dangerous weapon handling to include loading or unloading firearms in an unsafe manner, either on- or off-duty.
- (e) Carrying, while on the premises of the work place, any firearm or other lethal weapon that is not authorized by the member's appointing authority.
- (f) Unsafe or improper driving habits or actions in the course of employment or appointment.
- (g) Any personal action contributing to a preventable traffic collision.
- (h) Concealing or knowingly failing to report any on-the-job or work-related accident or injury as soon as practicable but within 24 hours.

#### 340.5.11 INTOXICANTS

- (a) Reporting for work or being at work while intoxicated or when the member's ability to perform assigned duties is impaired due to the use of alcohol, medication or drugs, whether legal, prescribed or illegal.
- (b) Possession or use of alcohol at any work site or while on-duty, except as authorized in the performance of an official assignment. A member who is authorized to consume alcohol is not permitted to do so to such a degree that it may impair on-duty performance.
- (c) Unauthorized possession, use of, or attempting to bring a controlled substance, illegal drug or non-prescribed medication to any work site.

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# **Information Technology Use**

#### 342.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the proper use of department information technology resources, including computers, electronic devices, hardware, software and systems.

#### 342.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Computer system** - All computers (on-site and portable), electronic devices, hardware, software, and resources owned, leased, rented or licensed by the Sweet Home Police Department that are provided for official use by its members. This includes all access to, and use of, Internet Service Providers (ISP) or other service providers provided by or through the Department or department funding.

**Hardware** - Includes, but is not limited to, computers, computer terminals, network equipment, electronic devices, telephones, including cellular and satellite, pagers, modems or any other tangible computer device generally understood to comprise hardware.

**Software** - Includes, but is not limited to, all computer programs, systems and applications, including shareware. This does not include files created by the individual user.

**Temporary file, permanent file or file** - Any electronic document, information or data residing or located, in whole or in part, on the system including, but not limited to, spreadsheets, calendar entries, appointments, tasks, notes, letters, reports, messages, photographs or videos.

#### **342.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that members shall use information technology resources, including computers, software and systems, that are issued or maintained by the Department in a professional manner and in accordance with this policy.

#### 342.3 PRIVACY EXPECTATION

Members forfeit any expectation of privacy with regard to emails, texts, or anything published, shared, transmitted, or maintained through file-sharing software or any internet site that is accessed, transmitted, received, or reviewed on any department computer system.

The Department reserves the right to access, audit, and disclose, for whatever reason, any message, including attachments, and any information accessed, transmitted, received, or reviewed over any technology that is issued or maintained by the Department, including the department email system, computer network, and/or any information placed into storage on any department system or device. This includes records of all keystrokes or web-browsing history made at any department computer or over any department network. The fact that access to a database, service, or website requires a username or password will not create an expectation of privacy if it is accessed through department computers, electronic devices, or networks.

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#### 342.4 RESTRICTED USE

Members shall not access computers, devices, software or systems for which they have not received prior authorization or the required training. Members shall immediately report unauthorized access or use of computers, devices, software or systems by another member to their supervisors or Patrol Sergeants.

Members shall not use another person's access passwords, logon information and other individual security data, protocols and procedures unless directed to do so by a supervisor.

#### 342.4.1 SOFTWARE

Members shall not copy or duplicate any copyrighted or licensed software except for a single copy for backup purposes in accordance with the software company's copyright and license agreement.

To reduce the risk of a computer virus or malicious software, members shall not install any unlicensed or unauthorized software on any department computer. Members shall not install personal copies of any software onto any department computer.

When related to criminal investigations, software program files may be downloaded only with the approval of the information systems technology (IT) staff and with the authorization of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

No member shall knowingly make, acquire or use unauthorized copies of computer software that is not licensed to the Department while on department premises, computer systems or electronic devices. Such unauthorized use of software exposes the Department and involved members to severe civil and criminal penalties.

Introduction of software by members should only occur as part of the automated maintenance or update process of department- or City-approved or installed programs by the original manufacturer, producer or developer of the software.

Any other introduction of software requires prior authorization from IT staff and a full scan for malicious attachments.

#### 342.4.2 HARDWARE

Access to technology resources provided by or through the Department shall be strictly limited to department-related activities. Data stored on or available through department computer systems shall only be accessed by authorized members who are engaged in an active investigation or assisting in an active investigation or who otherwise have a legitimate law enforcement or department-related purpose to access such data. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by a supervisor.

#### 342.4.3 INTERNET USE

Internet access provided by or through the Department shall be strictly limited to department-related activities. Internet sites containing information that is not appropriate or applicable to department use and which shall not be intentionally accessed include but are not limited to adult forums, pornography, gambling, chat rooms, and similar or related internet sites. Certain

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exceptions may be permitted with the express approval of a supervisor as a function of a member's assignment.

Downloaded information shall be limited to messages, mail, and data files.

#### 342.4.4 OFF-DUTY USE

Members shall only use technology resources provided by the Department while on-duty or in conjunction with specific on-call assignments unless specifically authorized by a supervisor. This includes the use of telephones, cell phones, texting, email or any other "off the clock" work-related activities. This also applies to personally owned devices that are used to access department resources.

Refer to the Personal Communication Devices Policy for guidelines regarding off-duty use of personally owned technology.

#### 342.5 PROTECTION OF AGENCY SYSTEMS AND FILES

All members have a duty to protect the computer system and related systems and devices from physical and environmental damage and are responsible for the correct use, operation, care, and maintenance of the computer system.

Members shall ensure department computers and access terminals are not viewable by persons who are not authorized users. Computers and terminals should be secured, users logged off, and password protections enabled whenever the user is not present. Access passwords, logon information, and other individual security data, protocols, and procedures are confidential information and are not to be shared. Password length, format, structure, and content shall meet the prescribed standards required by the computer system or as directed by a supervisor and shall be changed at intervals as directed by IT staff or a supervisor.

It is prohibited for a member to allow an unauthorized user to access the computer system at any time or for any reason. Members shall promptly report any unauthorized access to the computer system or suspected intrusion from outside sources (including the internet) to a supervisor.

#### 342.6 INSPECTION OR REVIEW

A supervisor or the authorized designee has the express authority to inspect or review the computer system, all temporary or permanent files, related electronic systems or devices, and any contents thereof, whether such inspection or review is in the ordinary course of his/her supervisory duties or based on cause.

Reasons for inspection or review may include, but are not limited to, computer system malfunctions, problems or general computer system failure, a lawsuit against the Department involving one of its members or a member's duties, an alleged or suspected violation of any department policy, a request for disclosure of data, or a need to perform or provide a service.

The IT staff may extract, download or otherwise obtain any and all temporary or permanent files residing or located in or on the department computer system when requested by a supervisor or during the course of regular duties that require such information.

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# **Report Preparation**

#### 344.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Report preparation is a major part of each officer's job. The purpose of reports is to document sufficient information to refresh the officer's memory and to provide sufficient information for follow-up investigation and successful prosecution. Report writing is the subject of substantial formalized training and on-the-job training.

#### 344.1.1 DEFINITIONS

**CAD** means Computer Aided Dispatch System.

**CENTRAL DATA** means Central Data Entry/Incident

**COMPUTER AIDED REPORT DETAIL (CARD report)** is the documentation in the Justice Central Data Entry system of a call for service when an actual incident report or officer narrative is not required.

**INCIDENT REPORT** is the documentation of a call for service that requires contact or action by an officer and an officer narrative or report is required.

#### **CASE STATUS (dropdown menu)**

N = Needs Officer Attention. This is the default code for this dropdown and denotes that the officer must take action to complete the incident. All assigned cases must be changed from this designation by the end of the officer's shift.

O = Open Investigation. Leads and follow-up are being actively pursued, awaiting lab results, etc.lt is vital that officers continue to actively investigate and document progress to these calls. Supervisors will periodically review cases with this designation and may require status reports on the case progress. A case that has been, or is being, submitted to the prosecuting attorney for a warrant is to be marked as "Case Complete". Note: If any arrest is made and other arrests are pending, the case will remain as an Open Investigation.

C = Case Complete. The case is ready for supervisor review and all initial reports and anticipated follow-up are complete and ready for file and/or distribution. A case shall be considered complete if report is being submitted for arrest warrant.

X = Problem Report. Denotes that the report has been reviewed by a supervisor and found to have errors requiring correction.

R = Reviewed and Approved. Denotes that the report has been reviewed by a supervisor and passed on to the Records Clerk for distribution and/or filing.

#### **CASE DISPO (dropdown menu)**

A = Cleared by Arrest: An offense is cleared by arrest or solved for crime reporting purposes when at least one person is arrested, charged with the commission of the offense, and/or presented to

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the prosecuting authorities. If no other arrests are pending the Case Status field must be changed to Case Complete.

E = Exceptionally Cleared: An offense is cleared by exception when the investigation establishes the identity of the person responsible for the commission of the crime but that person is not arrested, charged or prosecuted for that offense. In order to qualify for an exceptional clearance, all the following questions must be answered yes. Requires that Case Status field be changed to Case Complete.

- (a) Has the investigation definitely established the identity of the offender?
- (b) Is there enough information to support an arrest, charge and turn the suspect over to the court for prosecution?
- (c) Are there circumstances beyond police control, which prevents or renders impractical, the prosecution of the offender?

U = Unfounded: Denotes a completed case if the investigation reveals that the reported offense did not occur, or that the investigation fails to develop sufficient elements to support the allegation that a crime has been committed. Requires that Case Status field be changed to Case Complete.

S = Case Suspended: Cases are suspended when all investigative leads have been and there remains no alternative means by which to clear the case. If a case is suspended, a disposition entry must be made, either in the case blotter or in a narrative report, reflecting the justification for doing so. Requires that Case Status field be changed to Case Complete.

P = Case Pending: Denotes the case is properly listed as an Open Investigation under Case Status.

O = Other Non-Criminal: Denotes completed cases that are likely non-criminal, but require a narrative and/or may be distributed to other agencies. Examples include Death Investigations, Impounds, Missing Persons, Narrative MVC's, etc. or cases where details necessary will not fit within the blotter area and are not therefore CARD Reports.

N = Non Report / CARD Report: Denotes a completed case that meets all the requirements defined for CARD Reports. Warrant arrests allowed under CARD reports will continue to be coded as A Cleared by Arrest.

#### 344.1.2 REPORT PREPARATION

It is the primary responsibility of the assigned officer to ensure that reports are fully prepared or that supervisory approval has been obtained to delay the report before going off duty. The preparing officer must determine whether the report will be available in time for appropriate action to be taken, such as investigative leads or a suspect is in custody.

Officers who generate reports on computers are subject to all requirements of this policy.

All reports shall accurately reflect the identity of the persons involved, all pertinent information seen, heard, or assimilated by any other sense, and any actions taken. Employees shall not

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repress, conceal or distort the facts of any reported incident, nor shall any employee make a false report orally or in writing.

#### 344.2 REQUIRED REPORTING

Written reports are required for all incidents in which an officer or employee takes law enforcement action, either self initiated or in response to a request from any source. The procedures outlined in this section shall be followed.

#### 344.2.1 ALL CALLS FOR SERVICE

Any call for service can be initiated from the field or from within the dispatch center. When an officer completes a call for service, that officer is required to provide dispatch with a short and concise disposition of the call and indicate the report type as CARD or Incident.

Writings in this portion of the CAD system are sent to the press and become a public release of information on the event. Therefore, whenever possible the disposition will include the estimated dollar loss of the incident and, if a UUMV, a brief description of the vehicle, including the license plate number. The dispatcher may also clear a call for service with a CARD report when an officer is not dispatched to the call.

On all calls for service the officer will continue to make every reasonable effort to notify the complainant of the actions taken by this department. This can be documented by simply saying PR advised of disposition.

When the officer provides the disposition, the dispatcher will leave a space between the original blotter and then accurately type the entire disposition into the CAD system, clear the call and post it without delay.

The officer must later review the call to confirm the disposition is correct. If the disposition is found to be correct the officer will enter the appropriate letter designation in the Case Disposition field. If the disposition is not correct the officer must correct the disposition only. The officer should never change the original reported incident in the blotter section. This should only be changed by the dispatcher taking the original call or in rare instances a supervisor who has reviewed the call. If an officer has to regularly correct the disposition the communication supervisor should be notified.

If additional information is needed in order for any person to, in the future, determine that the department provided due diligence, the officer must document this information. In addition, if any action is taken after the report has been cleared and posted, the officer must add it.

All supporting documents, such as waivers and LEDS printouts, will have the case number printed on them and submitted to the dispatcher for filing.

#### 344.2.2 NON-CRIMINAL ACTIVITY

The following incidents shall be documented using the appropriate approved report:

(a) Any time an officer points a firearm at any person

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- (b) Any use of force against any person by a member of this department (see the Use of Force Policy)
- (c) Any firearm discharge (see the Firearms Policy)
- (d) Any time a person is reported missing, regardless of jurisdiction (see the Missing Persons Policy)
- (e) Any found property or found evidence
- (f) Any traffic collisions above the minimum reporting level (see the Traffic Collision Reporting Policy)
- (g) Suspicious incidents that may indicate a potential for crimes against children or that a child's safety is in jeopardy
- (h) All protective custody detentions
- (i) Suspicious incidents that may place the public or others at risk
- (j) Whenever the employee believes the circumstances should be documented or at the direction of a supervisor

#### 344.2.3 CARD REPORTS

The following types of calls may be documented on CARD Reports

- (a) Any incident not listed above, including incidents that consist solely of State or City Ordinance Violations or Juvenile Status Offenses
- (b) Warrant arrests where no force was used
- (c) A courtesy cell phone loss report that is solely for insurance purposes
- (d) Any NSF or Phone Harassment case, prior to the PR meeting statutory or departmental requirements. (Demand letter not sent, under \$100, suspect not yet told not to call, etc).

#### 344.2.4 DATA ENTRY

Persons who are being charged with a violation of a City Ordinance, status offenses where statute prohibits taking the person into physical custody or violation classifications under state statute will be entered as receiving a citation only, not shown as arrested. (ie: MIP charge of a 17yoa would be an A and the same charge for an 18yoa would be a U. MIP Tobacco while technically detainable will always be shown as a U and a citation is required.) In these cases, the citation number must be entered into the Citation Field. Persons arrested for the crime of contempt, FTC, FTA, etc, even if the original charge was only a violation, will continue to be entered as arrested.

If a person's name or a vehicle license plate number associated with the incident, is provided during any investigation and that person or vehicle is not contacted by the officer or we cannot verify the person's or vehicle's information through our data system, the information will not be entered into the Name or Vehicle Module. The person's name or the license number provided,

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along with any other known information, will be entered under the Scratch Pad area, where it can later be searched if needed. Dispatch will enter any such information into the scratch pad as the officer provides it.

Dispatch will enter only the following involved persons associated with a call through the CAD. Complainant Firm All other involved persons will be entered by the officer or person assigned to the case on the Justice side in central data/incident. This includes arrestees and operators. This change became necessary because of the difference in arrest charges and offense types. The CAD does not support both and it was causing inaccurate arrest records on the Justice side. If an officer makes an arrest of a person that has never previously been entered into our system, the dispatcher may enter the person through master name in order to obtain a file number for booking purposes.

When an officer or dispatcher is aware of a person that actively uses an AKA, legal or otherwise, or the person's name has legally changed, this information needs to be entered in Justice. When AKA information has been entered properly, entering a name (Ticket, Incident, etc.) that is actually an AKA will result in a message indicating the person's real name and then give you the option of accessing either one. However, no contacts should be listed in an AKA's file.

In the event an officer or dispatcher locates an existing AKA with contact entries in both files (their correct and AKA name) make a notation of the persons file numbers, and submit to me, so their records can be combined. An existing name is not to be altered or deleted unless it is from a typing error and not an AKA. Altering an existing name eliminates our search capability. Per State Archives Department a history of AKAs should be left in the database for reference purposes.

Following are the procedures for entering AKA information:

If no existing AKA then: go to master name file and search for the persons correct name make a note of the file number of this person select the "ADD NEW" button at the minimum, type in the alias (last, first and middle name), address and DOB enter a "Y" in the "Alias" box go to the AKA tab and enter the file number of the correct name in the "File Number for this persons REAL Name" box SAVE If there is an existing AKA not connected to the real name then: go to master name file and search for the persons correct name make a note of the file number of this person search the master name file for the persons AKA name enter a "Y" in the "Alias" box select the "AKA" tab and enter the file number of the correct name in the "File Number for this persons REAL Name" field UPDATE Any contacts associated with the AKA will automatically be transferred to the "real" name file.

The following procedure will be followed when using the confidential informant entry. The dispatcher upon notification from the officer that the complainant is a confidential informant will delete the complainant from the people section of the cad call. The complainants file number will be added to the scratch pad section of the cad call. Example: Confidential Informant #39560. If the call had already been posted the change must also take place in central data. This will also be the responsibility of the dispatcher.

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In UUMV cases the stolen vehicle will be entered into the property module as with any other property but it is not necessary to also enter the vehicle into the vehicle module. The vehicle's VIN will be entered under serial number field and the vehicle license plate, without hyphen, will, along with a full description of the vehicle, be listed in the description field.

Any individual representing an alarm company or any government agency and not a direct witness to a crime, will not be required to provide personal information such as home address, dob, etc. The person's name, identification number, etc. will be entered into the blotter area but not the Name Field.

#### 344.2.5 REPORT ROUTING SHEETS

Blue Sheets will not be prepared until an Officer requests any report, CARD or Incident, be sent to any person or entity. Blue Sheets will be completed and signed by the Primary Officer, signifying that the case is in its entirety and is ready for printing and/or dissemination by the Records staff. The Officer shall then place the Blue Sheet in the Supervisor Review area. The reviewing supervisor will sign off on the Blue Sheet approving the report for release and place it in the Waiting for Copies folder.

In cases where an outside entity requests a report that does not have a Blue Sheet on file, the Records Clerk will first verify that the report has been reviewed and approved for dissemination. In all cases the Records Clerk will show the destination, date, time and method of report dissemination, (fax, email, mail, in-person, etc) either on the Blue Sheet or in the scratch pad area if no Blue Sheet exists.

#### 344.3 GENERAL POLICY OF EXPEDITIOUS REPORTING

In general, all officers and supervisors shall act with promptness and efficiency in the preparation and processing of all reports. An incomplete report, unorganized reports or reports delayed without supervisory approval are not acceptable. Reports shall be processed according to established priorities or according to special priority necessary under exceptional circumstances.

If a person is transported and lodged at any facility over night on our probable cause charges, a report must be completed and faxed to appropriate charging agency either the same day or by 0900 hours on the following day. If the person is lodged on a Friday, the report must be to the appropriate agency by 0900 hours on that agency's next scheduled work day.

It is the arresting officers' responsibility to make sure that the report is typed and faxed to the District Attorney's Office or the Juvenile Department.

#### 344.3.1 INCIDENT REPORT FORMAT

In addition to the range of data that appears as part of the Face Sheet via data entry, (Names, Property, Vehicles, etc.) a Narrative Section that tells the actual facts and sequence of the case is also necessary. The Narrative portion of the SHPD Incident Report System will be divided into four major sections.

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**MENTIONED:** This section will be used to document all known identifying information on individuals mentioned where we have yet to verify specific identity. Eg: Tom Johnson is the only information known and we are not sure of specific identity. If no such persons are mentioned, leave this section blank and it will not appear on the final report.

**ACTION TAKEN:** This section will contain the full body of the report including any statements taken from any person. This section will be written in chronological order so that the reader has a clear, detailed, overview of what happened during the investigation.

Paragraphs should not be longer than eight sentences each. If you wish to emphasize a specific point you may make a single paragraph consisting of only one or two sentences. Sentences should be short, simple and direct to avoid the reader misunderstanding your intention.

Names of individuals will normally be introduced by first and then last name but can thereafter be referred to by appropriate prefix and last name. (Eg: Mr. Smith told me that, Ms. Jones had a small cut, etc.) The exception of course would be when there are multiple males or females involved with the same last name. In those cases you should continue to refer to the individuals by first and last names. Special formatting, such as all capital letters on last names, will no longer be used.

Whenever you are using a slang or vulgarity it needs to be placed inside quotations. This denotes that you are merely documenting words used by someone else.

**MIRANDA:** This section will be used to record the time and sequence when any person was advised of Miranda Warnings and to document the person's acknowledgment or lack thereof. The use of this section is important even if the Miranda has been documented under Action Taken. If Miranda does not apply, leave this section blank and it will not appear on the final report.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** This section is used to document the officer's recommendation as to where this case should proceed from the conclusion of this report. Eg: Submit to DA requesting Burglary I charges. Interview Sally Smith when she returns home in one week, etc.

Previously used sections such as Evidence, Summary, and Statements will no longer be utilized. These sections will continue to appear under the report template but, as long as nothing is typed in the section, will not appear on the final report

#### 344.3.2 HANDWRITTEN FORMS

Non-computer generated forms may be block printed as appropriate.

#### 344.4 REPORT REVIEW

Reports will not be disseminated until a supervisor has approved them. The supervisors will review all reports on a daily basis. Any incomplete report or report requiring attention will be marked as a problem report. (X) All officers are required to check for problem reports and make corrections prior to the end of their next shift.

Both CARD and Incident Reports will be reviewed and approved by the appropriate supervisor. The supervisor's primary duty is to verify that the data is correct in content, is correctly entered into the database and that the investigation covers and documents the crime or incident.

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Employees submitting reports need to first check for correct spelling, etc. Supervisors will review these documents for spelling, punctuation and grammar that alter or make the intent of the sentence or passage unclear. The supervisor will make minor corrections to these documents and forward otherwise completed reports through the system in order to facilitate efficiency. However, if it is obvious that no care was taken and/or the document contains multiple errors, the case will be returned to the employee for correction and continuing problems will lead to disciplinary action.

Employees are required to check the Problem Report area each working day. Corrections must be made and the report resubmitted through Supervisor Review by the end of the same day.

In Incident Reports, special attention will be given to assure that the elements of any criminal investigation are covered and that all proper and prudent investigative leads have been conducted and documented.

On CARD Reports, special attention will be given to assure that the who, what, when, why and where elements of the case have been answered in order to justify the disposition with the original call details. The supervisor will also be reviewing to see that, if appropriate, the PR was advised of the disposition of their complaint.

#### 344.5 REPORT CHANGES OR ALTERATIONS

Reports that have been approved by a supervisor and submitted to the Records Division for filing and distribution shall not be modified or altered except by way of a supplemental report. Reviewed reports that have not yet been submitted to the Records Division may be corrected or modified by the authoring employee only with the knowledge and authorization of the reviewing supervisor.

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## **Media Relations**

#### 346.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for media releases and media access to scenes of disasters, criminal investigations, emergencies and other law enforcement activities.

#### 346.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

The ultimate authority and responsibility for the release of information to the media shall remain with the Chief of Police, however, in situations not warranting immediate notice to the Chief of Police and in situations where the Chief of Police has given prior approval, Patrol Sergeants and designated Public Information Officer(s) may prepare and release information to the media in accordance with this policy and the applicable law.

#### 346.2.1 MEDIA REQUEST

Any media request for information or access to a law enforcement situation shall be referred to the designated department media representative, or if unavailable, to the first available supervisor. Prior to releasing any information to the media, employees shall consider the following:

- (a) At no time shall any employee of this department make any comment or release any official information to the media without prior approval from a supervisor or the assigned PIO
- (b) In situations involving multiple law enforcement agencies, every reasonable effort should be made to coordinate media releases with the authorized representative of each involved agency prior to the release of any information by this department
- (c) Under no circumstance should any member of this department make any comment(s) to the media regarding any law enforcement incident not involving this department without prior approval of the Chief of Police.

#### 346.3 MEDIA ACCESS

Authorized members of the media should be provided access to scenes of disasters, criminal investigations, emergencies and other law enforcement activities subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The media representative shall produce valid press credentials that shall be prominently displayed at all times while in areas otherwise closed to the public.
- (b) Media representatives may be prevented from interfering with emergency operations and criminal investigations.
  - Reasonable effort should be made to provide a safe staging area for the media that is near the incident and that will not interfere with emergency or criminal investigation operations. All information released to the media should be coordinated through the department Public Information Officer or other designated spokesperson.

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- Whenever the presence of media or other aircraft poses a threat to public or officer safety or significantly hampers incident operations, the field supervisor should consider requesting a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR). All requests for TFRs should be routed through the Patrol Sergeant. The TFR should include specific information regarding the perimeter and altitude necessary for the incident and should be requested through the appropriate control tower. If the control tower is not known, the Federal Aviation Administration should be contacted (14 CFR 91.137).
- (c) No member of this department who is under investigation should be subjected to media visits or interviews without the consent of the involved employee.
- (d) Media interviews with individuals who are in custody shall not be permitted without the approval of the Chief of Police and the express consent of the person in custody.
- (e) Media representatives will not be allowed to enter the inner perimeter of a tactical situation or a crime scene while an incident or investigation is in progress.

A tactical operation should be handled in the same manner as a crime scene, except that the news media should be permitted within the outer perimeter of the scene, subject to any restrictions as set forth by the supervisor in charge. Department members shall not jeopardize a tactical operation in order to accommodate the news media. All comments to the media shall be coordinated through a supervisor or the Public Information Officer.

#### 346.3.1 PROVIDING ADVANCE INFORMATION

To protect the safety and rights of officers and other persons, advance information about planned actions by law enforcement personnel, such as movement of persons in custody or the execution of an arrest or search warrant, should not be disclosed to the news media, nor should media representatives be invited to be present at such actions except with the prior approval of the Chief of Police.

Any exceptions to the above should only be considered for the furtherance of legitimate law enforcement purposes. Prior to approving any exception the Chief of Police will consider, at minimum, whether the release of information or presence of the media would unreasonably endanger any individual, prejudice the rights of any person or is otherwise prohibited by law.

#### 346.3.2 TEMPORARY FLIGHT RESTRICTIONS

Whenever the presence of media or other aircraft pose a threat to public or officer safety or significantly hampers incident operations, the field supervisor should consider requesting a Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR). All requests for a TFR should be routed through the Patrol Sergeant. The TFR request should include specific information regarding the perimeter and altitude necessary for the incident. It should be requested through the appropriate control tower. If the control tower is not known, the Federal Aviation Administration should be contacted (14 CFR 91.137). All requests for TFR should be routed through the Patrol Sergeant.

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#### 346.4 INFORMATION SUBJECT TO RELEASE

The Department will maintain a daily information log of significant law enforcement activities that shall be made available, upon request, to media representatives through the Patrol Sergeant. This log will generally contain the following information:

- (a) The date, time, location, case number, type of crime, extent of injury or loss, and names of individuals (except confidential informants) involved in crimes occurring within this jurisdiction unless the release of such information would endanger the safety of any individual or jeopardize the successful completion of any ongoing investigation.
- (b) The date, time, location, case number, name, birth date and charges for each person arrested by this department unless the release of such information would endanger the safety of any individual or jeopardize the successful completion of any ongoing investigation.
- (c) The time and location of other significant law enforcement activities or requests for service with a brief summary of the incident subject to the restrictions of this policy and applicable law.

Identifying information concerning deceased individuals shall not be released to the media until notification of next of kin or otherwise cleared through the Medical Examiner's Office.

Any requests for copies of related reports or additional information not contained in this log shall be referred to the designated department media representative, the custodian of records, or if unavailable, to the Patrol Sergeant. Such requests will generally be processed in accordance with the provisions of this policy.

#### 346.4.1 RESTRICTED INFORMATION

It shall be the responsibility of the authorized employee dealing with media requests to ensure that restricted information is not inappropriately released to the media by this department (see the Records Maintenance and Release and Personnel Records policies). When in doubt, authorized and available legal counsel should be obtained.

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## **Social Media**

#### 347.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The department endorses the secure use of social media to enhance communication, collaboration, and information exchange; streamline processes; and foster productivity. This policy establishes this department's position on the utility and management of social media and provides guidance on its management, administration, and oversight. This policy is not meant to address one particular form of social media, rather social media in general, as advances in technology will occur and new tools will emerge.

#### 347.2 SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Social media provides a new and potentially valuable means of assisting the department and its personnel in meeting community outreach, problem-solving, investigative, crime prevention, and related objectives. This policy identifies potential uses that may be explored or expanded upon as deemed reasonable by administrative and supervisory personnel.

#### 347.3 DEFINITIONS

*Blog:* A self-published diary or commentary on a particular topic that may allow visitors to post responses, reactions, or comments. The term is short for "Web log."

*Page:* The specific portion of a social media website where content is displayed, and managed by an individual or individuals with administrator rights.

Post: Content an individual shares on a social media site or the act of publishing content on a site.

Profile: Information that a user provides about himself or herself on a social networking site.

Social Media: A category of Internet-based resources that integrate user-generated content and user participation. This includes, but is not limited to, social networking sites (Facebook, MySpace), microblogging sites (Twitter, Nixle), photo- and videosharing sites (Flickr, YouTube), wikis (Wikipedia), blogs, and news sites (Digg, Reddit).

Social Networks: Online platforms where users can create profiles, share information, and socialize with others using a range of technologies.

*Speech:* Expression or communication of thoughts or opinions in spoken words, in writing, by expressive conduct, symbolism, photographs, videotape, or related forms of communication.

Web 2.0: The second generation of the World Wide Web focused on shareable, user-generated content, rather than static web pages. Some use this term interchangeably with social media.

Wiki: Web page(s) that can be edited collaboratively.

#### 347.4 DEPARTMENT-SANCTIONED PRESENCE

Where possible, each social media page of the Sweet Home Police Department shall include an introductory statement that clearly specifies the purpose and scope of the department's presence on the website. The social media page should, whenever possible, link to the department's official

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website. All department social media sites or pages shall be approved by the Chief of Police or his/her designee and shall be administered by the appointed personnel. The social media pages shall clearly indicate they are maintained by the department and shall have department contact information prominently displayed. The social media pages should state that the opinions expressed by visitors to the page(s) do not reflect the opinions of the department. Pages shall clearly indicate that any content posted or submitted for posting is subject to public disclosure.

#### 347.4.1 SOCIAL MEDIA NON-DISCRIMINATION DISCLOSURE

The Sweet Home Police Department shall not discriminate against public speech based on content or viewpoint. However, the department shall remove the following prohibited content:

- a. Comments not topically related to the particular article being commented upon;
- b. Comments in support of or opposition to political campaigns or ballot measures;
- c. Profane language or content;
- d. Content that promotes, fosters, or perpetuates discrimination on the basis of race, religion, gender, marital status, familial status, national origin, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, source of income or other protected status under applicable law;
- e. Inappropriate sexual content or links to inappropriate sexual content;
- f. Solicitations of commerce:
- g. Conduct or encouragement of illegal activity;
- h. Private and confidential information;
- i. Information that may tend to compromise the safety or security of the public or public systems; or
- j. Content that violates a legal ownership interest of any other party.

The Sweet Home Police Department shall display these guidelines to users and/or make them available by hyperlink.

CAUTION: Any content removed based on these guidelines must be retained, including the time, date and identity of the poster when available.

#### 347.5 DEPARTMENT-SANCTIONED USE

Department personnel representing the department via social media outlets shall do the following: a. Conduct themselves at all times as representatives of the department and, accordingly, shall adhere to all department standards of conduct and observe conventionally accepted protocols and proper decorum. b. Identify themselves as a member of the department. c. Not make statements about the guilt or innocence of any suspect or arrestee, or comments concerning pending prosecutions, nor post, transmit, or otherwise disseminate confidential information, including photographs or videos, related to department training, activities, or work-related assignments without express written permission. d. Not conduct political activities or private business. e.

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Employees shall observe and abide by all copyright, trademark, and service mark restrictions in posting materials to electronic media.

#### 347.6 POTENTIAL USES

The Sweet Home Police Department may utilize social media as a valuable investigative tool when seeking evidence or information about missing persons; wanted persons; gang participation; crimes perpetrated online (i.e., cyberbullying, cyberstalking); and photos or videos of a crime posted by a participant or observer.

Social media pages can be used for community outreach and engagement by providing crime prevention tips; sharing crime maps and data; and soliciting tips about unsolved crimes (i.e., Crimestoppers, text-a-tip).

Social media pages can be used to make time-sensitive notifications related to road closures, special events, weather emergencies, and missing or endangered persons.

#### 347.7 RECORDS RETENTION FOR SOCIAL MEDIA

The Sweet Home Police Department must maintain and preserve records in compliance with the Oregon Public Records laws, ORS 192.410. Under public records law, the department is required to maintain records for the period provided for that type of record. The Sweet Home Police Department has a records retention schedules for their records. Those engaged in Social Media activities must be familiar with their Department's record retention schedules and preserve records in accordance with those schedules. While some public records are not required to be kept longer than needed for current purposes, many records must be preserved. The Department shall treat those records that must be preserved as follows:

- a. Any posted original content that constitutes a department record and that is not preserved and retained elsewhere in compliance with the appropriate department retention schedule must be captured by the department and retained according to the appropriate schedule and media preservation requirements.
- b. Any posted content that is a copy of a department record that exists in another location does not need to be separately preserved, provided that the original content is being retained in compliance with the appropriate department retention schedule and media preservation requirements.
- c. Any posted content that is required to be retained only as long as needed or superseded may be deleted when no longer needed.

All records created or received by the Sweet Home Police Department, except for those excluded by law, are available for inspection and copying by the public and must be accessible for the period established by the applicable department record retention schedule.

A public record is defined by Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 192.005(5) as, ..."a document, book, paper, photograph, file, sound recording or machine readable electronic record, regard less of physical form or characteristics, made, received, filed or recorded in pursuance of law or in connection with the transaction of public business, whether or not confidential or restricted in use."

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The Sweet Home Police Department must assume that content posted or received using any Social Media technology is a public record and manage it accordingly.

# 347.7.1 MANAGING SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT THAT IS OFFICIALLY MAINTAINED ELSEWHERE

The department can greatly simplify its retention responsibilities if it uses its Social Media applications exclusively as a mechanism for providing its constituents with links or references to content that is maintained as an official department record elsewhere. Using this approach, the links or references posted on a blog, Facebook or Twitter account would be considered convenience copies which need to be retained only "as needed" or "until superseded."

#### 347.7.2 MANAGING "ORIGINAL" SOCIAL MEDIA

It is possible that the Sweet Home Police Department will publish content via Social Media that does not exist elsewhere among department records. Also, the department allows public interaction via Social Media and will receive content from outside resources that will fit the definition of a public record. Greater care must be applied to maintain this content in accordance with retention requirements.

Almost all of this "original" content will fall into one of the categories below and should be managed as such.

Speeches/Statements/News Releases/Program Activity Records

For retention purposes, a department official's blog posting (for example) is the equivalent of a public speech. An on-the-spot written or photographed account of a department event, or summary of its activities, pushed out via any Social Media should be considered a "report." If any of these statements or reports contain policy or historically significant content, they must be retained permanently. Otherwise, they have a two-year retention from the time they are "published."

#### Correspondence

Incoming messages from the public that arrive via the department's Social Media account should be treated as correspondence. If a message is completely unrelated to the department's mission, activities or functions it can be removed and discarded immediately if the department so chooses. Correspondence that relates to a department's mission, activities or functions must be captured and retained per the retention category that most closely corresponds to the content of the message.

For correspondence that originates on the department's Social Media site and that merits a response to an individual (as opposed to a public posting), the department would be advised to take that correspondence "offline" and, if possible, communicate directly with the individual and maintain that correspondence using established department procedures for correspondence management. Note: much of the correspondence between elected officials or department administrators and the public is considered "policy and historical" and warrants permanent retention).

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# Content Associated with a Specific Function or Activity

If the department uses Social Media as a public entry point to solicit specific information (e.g. conducting a poll) or launch a process, the information received should then be retained along with other records associated with that function or activity using the appropriate retention schedule.

# 347.7.3 MANAGING SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT-TECHNOLOGY

In order to fulfill the Records Retention and Archiving responsibilities, the manager(s) of the social media site(s) shall capture screen shots of "original" social media content which will be converted to a PDF and saved in electronic format under the appropriate social media folder. The "original" content will be captured not less than weekly.

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# **Subpoenas and Court Appearances**

# 348.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes the guidelines for department members who must appear in court. It will allow the Sweet Home Police Department to cover any related work absences and keep the Department informed about relevant legal matters.

### **348.2 POLICY**

Sweet Home Police Department members will respond appropriately to all subpoenas and any other court-ordered appearances.

### 348.3 SUBPOENAS

Only department members authorized to receive a subpoena on behalf of this department or any of its members may do so.

A subpoena may be served upon a member by one of the following (ORS 136.595; ORCP 55):

- (a) Personal service.
- (b) Accepted by an authorized member on behalf of a currently employed officer who is within the state at the time of service and is delivered at least 10 days prior to the hearing date specified on the subpoena.
  - 1. Attendance at trial is related to the officer's work performed in the course of employment as a peace officer.
  - The subpoena clerk shall make a good faith effort to notify the subpoenaed officer of the date, time and location of the court appearance. If the officer cannot be notified, the subpoena clerk will promptly notify the court of the inability to contact the officer.
- (c) By mail (civil subpoena only), if the service conditions of ORCP 55(D)(3) are met.

A civil subpoena being served upon a member as an expert witness may be personally served upon the member or member's immediate supervisor (ORS 44.552).

Subpoenas shall not be accepted unless accompanied by the appropriate witness fees as allowed by law (ORS 44.415; ORS 44.554; ORCP 55 (D)(1)).

### 348.3.1 SPECIAL NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Any member who is subpoenaed to testify, agrees to testify or provides information on behalf of or at the request of any party other than the City Attorney or the prosecutor shall notify his/her immediate supervisor without delay regarding:

- (a) Any civil case where the City or one of its members, as a result of his/her official capacity, is a party.
- (b) Any civil case where any other city, county, state or federal unit of government or a member of any such unit of government, as a result of his/her official capacity, is a party.

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- (c) Any criminal proceeding where the member is called to testify or provide information on behalf of the defense.
- (d) Any civil action stemming from the member's on-duty activity or because of his/her association with the Sweet Home Police Department.
- (e) Any personnel or disciplinary matter when called to testify or to provide information by a government entity other than the Sweet Home Police Department.

The supervisor will then notify the Chief of Police and the appropriate prosecuting attorney as may be indicated by the case. The Chief of Police should determine if additional legal support is necessary.

No member shall be retaliated against for testifying in any matter.

### 348.3.2 CIVIL SUBPOENA

The Department will compensate members who appear in their official capacities on civil matters arising out of their official duties, as directed by the current memorandum of understanding or collective bargaining agreement.

The Department should seek reimbursement for the member's compensation through the civil attorney of record who subpoenaed the member.

### 348.3.3 OFF-DUTY RELATED SUBPOENAS

Members receiving valid subpoenas for off-duty actions not related to their employment or appointment will not be compensated for their appearance. Arrangements for time off shall be coordinated through their immediate supervisors.

#### 348.4 FAILURE TO APPEAR

Any member who fails to comply with the terms of any properly served subpoena or court-ordered appearance may be subject to discipline. This includes properly served orders to appear that were issued by a state administrative agency.

### **348.5 STANDBY**

To facilitate standby agreements, members are required to provide and maintain current information on their addresses and contact telephone numbers with the Department.

If a member on standby changes his/her location during the day, the member shall notify the designated department member of how he/she can be reached. Members are required to remain on standby until released by the court or the party that issued the subpoena.

#### 348.6 COURTROOM PROTOCOL

When appearing in court, members shall:

- (a) Be punctual and prepared to proceed immediately with the case for which they are scheduled to appear.
- (b) Dress in the department uniform or business attire.

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(c) Observe all rules of the court in which they are appearing and remain alert to changes in the assigned courtroom where their matter is to be heard.

### **348.6.1 TESTIMONY**

Before the date of testifying, the subpoenaed member shall request a copy of relevant reports and become familiar with the content in order to be prepared for court.

### 348.7 OVERTIME APPEARANCES

When a member appears in court on his/her off-duty time, he/she will be compensated in accordance with the current memorandum of understanding or collective bargaining agreement.

### 348.8 SUBPOENAS FOR ALL OTHERS

- (a) The dispatcher will date stamp the subpoena and fill out a yellow subpoena service form. The dispatcher will determine who was the original investigating officer of the case under subpoena. This officer's name will be written next to the case number on the yellow subpoena service form. The dispatcher will then place the subpoena and the subpoena service form in the binder behind the investigating officer's tab.
- (b) The dispatcher will then place a subpoena notification sheet in the investigating officer's mailbox. If the investigating officer is no longer with this agency, the subpoena(s) will be routed to a patrol sergeant for assignment.
- (c) Upon reporting for their shift, the employee will check their mailboxes. If the employee has a subpoena notification he/she will give the notification to the on duty dispatcher.
- (d) The dispatcher will note on the subpoena service form that the officer has been advised of the subpoena(s) needing service. The subpoena service form will remain in the binder and is not to be taken with the subpoena. This form will remain in the binder until the subpoena is served at which time it will be filed with our copy of the subpoena.
- (e) The assigned officer will attempt subpoena service on a daily basis until either the subpoena is served or it is apparent that local service is not possible. The officer will notify the dispatcher of all attempts, successful or not.
- (f) The dispatcher will, immediately upon receiving notification from the officer, record on the subpoena service form all subpoena services or attempts at service.
- (g) Upon subpoena service, the subpoena service form will be removed from the book and placed in the case file. If it is apparent that local service is not possible the subpoena service form and the original subpoena will be returned to the issuing entity.

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# **Reserve Officers**

# 350.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department Reserve Unit was established to supplement and assist regular sworn police officers in their duties. This unit provides professional, sworn volunteer reserve officers who can augment regular staffing levels.

### 350.1.1 SUBSECTION TITLE

### 350.2 SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT OF POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS

The Sweet Home Police Department shall endeavor to recruit and appoint to the Reserve Unit only those applicants who meet the high ethical, moral and professional standards set forth by this department. The minimum criteria for selection and appointment of reserve officers shall be the same as is required of regular full-time officers.

### 350.2.1 PROCEDURE

All applicants shall be required to meet and pass the same pre-employment procedures as regular police officers before appointment.

Upon appointment to the Police Reserve Unit, an applicant must have completed, or be in the process of completing, a basic reserve academy within 18 months of the date of appointment.

### 350.2.2 APPOINTMENT

Applicants who are selected for appointment to the Police Reserve Unit shall, on the recommendation of the Chief of Police, be sworn in by the Chief of Police and take an oath to observe and obey all of the laws of the land and to carry out their duties to the best of their ability.

### 350.2.3 COMPENSATION FOR POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS

Compensation for reserve officers is provided as follows:

All reserve officer appointees will be issued a uniform and all designated attire and safety equipment. All property issued to the reserve officer shall be returned to the Department upon termination or resignation.

Reserve officers will initially pay for half of the tuition fee for enrollment the MVRT Reserve Academy (or equivalent academy). Upon completion of 18 months of continued service in good standing with the Sweet Home Police Department from the date of appointment as a reserve officer, the reserve officer will be reimbursed for their initial Reserve Academy tuition contribution.

The reserve officer position is otherwise an unpaid volunteer position.

# 350.2.4 EMPLOYEES WORKING AS RESERVE OFFICERS

Qualified employees of this department, when authorized, may also serve as reserve officers. However, the Department must not utilize the services of a reserve or volunteer in such a way that it would violate employment laws or labor agreements (e.g. a detention officer working as a reserve

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officer for reduced or no pay). Therefore, the Reserve Coordinator should consult the Personnel Department prior to an employee serving in a reserve or volunteer capacity (29 CFR 553.30).

### 350.3 DUTIES OF RESERVE OFFICERS

Reserve officers assist regular officers in the enforcement of laws and in maintaining peace and order within the community. Assignments of reserve officers will usually be to augment the Patrol Division. Reserve officers may be assigned to other areas within the Department as needed. Reserve officers are required to work a minimum of 24 hours per month.

#### 350.3.1 POLICY COMPLIANCE

Police reserve officers shall be required to adhere to all departmental policies and procedures. A copy of the policies and procedures will be made available to each reserve officer upon appointment and he/she shall become thoroughly familiar with these policies.

Whenever a rule, regulation, or guideline in this manual refers to a sworn regular full-time officer, it shall also apply to a sworn reserve officer unless by its nature it is inapplicable.

# 350.3.2 RESERVE OFFICER ASSIGNMENTS

All reserve officers will be assigned to duties by the Reserve Coordinator or his/her designee.

### 350.3.3 RESERVE COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police shall delegate the responsibility for administering the Reserve Officer Program to a Reserve Coordinator.

The Reserve Coordinator shall have the responsibility of, but not be limited to the following:

- (a) Assignment of reserve personnel.
- (b) Conducting reserve meetings.
- (c) Establishing and maintaining a reserve call-out roster.
- (d) Maintaining and ensuring performance evaluations are completed.
- (e) Monitoring individual reserve officer performance.
- (f) Monitoring overall Reserve Program.
- (g) Maintaining liaison with other agency Reserve Coordinators.
  - (a)
  - (b)
  - (c)
  - (d)
  - (e)
  - (f)
  - (g)

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#### 350.3.4 RESERVE ADVISOR

The Reserve Coordinator may designate up to two qualified officers to assist with the coordination responsibilities of the reserve program. Reserve Advisors shall be in good standing and appointed subject to approval of the Chief of Police.

### 350.3.5 SUBSECTION TITLE

### 350.4 FIELD TRAINING

The field training program shall consist of the completion of three training phases to be completed under the supervision of a Training Officer as assigned by the department. During the field training period the reserve officer must complete the standard DPSST Field Training Manual as described in the Field Training Manual section of this policy.

# 350.4.1 TRAINING OFFICERS

Officers of this department, who demonstrate a desire and ability to train reserve officers, may train the reserves subject to approval of the reserve coordinator.

### 350.4.2 PRIMARY TRAINING OFFICER

Upon completion of the Reserve Academy, reserve officers will be assigned to a primary training officer. The primary training officer will be selected from members of existing Field Training Officers (FTO). The Reserve Coordinator may assume the role of primary training officer, depending on staffing limitations and training needs. The reserve officer will be assigned to work with his/her primary training officer during the first 40 hours of training. The next 120 hours of training may be completed with any training officer, and may be split between multiple training officers. These first 160 hours of formal training shall be known as the Primary Training Phase.

# 350.4.3 FIELD TRAINING MANUAL

Each new reserve officer will be issued a Field Training Manual at the beginning of his/her Primary Training Phase. This manual is an outline of the subject matter and/or skills necessary to properly function as an officer with the Sweet Home Police Department. Each section of the manual must be signed-off by the Training Officer or any other officer observing the performance. The completed manual will be submitted to the department Training Coordinator and it shall become part of the reserve officer's training file. The reserve officer shall become knowledgeable of the subject matter as outlined and proficient with those skills as set forth in the manual.

### 350.4.4 COMPLETION OF THE PRIMARY TRAINING PHASE

At the completion of the Primary Training Phase (Phase I) the primary training officer will meet with the Reserve Coordinator to discuss the progress of the reserve officer in training.

If the reserve officer has progressed satisfactorily, he/she will then proceed to Phase II of the training. If he/she has not progressed satisfactorily, the Reserve Coordinator will determine the appropriate action to be taken.

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#### 350.4.5 SECONDARY TRAINING PHASE

The Secondary Training Phase (Phase II) shall consist of 100 hours of additional on-duty training. The reserve officer may ride with any training officer designated by the Patrol Division Supervisor or Senior Officer.

During Phase II of training, as with Phase I, the reserve officer's performance will be closely monitored. In addition, rapid progress should continue towards the completion of the Officer's Field Training Manual.

### 350.4.6 THIRD TRAINING PHASE

Phase III of training shall consist of 24 hours of additional on-duty training. For this training phase, the reserve officer will return to his/her original primary training officer. During this phase, the primary training officer will evaluate the reserve officer for suitability to graduate from the formal training program.

At the completion of Phase III training, the primary training officer will meet with the Reserve Coordinator. Based upon the reserve officer's evaluations, plus input from the primary training officer, the Reserve Coordinator shall decide if the reserve officer has satisfactorily completed his/her formal training. If the reserve officer has progressed satisfactorily, he/she will then graduate from the formal training process. If his/her progress is not satisfactory, the Reserve Coordinator will decide upon the appropriate action to be taken.

### 350.4.7 COMPLETION OF THE FORMAL TRAINING PROCESS

When a reserve officer has satisfactorily completed all three phases of formal training, he/she will have had a minimum of 284 hours of on-duty training. The reserve officer will continue to ride with full time officers for the remaining 200-hour requirement, for a total of 484 hours before being considered for relief of immediate supervision.

# 350.5 SUPERVISION OF RESERVE OFFICERS

Level II reserve officers should be under the immediate supervision of a regular sworn officer. Although a reserve officer may have attained the status of a Level II reserve officer, these provisions shall continue to apply unless special authorization is received which relieves the immediate supervision requirement.

### 350.5.1 SPECIAL AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS

Reserve officers certified as Level II may, with prior authorization of the Reserve Coordinator and on approval of the Patrol Division Supervisor, be relieved of the "immediate supervision" requirement. Level II reserve officers may function under this authorization only for the duration of the assignment or purpose for which the authorization was granted.

In the absence of the Reserve Coordinator and the Patrol Division Supervisor, the Senior Officer may assign a certified Level II reserve officer to function as above for specific purposes and duration.

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#### 350.5.2 RESERVE OFFICER MEETINGS

All reserve officer meetings will be scheduled and conducted by the Reserve Coordinator. All reserve officers are required to attend scheduled meetings. Any absences must be satisfactorily explained to the Reserve Coordinator.

### 350.5.3 IDENTIFICATION OF RESERVE OFFICERS

All reserve officers will be issued a uniform, badge and a Department identification card. The uniform shall be the same as that worn by a regular full-time officer, except it may include an internal ballistic vest carrier, rather than an external ballistic vest carrier. The badge will be the designated Reserve Police Officer badge. The identification card will be the standard identification card with the exception that "Reserve" will be indicated on the card.

### 350.5.4 UNIFORM

Reserve officers shall conform to all uniform regulation and appearance standards of this department.

# 350.5.5 INVESTIGATIONS AND COMPLAINTS

If a reserve officer has a complaint made against him/her or becomes involved in an internal investigation, that complaint or internal investigation may be investigated by the Reserve Coordinator, at the discretion of the Patrol Division Commander.

Reserve officers are considered at-will employees.

Any disciplinary action that may have to be administered to a reserve officer shall be accomplished as outlined in the Policy Manual.

# 350.5.6 RESERVE OFFICER EVALUATIONS

While in training reserve officers will be continuously evaluated using standardized daily observation reports. The reserve will be considered a trainee until all the training phases have been completed. Reserves having completed their field training will be evaluated annually using performance dimensions applicable to the duties and authorities granted to that reserve officer.

### 350.6 FIREARMS REQUIREMENTS

Reserve officers have peace officer powers and responsibilities, related to the carrying and use of firearms, during their assigned tours of duty. Duty weapons and ammunition will be issued by the department.

# 350.6.1 CARRYING WEAPON ON DUTY

It is the policy of this department to allow Level II or III reserve officers to carry firearms only while on duty or to and from duty.

# 350.6.2 IN-SERVICE TRAINING

Reserve officers are encouraged to attend all in-service training offered to regular officers. Reserve officers are required to attend classes designated as mandatory either at one of the regular inservice sessions or one scheduled specifically for reserves.

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#### 350.6.3 CONCEALED FIREARMS PROHIBITED

No reserve officer will be permitted to carry a concealed firearm while in an off-duty capacity, other than to and from work, except those reserve officers who possess a valid CCW permit. An instance may arise where a reserve officer is assigned to a plainclothes detail for his/her assigned tour of duty. Under these circumstances, the reserve officer may be permitted to carry a weapon more suited to the assignment with the knowledge and approval of the supervisor in charge of the detail.

Any reserve officer who is permitted to carry a firearm other than the assigned duty weapon may do so only after verifying that the weapon conforms to departmental standards. The weapon must be registered by the reserve officer and be inspected and certified as fit for service by a departmental armorer.

Before being allowed to carry any optional firearm during an assigned tour of duty, the reserve officer shall have demonstrated his/her proficiency with said weapon.

# 350.6.4 RESERVE OFFICER FIREARM TRAINING

All reserve officers are required to maintain proficiency with firearms used in the course of their assignments. Reserve officers shall comply with all areas of the firearms training section of the Policy Manual, with the following exceptions:

- (a) All reserve officers are required to qualify at least twice annually.
- (b) Reserve officers may fire at the department approved range during scheduled range days, with the approval of the Reserve Coordinator and Rangemaster.
- (c) Should a reserve officer fail to qualify twice annually, that reserve officer will not be allowed to carry a firearm until they have reestablished their proficiency.
  - (a)
  - (b)
  - (c)

#### 350.7 EMERGENCY CALL-OUT FOR RESERVE PERSONNEL

The Reserve Coordinator shall develop a plan outlining an emergency call-out procedure for reserve personnel.

#### 350.8 RESERVE LEVELS

Reserve officers become eligible to perform at different levels in the organization based on their training and experience. All reserve officers begin at Level I, unless they have prior training and experience, the Reserve Coordinator shall review their prior training records and determine the Reserve Level at which they will be placed. The training and experience required for each level and the types of duties each is eligible to perform are listed below:

Level I - Recruit Reserve Officer. Level I Reserves are newly appointed and are beginning their training. They do not wear a police uniform and are not permitted to carry weapons. Level I

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Reserves may ride with any full-time officers on patrol, while wearing civilian clothes. They perform no law enforcement functions.

Prior to moving to Level II, each reserve must complete the following:

- (a) Successfully complete the MVRT Reserve Academy (or equivalent academy training)
- (b) Complete the LEDS Manual
- (c) Obtain a letter of recommendation from a Training Officer
- (d) Obtain approval from the Reserve Coordinator

Level II - Reserve Officer. Level II Reserves have successfully completed the Reserve Academy including qualification with duty weapons, defensive tactics, use of force, criminal law and traffic code. Level II reserves may perform their duties in uniform, carry weapons and perform law enforcement functions under the direct supervision of their Primary Training Officer or another training officer, based on their progress with the formal training phases.

Once assigned as a Level II reserve, after having reached the second training phase, and after having received EVOC training, the reserve officer may operate a patrol vehicle while on-duty, with approval of the Training Officer and the Reserve Coordinator.

Prior to moving to Level III, each reserve must complete the following:

- (a) Spend 8 hours in dispatch
- (b) Obtain Intoxilyzer Certification
- (c) Be trained in HazMat
- (d) CPR and First Aid certification
- (e) Obtain letters of recommendation from two full-time officers
- (f) Complete the entire DPSST Field Training Manual
- (g) Must have met the minimum monthly patrol time requirements for the previous 6 months
- (h) Obtain approval from the Reserve Coordinator

Level III - Reserve Officer. Level III Reserves have successfully completed the Reserve Academy, all three phases of the formal reserve training program (484 hours), and the minimum requirements of a Level I and II reserve officer. Level III Reserves are authorized to perform law enforcement functions without immediate supervision, and to operate in a solo patrol assignment.

To remain at Level III, reserve officers must:

- (a) Maintain a minimum of 24 hours of patrol time each month
- (b) Not have any personnel complaints filed against them resulting in a "sustained" disposition
- (c) Complete 8 hours Use of Force and/or firearms training annually
- (d) Complete 1 hour Ethics training annually

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- (e) Complete 3 hours mental health/crisis intervention training over a 3 year period
- (f) Complete 84 hours of Total Training over a 3 year period

Failure to meet the ongoing minimum requirements will be evaluated by the Reserve Coordinator, who will determine the appropriate course of action.

- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
- (d)

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# **Outside Agency Assistance**

# 352.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to members when requesting or responding to a request for mutual aid or when assisting another law enforcement agency.

### **352.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to promptly respond to requests for assistance by other law enforcement agencies, subject to available resources and consistent with the applicable laws and policies of this department.

### 352.3 ASSISTING OUTSIDE AGENCIES

Generally, requests for any type of assistance from another agency should be routed to the Patrol Sergeant's office for approval. In some instances, a memorandum of understanding or other established protocol may exist that eliminates the need for approval of individual requests.

When another law enforcement agency requests assistance from this department, the Patrol Sergeant may authorize, if available, an appropriate number of personnel to assist. Members are reminded that their actions when rendering assistance must conform with applicable laws and be consistent with the policies of this department.

Officers may respond to a request for emergency assistance, however, they shall notify a supervisor of their activity as soon as practicable.

Arrestees may be temporarily detained by this department until arrangements for transportation are made by the outside agency. Probation violators who are temporarily detained by this department will not ordinarily be booked at this department. Only in exceptional circumstances, and subject to supervisor approval, will this department provide transportation of arrestees to other facilities on behalf of another agency.

When transportation assistance is rendered, a report shall be prepared and submitted by the handling member unless otherwise directed by a supervisor.

### 352.3.1 INITIATED ACTIVITY

Any on-duty officer who engages in law enforcement activities of any type that are not part of a mutual aid request and take place outside the jurisdiction of the Sweet Home Police Department shall notify his/her supervisor or the Patrol Sergeant and Dispatch as soon as practicable. This requirement does not apply to special enforcement details or multi-agency units that regularly work in multiple jurisdictions.

# 352.4 REQUESTING OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

If assistance is needed from another agency, the member requesting assistance should, if practicable, first notify a supervisor. The handling member or supervisor should direct assisting personnel to where they are needed and to whom they should report when they arrive.

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The requesting member should arrange for appropriate radio communication capabilities, if necessary and available, so that communication can be coordinated between assisting personnel.

### 352.5 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Incidents of outside assistance or law enforcement activities that are not documented in a crime report shall be documented in a general case report or as directed by the Patrol Sergeant.

### 352.6 MANDATORY SHARING

Equipment and supplies purchased with federal funds or grants that require such equipment and supplies be shared with other agencies should be documented and updated as necessary by the Administrative Services Division Commander or the authorized designee.

The documentation should include:

- (a) The conditions relative to sharing.
- (b) The training requirements for:
  - 1. The use of the supplies and equipment.
  - 2. The members trained in the use of the supplies and equipment.
- (c) Any other requirements for use of the equipment and supplies.

Copies of the documentation should be provided to Dispatch and the Patrol Sergeant to ensure use of the equipment and supplies is in compliance with the applicable sharing agreements.

The Training Sergeant should maintain documentation that the appropriate members have received the required training.

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# **Registered Offender Information**

# 356.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes guidelines by which the Sweet Home Police Department will address issues associated with certain offenders who are residing in the jurisdiction and how the Department will disseminate information and respond to public inquiries for information about registered sex offenders.

### **356.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to identify and monitor registered offenders living within this jurisdiction and to take reasonable steps to address the risks those persons may pose.

#### 356.3 REGISTRATION

The Detective Unit Supervisor shall establish a process to reasonably accommodate registration of certain offenders. The process should rebut any allegation on the part of the offender that the registration process was too confusing, burdensome or difficult for compliance. If it is reasonable to do so, an investigator assigned to related investigations should conduct the registration in order to best evaluate any threat the person may pose to the community. Employees assigned to register offenders should receive appropriate training regarding the registration process (OAR 257-070-0100).

Upon conclusion of the registration process, the investigator shall ensure that the registration information is provided to the Oregon State Police in accordance with ORS 163A.035 and OAR 257-070-0100.

The refusal of a registrant to provide any of the required information or complete the process should initiate a criminal investigation for failure to report.

# 356.3.1 CONTENTS OF REGISTRATION

Registrants shall (ORS 163A.010; OAR 257-070-0110):

- (a) Provide the information to complete the sex offender registration form and sign it.
- (b) Submit to photographs, including photographs of scars, marks or tattoos, when initially reporting and each time the registrant reports annually.
- (c) Submit to fingerprinting, if required.

# 356.4 MONITORING OF REGISTERED OFFENDERS

The Detective Unit supervisor should establish a system to periodically, and at least once annually, verify that a registrant remains in compliance with his/her registration requirements after the initial registration. This verification should include:

(a) Efforts to confirm residence using an unobtrusive method, such as an Internet search or drive-by of the declared residence.

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- (b) Review of information on the State of Oregon Sex Offender Inquiry System.
- (c) Contact with a registrant's parole or probation officer.

Any discrepancies should be reported to Oregon State Police.

The Detective Unit supervisor should also establish a procedure to routinely disseminate information regarding registered offenders to Sweet Home Police Department personnel, including timely updates regarding new or relocated registrants.

# 356.5 DISSEMINATION OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

Employees will not unilaterally make a public notification advising the community of a particular registrant's presence in the community. Employees who identify a significant risk or other public safety issue associated with a registrant should promptly advise their supervisor. The supervisor should evaluate the request and forward the information to the Chief of Police if warranted. A determination will be made by the Chief of Police, with the assistance of legal counsel as necessary, whether such a public alert should be made.

Members of the public requesting information on registrants should be provided the Sex Offender Inquiry System (http://sexoffenders.oregon.gov/), or the Sweet Home Police Department's website.

The Records Clerk shall release local registered offender information to residents in accordance with state law and in compliance with Oregon Public Records Law requests (ORS 163A.215; ORS 163A.225; ORS 192.311 to ORS 192.499).

### 356.5.1 RELEASE NOTIFICATIONS

Registrant information that is released should include notification that:

- (a) The offender registry includes only those persons who have been required by law to register, who are in compliance with the offender registration laws and who the law permits to be included.
- (b) The information is provided as a public service and may not be current or accurate.
- (c) Persons should not rely solely on the offender registry as a safeguard against offenses in their communities.
- (d) The information on the registry may not reflect the entire criminal history of a registered offender.
- (e) Anyone who uses information contained in the registry to harass or discriminate against registrants or commit any crime may be subject to criminal prosecution and/ or civil action.

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# **Major Incident Notification**

# 358.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to members of this department in determining when, how and to whom notification of major incidents should be made.

### **358.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes that certain incidents should be brought to the attention of supervisors or other specified personnel of this department to facilitate the coordination of activities and ensure that inquiries from the media and the public may be properly addressed.

### 358.3 MINIMUM CRITERIA FOR NOTIFICATION

Most situations where the media show a strong interest are also of interest to the Chief of Police and the Patrol Sergeant. The following list of incident types is provided as a guide for notification and is not intended to be all-inclusive:

- Homicides
- Traffic accidents with fatalities
- Officer-involved shooting on- or off-duty (see the Officer-Involved Shooting Policy for special notifications)
- Significant injury or death to an employee on- or off-duty
- Death of a prominent official
- Arrest of department employee or prominent official
- Aircraft crash with major damage and/or injury or death
- In-custody deaths
- Any other event likely to attract media attention

### 358.4 PATROL SERGEANT RESPONSIBILITY

The Patrol Sergeant is responsible for making the appropriate notifications. The Patrol Sergeant shall make reasonable attempts to obtain as much information on the incident as possible before notification. The Patrol Sergeant shall attempt to make the notifications as soon as practicable. Notification should be made during off-duty hours by calling the home telephone number first and then by cellular telephone.

# 358.4.1 STAFF NOTIFICATION

In the event an incident occurs as described in the Policy section of this policy, the Chief of Police shall be notified along with the affected Division Commander and the Detective Lieutenant if that division is affected.

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# 358.4.2 DETECTIVE NOTIFICATION

If the incident requires that a detective respond from home, the detective's immediate supervisor shall be contacted, who will then contact the appropriate detective.

# 358.4.3 TRAFFIC DIVISION NOTIFICATION

In the event of a traffic fatality or major injury, the Patrol Sergeant shall be notified who will then contact the appropriate accident investigator. The Patrol Sergeant will notify the Chief of Police.

# 358.4.4 PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (PIO)

The Public Information Officer shall be called after members of staff have been notified that it appears the media may have a significant interest in the incident.

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# **Death Investigation**

# 360.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for situations where officers initially respond to and investigate the circumstances of a deceased person.

Some causes of death may not be readily apparent, and some cases differ substantially from what they appear to be initially. The thoroughness of death investigations and use of appropriate resources and evidence gathering techniques is critical.

### 360.2 INVESTIGATION CONSIDERATIONS

Death investigation cases require certain actions be taken. Paramedics shall be called in all suspected death cases unless the death is obvious (decapitated, decomposed, etc.).

All deaths occurring outside of the hospital must be reported to the on-call Linn County Medical Examiner Office representative, regardless of whether a SHPD Deputy Medical Examiner is available.\*

The on-call Linn County Medical Examiner representative will determine whether to assume jurisdiction of the case or release it for the attending physician to sign the death certificate.

Officers investigating a death or performing duties in the capacity of a Deputy Medical Examiner are operating under the authority and responsibility of the Medical Examiner's Office.

### 360.2.1 MEDICAL EXAMINER NOTIFICATION

<u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 146.090 requires that a medical examiner must be notified in the following circumstances. Any death:

- (a) Apparently homicidal, suicidal or occurring under suspicious or unknown circumstances
- (b) Resulting from the unlawful use of controlled substances or the use or abuse of chemicals or toxic agents
- (c) Occurring while incarcerated in any jail, correction facility, or in police custody
- (d) Apparently accidental or following an injury
- (e) By disease, injury or toxic agent during or arising from employment
- (f) While not under the care of a physician during the period immediately previous to death
- (g) Related to disease which might constitute a threat to the public health
- (h) In which a human body apparently has been disposed of in a manner that is offensive to the generally accepted standards of the community

The Linn County Medical Examiner will be contacted via Linn County Dispatch. The investigating officer will provide a phone number where the Medical Examiner representative can make contact.

<sup>\*</sup> See 360.2.8, Hospice Deaths

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The investigating officer will brief the Medical Examiner representative with the details of the death including;

- Circumstances of the death;
- The officer's detailed observations of the body and scene;
- Reported medical history including name of deceased person's physician;
- Any suspicions or lack thereof formed by the investigating officer.

If, after a reasonable period of time, the Linn County Deputy Medical Examiner representative has not called, the investigating officer shall contact his/her supervisor for instructions.

The body, effects of the deceased, and any instruments or weapons related to the death shall not be disturbed or moved from the position or place of death without permission of the Medical Examiner or Deputy Medical Examiner, and the District Attorney. A Medical Examiner, Deputy Medical Examiner, or District Attorney, in conjunction with the Sweet Home Police Department shall take custody of, or exercise control over the body, the effects of the deceased and any weapons, instruments, vehicles, buildings or premises which the medical examiner has reason to believe were involved in the death, in order to preserve evidence related to the cause and manner of death.

The members of the Sweet Home Police Department will work cooperatively with both the Medical Examiner's Office and the District Attorney in all death investigations.

# 360.2.2 SEARCHING DEAD BODIES

Whenever possible, a witness, preferably a relative to the deceased or a member of the household, should be requested to remain at the scene with the officer pending the arrival or determination of the Medical Examiner. The name and address of this person shall be included in the narrative of the death report. Controlled substances prescribed to the deceased will be collected and a receipt prepared. Whenever personal effects are removed from the body of the deceased, a receipt shall also be prepared. A copy of these receipts shall be attached to the investigation report.

In addition, Officers must make a reasonable search of an individual who reasonably appears to be dead or near death for a document of gift or other information identifying the individual as a donor or as an individual who made a donor refusal. If a document of gift or a refusal to make an anatomical gift is located and the individual or deceased individual is taken to a hospital, the officer must alert the hospital staff to the documentation and forward it to the hospital (ORS 97.970). Officers must consider the integrity of the scene and evidence collection issues when deciding whether a search is reasonable.

# 360.2.3 DEATH NOTIFICATION

When practical, and if not handled by the Medical Examiner's Office, notification to the next-of-kin of the deceased person shall be made, in person, by the officer assigned to the incident. If the next-of-kin lives in another jurisdiction, a law enforcement official from that jurisdiction shall be requested to make the personal notification. If the relatives live outside this county, the Medical

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Examiner may be requested to make the notification. The Medical Examiner needs to know if notification has been made. Assigned detectives may need to talk to the next-of-kin.

Upon identifying the body, investigators shall attempt to locate the next of kin or responsible friends to obtain the designation of a funeral home to which the deceased is to be taken.

### 360.2.4 DEATH INVESTIGATION REPORTING

All incidents involving a death shall be documented in report form. All Death Investigation reports shall, after supervisor approval, be sent to both the Linn County District Attorney and the Linn County Medical Examiners offices.

#### 360.2.5 SUSPECTED HOMICIDE

If the initially assigned officer suspects that the death involves a homicide or other suspicious circumstances, the Patrol Sergeant shall be notified to determine the possible need for a detective to respond to the scene for further immediate investigation.

### 360.2.6 SUPERVISOR NOTIFICATION

If the death involves any of the following, the on-call supervisor will immediately be notified:

- Infant or child
- Traumatic injury
- Abuse or neglect
- Apparent homicide
- Apparent suicide
- While in police custody
- Unknown circumstances
- Suspicious circumstances

The supervisor will respond to the scene and will coordinate with the on-call Linn County Medical Examiner.

#### 360.2.7 HOSPICE DEATH

This policy applies only to home deaths of registered hospice patients whose cause of death is consistent with that predicted by the treating physician. Any home death that does not involve a registered hospice patient or that involves a cause of death that is not consistent with that predicted by the treating physician should be reported immediately as required by statute. ORS 146.090 requires that the medical examiner shall investigate and certify the cause and matter of all human deaths "while not under the care of a physician during the period immediately previous to the death". Registered hospice home deaths will be considered to be deaths occurring under medical care. Therefore, such deaths need not be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency if all of the following conditions are met.

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- (a) The hospice patient must be registered with a designated hospice organization.
- (b) A hospice registration form must be in the patient's home and available for review by a deputy medical examiner, police officer, funeral home personnel, or other involved personnel.
- (c) The attending physician must be willing to sign the death certificate.
- (d) The cause and manner of death is consistent with that predicted by the treating physician.

If an officer should respond to the scene of a hospice home death, the officer will check the hospice registration documentation to verify that this is indeed a registered hospice home death. The officer will check the deceased's body for any signs of suspicious injury or death. If there are no signs of suspicious activity or foul play, then no further investigation is required by the officer and the body can be released to the funeral home personnel. Any prescribed medications will be left at the scene with the hospice personnel. If there are no hospice personnel at the scene, the officer will seize all medications and they will be transported to the Sweet Home Police Department and placed into the evidence locker for destruction. The officer will complete a narrative on an Incident Report and all of the victim's information will be entered into the computer system as well as anyone else that was contacted at the scene.

# 360.2.8 EMPLOYMENT-RELATED DEATHS OR INJURIES

Any member of this department who responds to and determines that a death, serious illness, or serious injury has occurred as a result of an accident at or in connection with the victim's employment should ensure that the regional Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) office is notified of all pertinent information.

### 360.3 UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY

If the identity of a dead body cannot be established, the handling officer will request from the [MedicalExaminer/JOP] a unique identifying number for the body. The number shall be included in any report.

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# **Identity Theft**

# 362.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Identity theft is a growing trend that frequently involves related crimes in multiple jurisdictions. A person commits the crime of identity theft if the person, with the intent to deceive or to defraud, obtains, possesses, transfers, creates, utters or converts to the person's own use the personal identification of another person (<u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 165.800). This policy is intended to provide guidelines for the reporting and investigation of such crimes.

### 362.2 REPORTING

- (a) In an effort to maintain uniformity in reporting, officers presented with the crime of "identity theft" shall initiate a report for victims residing within the jurisdiction of this department. For incidents of identity theft occurring outside this jurisdiction, officers should observe the following:
  - 1. For any victim not residing within this jurisdiction, the officer may either take a courtesy report to be forwarded to the victim's residence agency or the victim should be encouraged to promptly report the identity theft to the law enforcement agency where he or she resides.
- (b) While the crime of identity theft should be reported to the law enforcement agency where the victim resides, officers of this department should investigate and report crimes occurring within this jurisdiction which have resulted from the original identity theft (e.g., the identity theft occurred elsewhere, but the credit card fraud occurred and is reported in this jurisdiction).
- (c) Officers should include all known incidents of fraudulent activity (e.g., credit card number applied for in victim's name when the victim has never made such an application).
- (d) Victims of suspected identity theft should also be directed to immediately file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission, (FTC) at http://ftc.gov/ This site will also direct the victim to other resources, such as credit reporting bureaus, that can provide assistance.
- (e) Following supervisory review and departmental processing, the initial report should be forwarded to the appropriate detective for follow up investigation, coordination with other agencies and prosecution as circumstances dictate.

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# **Private Persons Arrests**

# 364.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance for the handling of private person's arrests made pursuant to ORS 133.220(5).

# 364.2 ADVISING PRIVATE PERSONS OF THE ARREST PROCESS

Officers should use sound discretion in determining whether or not to advise an individual of the arrest process.

- (a) When advising any individual regarding the right to make a private person's arrest, officers should refrain from encouraging or dissuading any individual from making such an arrest and should instead limit advice to the legal requirements for such an arrest as listed below.
- (b) Private individuals should be discouraged from using force to effect a private person's arrest, and absent immediate threat to their own safety or the safety of others, private individuals should be encouraged to refer matters to law enforcement officials for further investigation or arrest.

### 364.3 ARRESTS BY PRIVATE PERSONS

A private person may arrest another person for any crime committed in the presence of the private person if the private person has probable cause to believe the arrested person committed the crime. A person making such an arrest shall, without unnecessary delay, take the arrested person before a magistrate or deliver the arrested person to a peace officer (ORS 133.225).

In making an arrest, a private person may use the amount of force they reasonable believe is necessary to make the arrest or to prevent the arrested person's escape.

# 364.4 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Any officer presented with a private person wishing to make an arrest must determine whether or not there is probable cause to believe that such an arrest would be lawful.

- (a) Should any officer determine that there is no probable cause to believe that a private person's arrest is lawful, the officer should take no action to further detain or restrain the individual beyond that which reasonably appears necessary to investigate the matter, determine the lawfulness of the arrest and protect the public safety.
  - 1. Any officer who determines that a private person's arrest appears to be unlawful should promptly release the arrested individual. The officer must include the basis of such a determination in a related report.
  - Absent probable cause to support a private person's arrest or other lawful grounds to support an independent arrest by the officer, the officer should advise the parties that no arrest will be made and that the circumstances will be documented in a related report.

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- (b) Whenever an officer determines that there is probable cause to believe that a private person's arrest is lawful, the officer may exercise any of the following options:
  - 1. Take the individual into physical custody for booking.
  - 2. Release the individual subsequent to the issuance of a citation for the individual to appear in the appropriate court.

# 364.5 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

In all circumstances in which a private person is claiming to have made an arrest, the individual must sign a Uniform Citation which has been properly prepared by the officer..

Officers shall complete a narrative report regarding the circumstances and disposition of the incident.

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# **Limited English Proficiency Services**

# 368.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance to members when communicating with individuals with limited English proficiency (LEP) (42 USC § 2000d).

### 368.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Authorized interpreter** - A person who has been screened and authorized by the Department to act as an interpreter and/or translator for others.

**Interpret or interpretation** - The act of listening to a communication in one language (source language) and orally converting it to another language (target language), while retaining the same meaning.

**Limited English proficient (LEP)** - Any individual whose primary language is not English and who has a limited ability to read, write, speak or understand English. These individuals may be competent in certain types of communication (e.g., speaking or understanding) but still be LEP for other purposes (e.g., reading or writing). Similarly, LEP designations are context-specific; an individual may possess sufficient English language skills to function in one setting but these skills may be insufficient in other situations.

**Qualified bilingual member** - A member of the Sweet Home Police Department, designated by the Department, who has the ability to communicate fluently, directly and accurately in both English and another language. Bilingual members may be fluent enough to communicate in a non-English language but may not be sufficiently fluent to interpret or translate from one language into another.

**Translate or translation** - The replacement of written text from one language (source language) into an equivalent written text (target language).

#### **368.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to reasonably ensure that LEP individuals have meaningful access to law enforcement services, programs and activities, while not imposing undue burdens on its members.

The Department will not discriminate against or deny any individual access to services, rights or programs based upon national origin or any other protected interest or right.

# 368.3 LEP COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police shall delegate certain responsibilities to an LEP Coordinator. The LEP Coordinator shall be appointed by, and directly responsible to, the Patrol Division Commander or the authorized designee.

The responsibilities of the LEP Coordinator include, but are not limited to:

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- (a) Coordinating and implementing all aspects of the Sweet Home Police Department's LEP services to LEP individuals.
- (b) Developing procedures that will enable members to access LEP services, including telephonic interpreters, and ensuring the procedures are available to all members.
- (c) Ensuring that a list of all qualified bilingual members and authorized interpreters is maintained and available to each Patrol Sergeant and Communications Supervisor. The list should include information regarding the following:
  - 1. Languages spoken
  - 2. Contact information
  - Availability
- (d) Ensuring signage stating that interpreters are available free of charge to LEP individuals is posted in appropriate areas and in the most commonly spoken languages.
- (e) Reviewing existing and newly developed documents to determine which are vital documents and should be translated, and into which languages the documents should be translated.
- (f) Annually assessing demographic data and other resources, including contracted language services utilization data and community-based organizations, to determine if there are additional documents or languages that are appropriate for translation.
- (g) Identifying standards and assessments to be used by the Department to qualify individuals as qualified bilingual members or authorized interpreters.
- (h) Periodically reviewing efforts of the Department in providing meaningful access to LEP individuals, and, as appropriate, developing reports, new procedures, or recommending modifications to this policy.
- (i) Receiving and responding to complaints regarding department LEP services.
- (j) Ensuring appropriate processes are in place to provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints and inquiries regarding discrimination in access to department services, programs and activities.

#### 368.4 FOUR-FACTOR ANALYSIS

Since there are many different languages that members could encounter, the Department will utilize the four-factor analysis outlined in the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients, available at the DOJ website, to determine which measures will provide meaningful access to its services and programs. It is recognized that law enforcement contacts and circumstances will vary considerably. This analysis, therefore, must remain flexible and will require an ongoing balance of four factors, which are:

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- (a) The number or proportion of LEP individuals eligible to be served or likely to be encountered by department members, or who may benefit from programs or services within the jurisdiction of the Department or a particular geographic area.
- (b) The frequency with which LEP individuals are likely to come in contact with department members, programs or services.
- (c) The nature and importance of the contact, program, information or service provided.
- (d) The cost of providing LEP assistance and the resources available.

### 368.5 TYPES OF LEP ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Sweet Home Police Department members should never refuse service to an LEP individual who is requesting assistance, nor should they require an LEP individual to furnish an interpreter as a condition for receiving assistance. The Department will make every reasonable effort to provide meaningful and timely assistance to LEP individuals through a variety of services.

The Department will utilize all reasonably available tools, such as language identification cards, when attempting to determine an LEP individual's primary language.

LEP individuals may choose to accept department-provided LEP services at no cost or they may choose to provide their own.

Department-provided LEP services may include, but are not limited to, the assistance methods described in this policy.

# 368.6 WRITTEN FORMS AND GUIDELINES

Vital documents or those that are frequently used should be translated into languages most likely to be encountered. The LEP Coordinator will arrange to make these translated documents available to members and other appropriate individuals, as necessary.

# 368.7 AUDIO RECORDINGS

The Department may develop audio recordings of important or frequently requested information in a language most likely to be understood by those LEP individuals who are representative of the community being served.

### 368.7.1 QUALIFIED BILINGUAL MEMBERS

Bilingual members may be qualified to provide LEP services when they have demonstrated through established department procedures a sufficient level of skill and competence to fluently communicate in both English and a non-English language. Members utilized for LEP services must demonstrate knowledge of the functions of an interpreter/translator and the ethical issues involved when acting as a language conduit. Additionally, bilingual members must be able to communicate technical and law enforcement terminology, and be sufficiently proficient in the non-English language to perform complicated tasks, such as conducting interrogations, taking statements, collecting evidence or conveying rights or responsibilities.

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When a qualified bilingual member from this department is not available, personnel from other City departments, who have been identified by the Department as having the requisite skills and competence, may be requested.

# 368.8 AUTHORIZED INTERPRETERS

Any person designated by the Department to act as an authorized interpreter and/or translator must have demonstrated competence in both English and the involved non-English language, must have an understanding of the functions of an interpreter that allows for correct and effective translation, and should not be a person with an interest in the department case or investigation involving the LEP individual. A person providing interpretation or translation services may be required to establish the accuracy and trustworthiness of the interpretation or translation in a court proceeding.

Authorized interpreters must pass a screening process established by the LEP Coordinator which demonstrates that their skills and abilities include:

- (a) The competence and ability to communicate information accurately in both English and in the target language.
- (b) Knowledge, in both languages, of any specialized terms or concepts peculiar to this department and of any particularized vocabulary or phraseology used by the LEP individual.
- (c) The ability to understand and adhere to the interpreter role without deviating into other roles, such as counselor or legal adviser.
- (d) Knowledge of the ethical issues involved when acting as a language conduit.

### 368.8.1 SOURCES OF AUTHORIZED INTERPRETERS

The Department may contract with authorized interpreters who are available over the telephone. Members may use these services with the approval of a supervisor and in compliance with established procedures.

Other sources may include:

- Qualified bilingual members of this department or personnel from other City departments.
- Individuals employed exclusively to perform interpretation services.
- Contracted in-person interpreters, such as state or federal court interpreters, among others.
- Interpreters from other agencies who have been qualified as interpreters by this
  department, and with whom the Department has a resource-sharing or other
  arrangement that they will interpret according to department guidelines.

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# 368.8.2 COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS AND OTHER SOURCES OF LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE

Language assistance may be available from community volunteers who have demonstrated competence in either monolingual (direct) communication and/or in interpretation or translation (as noted in above), and have been approved by the Department to communicate with LEP individuals.

Where qualified bilingual members or other authorized interpreters are unavailable to assist, approved community volunteers who have demonstrated competence may be called upon when appropriate. However, department members must carefully consider the nature of the contact and the relationship between the LEP individual and the volunteer to ensure that the volunteer can provide neutral and unbiased assistance.

While family or friends of an LEP individual may offer to assist with communication or interpretation, members should carefully consider the circumstances before relying on such individuals. For example, children should not be relied upon except in exigent or very informal and non-confrontational situations.

#### 368.9 CONTACT AND REPORTING

While all law enforcement contacts, services and individual rights are important, this department will utilize the four-factor analysis to prioritize service to LEP individuals so that such services may be targeted where they are most needed, according to the nature and importance of the particular law enforcement activity involved.

Whenever any member of this department is required to complete a report or other documentation and interpretation services are provided to any involved LEP individual, such services should be noted in the related report. Members should document the type of interpretation services utilized and whether the individual elected to use services provided by the Department or some other identified source.

### 368.10 RECEIVING AND RESPONDING TO REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

The Sweet Home Police Department will take reasonable steps and will work with the Personnel Department to develop in-house language capacity by hiring or appointing qualified members proficient in languages representative of the community being served.

# 368.10.1 EMERGENCY CALLS TO 9-1-1

Department members will make every reasonable effort to promptly accommodate LEP individuals utilizing 9-1-1 lines. When a 9-1-1 call-taker receives a call and determines that the caller is an LEP individual, the call-taker shall quickly determine whether sufficient information can be obtained to initiate an appropriate emergency response. If language assistance is still needed, the language is known and a qualified bilingual member is available in Dispatch, the call shall immediately be handled by the qualified bilingual member.

If a qualified bilingual member is not available or the call-taker is unable to identify the caller's language, the call-taker will contact the contracted telephone interpretation service and establish a three-way call between the call-taker, the LEP individual and the interpreter.

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Dispatchers will make every reasonable effort to dispatch a qualified bilingual member to the assignment, if available and appropriate.

While 9-1-1 calls shall receive top priority, reasonable efforts should also be made to accommodate LEP individuals seeking routine access to services and information by utilizing the resources listed in this policy.

#### 368.11 FIELD ENFORCEMENT

Field enforcement will generally include such contacts as traffic stops, pedestrian stops, serving warrants and restraining orders, crowd/traffic control and other routine field contacts that may involve LEP individuals. The scope and nature of these activities and contacts will inevitably vary. Members and/or supervisors must assess each situation to determine the need and availability of language assistance to all involved LEP individuals and utilize the methods outlined in this policy to provide such assistance.

Although not every situation can be addressed in this policy, it is important that members are able to effectively communicate the reason for a contact, the need for information and the meaning or consequences of any enforcement action. For example, it would be meaningless to request consent to search if the officer is unable to effectively communicate with an LEP individual.

If available, officers should obtain the assistance of a qualified bilingual member or an authorized interpreter before placing an LEP individual under arrest.

# 368.12 INVESTIGATIVE FIELD INTERVIEWS

In any situation where an interview may reveal information that could be used as the basis for arrest or prosecution of an LEP individual and a qualified bilingual member is unavailable or lacks the skills to directly communicate with the LEP individual, an authorized interpreter should be used. This includes interviews conducted during an investigation with victims, witnesses and suspects. In such situations, audio recordings of the interviews should be made when reasonably possible. Identification and contact information for the interpreter (e.g., name, address) should be documented so that the person can be subpoenaed for trial if necessary.

If an authorized interpreter is needed, officers should consider calling for an authorized interpreter in the following order:

- An authorized department member or allied agency interpreter
- An authorized telephone interpreter
- Any other authorized interpreter

Any *Miranda* warnings shall be provided to suspects in their primary language by an authorized interpreter or, if the suspect is literate, by providing a translated *Miranda* warning card.

The use of an LEP individual's bilingual friends, family members, children, neighbors or bystanders may be used only when a qualified bilingual member or authorized interpreter is unavailable and there is an immediate need to interview an LEP individual.

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#### 368.13 CUSTODIAL INTERROGATIONS

Miscommunication during custodial interrogations may have a substantial impact on the evidence presented in a criminal prosecution. Only qualified bilingual members or, if none is available or appropriate, authorized interpreters shall be used during custodial interrogations. *Miranda* warnings shall be provided to suspects in their primary language by the qualified bilingual member or an authorized interpreter.

In order to ensure that translations during custodial interrogations are accurately documented and are admissible as evidence, interrogations should be recorded whenever reasonably possible. See guidance on recording custodial interrogations in the Investigation and Prosecution Policy.

### 368.13.1 INTERPRETER REQUIRED IN ARRESTS

An officer who arrests a person who cannot readily understand or communicate the English language shall, prior to any interrogation or the taking of a statement, make available a qualified interpreter to assist throughout the interrogation or taking of the statement. Fees and expenses of the interpreter will be paid as specified by Oregon law (ORS 133.515).

### **368.14 BOOKINGS**

When gathering information during the booking process, members should remain alert to the impediments that language barriers can create. In the interest of the arrestee's health and welfare, the safety and security of the facility, and to protect individual rights, it is important that accurate medical screening and booking information be obtained. Members should seek the assistance of a qualified bilingual member whenever there is concern that accurate information cannot be obtained or that booking instructions may not be properly understood by an LEP individual.

#### 368.15 COMPLAINTS

The Department shall ensure that LEP individuals who wish to file a complaint regarding members of this department are able to do so. The Department may provide an authorized interpreter or translated forms, as appropriate. Complaints will be referred to the LEP Coordinator.

Investigations into such complaints shall be handled in accordance with the Personnel Complaints Policy. Authorized interpreters used for any interview with an LEP individual during an investigation should not be members of this department.

Any notice required to be sent to an LEP individual as a complaining party pursuant to the Personnel Complaints Policy should be translated or otherwise communicated in a language-accessible manner.

### 368.16 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach programs and other such services offered by this department are important to the ultimate success of more traditional law enforcement duties. This department will continue to work with community groups, local businesses and neighborhoods to provide equal access to such programs and services.

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### **368.17 TRAINING**

To ensure that all members who may have contact with LEP individuals are properly trained, the Department will provide periodic training on this policy and related procedures; including how to access department-authorized telephonic and in-person interpreters and other available resources.

The Training Sergeant shall be responsible for ensuring new members receive LEP training. Those who may have contact with LEP individuals should receive refresher training at least once every two years thereafter. The Training Sergeant shall maintain records of all LEP training provided, and will retain a copy in each member's training file in accordance with established records retention schedules.

### 368.17.1 TRAINING FOR AUTHORIZED INTERPRETERS

All members on the authorized interpreter list must successfully complete prescribed interpreter training. To complete interpreter training successfully, an interpreter must demonstrate proficiency in and ability to communicate information accurately in both English and in the target language, demonstrate knowledge in both languages of any specialized terms or phraseology, and understand and adhere to the interpreter role without deviating into other roles, such as counselor or legal adviser.

Members on the authorized interpreter list must receive refresher training annually or they will be removed from the authorized interpreter list. This annual training should include language skills competency (including specialized terminology) and ethical considerations.

The Training Sergeant shall be responsible for coordinating the annual refresher training and will maintain a record of all training the interpreters have received.



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# **Communications with Persons with Disabilities**

# 370.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance to members when communicating with individuals with disabilities, including those who are deaf or hard of hearing, have impaired speech or vision, or are blind.

### 370.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Auxiliary aids** - Tools used to communicate with people who have a disability or impairment. They include, but are not limited to, the use of gestures or visual aids to supplement oral communication; a notepad and pen or pencil to exchange written notes; a computer or typewriter; an assistive listening system or device to amplify sound; a teletypewriter (TTY) or videophones (video relay service or VRS); taped text; qualified readers or a qualified interpreter.

**Disability or impairment** - A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, including hearing or seeing, regardless of whether the disabled person uses assistive or adaptive devices or auxiliary aids. Individuals who wear ordinary eyeglasses or contact lenses are not considered to have a disability (42 USC § 12102).

**Qualified interpreter** - A person who is able to interpret effectively, accurately and impartially, both receptively and expressively, using any necessary specialized vocabulary. Qualified interpreters include oral interpreters, transliterators, sign language interpreters and intermediary interpreters.

# **370.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to reasonably ensure that people with disabilities, including victims, witnesses, suspects and arrestees have equal access to law enforcement services, programs and activities. Members must make efforts to communicate effectively with individuals with disabilities.

The Department will not discriminate against or deny any individual access to services, rights or programs based upon disabilities.

# 370.3 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES (ADA) COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police shall delegate certain responsibilities to an ADA Coordinator (28 CFR 35.107). The ADA Coordinator shall be appointed by, and directly responsible, to the Patrol Division Commander or the authorized designee.

The responsibilities of the ADA Coordinator shall include, but not be limited to:

- (a) Working with the City ADA coordinator regarding the Sweet Home Police Department's efforts to ensure equal access to services, programs and activities.
- (b) Developing reports, new procedures, or recommending modifications to this policy.

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- (c) Acting as a liaison with local disability advocacy groups or other disability groups regarding access to department services, programs and activities.
- (d) Ensuring that a list of qualified interpreter services is maintained and available to each Patrol Sergeant and Communications Supervisor. The list should include information regarding the following:
  - 1. Contact information
  - 2. Availability
- (e) Developing procedures that will enable members to access auxiliary aids or services, including qualified interpreters, and ensure the procedures are available to all members.
- (f) Ensuring signage is posted in appropriate areas, indicating that auxiliary aids are available free of charge to people with disabilities.
- (g) Ensuring appropriate processes are in place to provide for the prompt and equitable resolution of complaints and inquiries regarding discrimination in access to department services, programs and activities.

### 370.4 FACTORS TO CONSIDER

Because the nature of any law enforcement contact may vary substantially from one situation to the next, members of this department should consider all information reasonably available to them when determining how to communicate with an individual with a disability. Members should carefully balance all known factors in an effort to reasonably ensure people who are disabled have equal access to services, programs and activities. These factors may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Members should not always assume that effective communication is being achieved. The fact that an individual appears to be nodding in agreement does not always mean he/she completely understands the message. When there is any doubt, members should ask the individual to communicate back or otherwise demonstrate their understanding.
- (b) The nature of the disability (e.g., deafness or blindness vs. hard of hearing or low vision).
- (c) The nature of the law enforcement contact (e.g., emergency vs. non-emergency, custodial vs. consensual contact).
- (d) The availability of auxiliary aids. The fact that a particular aid is not available does not eliminate the obligation to reasonably ensure access. However, in an emergency, availability may factor into the type of aid used.

# 370.5 INITIAL AND IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATIONS

Recognizing that various law enforcement encounters may be potentially volatile and/or emotionally charged, members should remain alert to the possibility of communication problems.

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Members should exercise special care in the use of all gestures, and verbal and written communication to minimize initial confusion and misunderstanding when dealing with any individual with known or suspected disabilities.

In a non-emergency situation, when a member knows or suspects an individual requires assistance to effectively communicate, the member shall identify the individual's choice of auxiliary aid or service.

The individual's preferred communication method must be honored unless another effective method of communication exists under the circumstances (28 CFR 35.160).

Factors to consider when determining whether an alternative method is effective include:

- (a) The methods of communication usually used by the individual.
- (b) The nature, length and complexity of the communication involved.
- (c) The context of the communication.

In emergency situations involving an imminent threat to the safety or welfare of any person, members may use whatever auxiliary aids and services that reasonably appear effective under the circumstances. This may include, for example, exchanging written notes or using the services of a person who knows sign language but is not a qualified interpreter, even if the person who is deaf or hard of hearing would prefer a qualified sign language interpreter or another appropriate auxiliary aid or service. Once the emergency has ended, the continued method of communication should be reconsidered. The member should inquire as to the individual's preference and give primary consideration to that preference.

If an individual who is deaf, hard of hearing or has impaired speech must be handcuffed while in the custody of the Sweet Home Police Department, consideration should be given, safety permitting, to placing the handcuffs in the front of the body to facilitate communication using sign language or writing.

# 370.6 TYPES OF ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Sweet Home Police Department members shall never refuse to assist an individual with disabilities who is requesting assistance. The Department will not charge anyone to receive auxiliary aids, nor shall they require anyone to furnish their own auxiliary aid or service as a condition for receiving assistance. The Department will make every reasonable effort to provide equal access and timely assistance to individuals who are disabled through a variety of services.

A person who is disabled may choose to accept department-provided auxiliary aids or services or they may choose to provide their own.

Department-provided auxiliary aids or services may include, but are not limited to, the assistance methods described in this policy.

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#### 370.7 AUDIO RECORDINGS AND ENLARGED PRINT

The Department may develop audio recordings to assist people who are blind or have a visual impairment with accessing important information. If such a recording is not available, members may read aloud from the appropriate form, for example a personnel complaint form, or provide forms with enlarged print.

#### 370.8 QUALIFIED INTERPRETERS

A qualified interpreter may be needed in lengthy or complex transactions (e.g., interviewing a victim, witness, suspect or arrestee), if the individual to be interviewed normally relies on sign language or speechreading (lip-reading) to understand what others are saying. The qualified interpreter should not be a person with an interest in the case or the investigation. A person providing interpretation services may be required to establish the accuracy and trustworthiness of the interpretation in a court proceeding.

Qualified interpreters should be:

- (a) Available within a reasonable amount of time but in no event longer than one hour if requested.
- (b) Experienced in providing interpretation services related to law enforcement matters.
- (c) Familiar with the use of VRS and/or video remote interpreting services.
- (d) Certified in either American Sign Language (ASL) or Signed English (SE).
- (e) Able to understand and adhere to the interpreter role without deviating into other roles, such as counselor or legal adviser.
- (f) Knowledgeable of the ethical issues involved when providing interpreter services.

Members should use department-approved procedures to request a qualified interpreter at the earliest reasonable opportunity, and generally not more than 15 minutes after a request for an interpreter has been made or it is reasonably apparent that an interpreter is needed. No individual who is disabled shall be required to provide his/her own interpreter (28 CFR 35.160).

#### 370.9 TTY AND RELAY SERVICES

In situations where an individual without a disability would have access to a telephone (e.g., booking or attorney contacts), members must also provide those who are deaf, hard of hearing or have impaired speech the opportunity to place calls using an available TTY (also known as a telecommunications device for deaf people, or TDD). Members shall provide additional time, as needed, for effective communication due to the slower nature of TTY and TDD communications.

The Department will accept all TTY or TDD calls placed by those who are deaf or hard of hearing and received via a telecommunications relay service (28 CFR 35.162).

Note that relay services translate verbatim, so the conversation must be conducted as if speaking directly to the caller.

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#### 370.10 COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Interpreter services may be available from community volunteers who have demonstrated competence in communication services, such as ASL or SE, and have been approved by the Department to provide interpreter services.

Where qualified interpreters are unavailable to assist, approved community volunteers who have demonstrated competence may be called upon when appropriate. However, department members must carefully consider the nature of the contact and the relationship between the individual with the disability and the volunteer to ensure that the volunteer can provide neutral and unbiased assistance.

#### 370.11 FAMILY AND FRIENDS

While family or friends may offer to assist with interpretation, members should carefully consider the circumstances before relying on such individuals. The nature of the contact and relationship between the individual with the disability and the person offering services must be carefully considered (e.g., victim/suspect).

Children shall not be relied upon except in emergency or critical situations when there is no qualified interpreter reasonably available.

Adults may be relied upon when (28 CFR 35.160):

- (a) There is an emergency or critical situation and there is no qualified interpreter reasonably available.
- (b) The person with the disability requests that the adult interpret or facilitate communication and the adult agrees to provide such assistance, and reliance on that adult for such assistance is reasonable under the circumstances.

#### 370.12 REPORTING

Whenever any member of this department is required to complete a report or other documentation, and communication assistance has been provided, such services should be noted in the related report. Members should document the type of communication services utilized and whether the individual elected to use services provided by the Department or some other identified source. If the individual's express preference is not honored, the member must document why another method of communication was used.

All written communications exchanged in a criminal case shall be attached to the report or placed into evidence.

#### 370.13 FIELD ENFORCEMENT

Field enforcement will generally include such contacts as traffic stops, pedestrian stops, serving warrants and restraining orders, crowd/traffic control and other routine field contacts that may involve individuals with disabilities. The scope and nature of these activities and contacts will inevitably vary.

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The Department recognizes that it would be virtually impossible to provide immediate access to complete communication services to every member of this department. Members and/or supervisors must assess each situation and consider the length, complexity and importance of the communication, as well as the individual's preferred method of communication, when determining the type of resources to use and whether a qualified interpreter is needed.

Although not every situation can be addressed in this policy, it is important that members are able to effectively communicate the reason for a contact, the need for information and the meaning or consequences of any enforcement action. For example, it would be meaningless to verbally request consent to search if the officer is unable to effectively communicate with an individual who is deaf or hard of hearing and requires communications assistance.

If available, officers should obtain the assistance of a qualified interpreter before placing an individual with a disability under arrest. Individuals who are arrested and are assisted by service animals should be permitted to make arrangements for the care of such animals prior to transport.

#### 370.13.1 FIELD RESOURCES

Examples of methods that may be sufficient for transactions, such as checking a license or giving directions to a location or for urgent situations such as responding to a violent crime in progress, may, depending on the circumstances, include such simple things as:

- (a) Hand gestures or visual aids with an individual who is deaf, hard of hearing or has impaired speech.
- (b) Exchange of written notes or communications.
- (c) Verbal communication with an individual who can speechread by facing the individual and speaking slowly and clearly.
- (d) Use of computer, word processing, personal communication device or similar device to exchange texts or notes.
- (e) Slowly and clearly speaking or reading simple terms to individuals who have a visual or mental impairment.

Members should be aware that these techniques may not provide effective communication as required by law and this policy depending on the circumstances.

#### 370.14 CUSTODIAL INTERROGATIONS

In an effort to ensure that the rights of individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech impairment are protected during a custodial interrogation, this department will provide interpreter services before beginning an interrogation, unless exigent circumstances exist or the individual has made a clear indication that he/she understands the process and desires to proceed without an interpreter. The use of a video remote interpreting service should be considered, where appropriate, if a live interpreter is not available. *Miranda* warnings shall be provided to suspects who are deaf or hard of hearing by a qualified interpreter or by providing a written *Miranda* warning card.

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In order to ensure that communications during custodial investigations are accurately documented and are admissible as evidence, interrogations should be recorded whenever reasonably possible. See guidance on recording custodial interrogations in the Investigation and Prosecution Policy.

#### 370.14.1 INTERPRETER REQUIRED IN ARRESTS

An officer who arrests a person who is deaf, has a physical hearing impairment or physical speaking impairment shall, prior to any interrogation or the taking of a statement, make available a qualified interpreter to assist throughout the interrogation or taking of the statement. Fees and expenses of the interpreter will be paid as specified by Oregon law (ORS 133.515).

#### 370.15 ARRESTS AND BOOKINGS

If an individual with speech or hearing disabilities is arrested, the arresting officer shall use department-approved procedures to provide a qualified interpreter at the place of arrest or booking as soon as reasonably practicable, unless the individual indicates that he/she prefers a different auxiliary aid or service or the officer reasonably determines another effective method of communication exists under the circumstances.

When gathering information during the booking process, members should remain alert to the impediments that often exist when communicating with those who are deaf, hard of hearing, who have impaired speech or vision, are blind, or have other disabilities. In the interest of the arrestee's health and welfare, the safety and security of the facility and to protect individual rights, it is important that accurate medical screening and booking information be obtained. If necessary, members should seek the assistance of a qualified interpreter whenever there is concern that accurate information cannot be obtained or that booking instructions may not be properly understood by the individual.

Individuals who require and possess personally owned communication aids (e.g., hearing aids, cochlear processors) should be permitted to retain them while in custody.

#### 370.16 COMPLAINTS

The Department shall ensure that individuals with disabilities who wish to file a complaint regarding members of this department are able to do so. The Department may provide a qualified interpreter or forms in enlarged print, as appropriate. Complaints will be referred to the department ADA Coordinator.

Investigations into such complaints shall be handled in accordance with the Personnel Complaints Policy. Qualified interpreters used during the investigation of a complaint should not be members of this Department.

#### 370.17 COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach programs and other such services offered by this department are important to the ultimate success of more traditional law enforcement duties. This department will continue to work with community groups, local businesses and neighborhoods to provide equal access to such programs and services.

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#### **370.18 TRAINING**

To ensure that all members who may have contact with individuals who are disabled are properly trained, the Department will provide periodic training that should include:

- (a) Awareness and understanding of this policy and related procedures, related forms and available resources.
- (b) Procedures for accessing qualified interpreters and other available resources.
- (c) Working with in-person and telephone interpreters and related equipment.

The Training Sergeant shall be responsible for ensuring new members receive training related to interacting with individuals who have disabilities, including individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, who have impaired speech or vision, or are blind. Those who may have contact with such individuals should receive refresher training at least once every two years thereafter. The Training Sergeant shall maintain records of all training provided, and will retain a copy in each member's training file in accordance with established records retention schedules.

#### 370.18.1 CALL-TAKER TRAINING

Emergency call-takers shall be trained in the use of TTY equipment protocols for communicating with individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or who have speech impairments. Such training and information should include:

- (a) The requirements of the ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act for telephone emergency service providers.
- (b) ASL syntax and accepted abbreviations.
- (c) Practical instruction on identifying and processing TTY or TDD calls, including the importance of recognizing silent TTY or TDD calls, using proper syntax, abbreviations and protocol when responding to TTY or TDD calls.
- (d) Hands-on experience in TTY and TDD communications, including identification of TTY or TDD tones.

Training should be mandatory for all Dispatch members who may have contact with individuals from the public who are deaf, hard of hearing or have impaired speech. Refresher training should occur every six months.

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# **Stalking**

#### 376.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes procedures for the investigation and enforcement of stalking complaints (ORS 163.730 et seq.).

#### **376.2 POLICY**

Stalking behavior frequently results in serious injury and emotional trauma to victims and it is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to ensure that complaints of stalking will be given high priority and that every formal stalking complaint will be thoroughly investigated and forwarded to the District Attorney's Office.

#### 376.2.1 UNIFORM STALKING COMPLAINT

The Department will make available an Oregon Uniform Stalking Complaint form to any person desiring to file a stalking complaint using this process instead of the Linn County Courts Stalking Complaint Procedure, regardless of where the violation is alleged to have occurred.

Officers will provide reasonable assistance as necessary to petitioners to properly complete and sign the form. Upon receipt of a Uniform Stalking Complaint, officers will review and sign the form and complete a thorough investigation. All stalking incident reports shall be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office, regardless of whether any civil or criminal action was taken, within three days (ORS 163.738(7)).

#### 376.3 UNIFORM STALKING COMPLAINT

The Department will make available an Oregon Uniform Stalking Complaint form to any person desiring to file a stalking complaint regardless of where the violation is alleged to have occurred. Officers will provide reasonable assistance as necessary to petitioners to properly complete and sign the form.

Upon receipt of a Uniform Stalking Complaint, officers shall complete a thorough investigation. All stalking incident reports and the results of any investigation shall be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office within three days, regardless of whether any civil or criminal action was taken (ORS 163.744; ORS 163.738(7)).

#### 376.4 UNIFORM STALKING CITATION

If after investigating a stalking complaint the officer has probable cause to believe that the offense of stalking has occurred as provided in ORS 163.732(1), the officer shall issue and attempt to serve a Uniform Stalking Citation to the respondent to appear in court within three judicial days of service to determine if a Stalking Protective Order will be issued (ORS 163.735; ORS 163.738).

#### 376.4.1 SERVICE OF STALKING CITATIONS

If the Uniform Stalking Citation is served on a respondent, the District Attorney's Office will initiate the hearing process. Officers should:

(a) Advise the respondent of the following:

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- 1. The court date and time and location of appearance
- 2. The contents of the citation and the state and federal law restrictions contained on the front and back of the respondent's copy of the citation
- 3. That if the respondent fails to appear at the hearing, a warrant will be issued for their arrest, as well as a Stalking Protective Order
- 4. That engaging in behavior that alarms or coerces the petitioner may result in their arrest
- (b) Provide a copy to the petitioner and advise the petitioner that they must also appear at the hearing or the complaint will be dismissed and the Stalking Protective Order will not be issued.

If there is probable cause to issue a citation, but the citation is not served, officers should:

- (a) Document attempts to serve the respondent.
- (b) Refer the victim to the following for assistance in obtaining a civil Stalking Protective Order:
  - 1. A private attorney
  - 2. Legal Aid
  - 3. The District Attorney's office Victim Assistance Unit

#### **376.5 ARREST**

Officers may arrest or cite a suspect for any criminal offense committed (including stalking) if the statutory elements have been met, as well as issue a (civil) Uniform Stalking Citation; the two actions are not mutually exclusive.

#### 376.5.1 STALKING PROTECTIVE ORDERS

Once the court issues a Stalking Protective Order and it is served on the respondent, officers may arrest the respondent for violating the terms of the order (ORS 163.750).

#### 376.6 RESTRAINING ORDERS

Court stalking orders and restraining orders are different and are not mutually exclusive. Stalking reports may be appropriate even if a valid restraining order is in place.

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# Officer Wellness Program

#### 377.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department places great value on the wellness of its members, with specific priority on the wellness of Telecommunicators and Police Officers. The department has established an Officer Wellness Program that is intended to provide for the physical, mental, psychological and spiritual well-being of its members. The program will take a "hire through retire" approach, to insure that all members of the department experience a successful career and family life, and are rewarded with a chance to enjoy retirement.

The program will focus on preventing, reducing and/or mitigating the job-related stress that employees often face and have and adverse impact on the employee's efficiency and effectiveness. Many of the stressors are unique to the law enforcement profession and if not addressed may lead to stress related illness and other health issues, as well as post-traumatic-stress.

#### 377.2 PROGRAM COMPONENTS

The Sweet Home Police Department Officer Wellness Program will include, but may not be limited to the following components;

- Chaplain Program
- Critical Incident Stress Management System
- Non-Disciplinary Self reporting of suicidal ideations

#### 377.2.1 PROGRAM FUNDING

As the Sweet Home Police Department refines and expands the Wellness Program, additional sources of funding, such as partner organizations and grant funding, will be sought to fund some or all of the programs.

#### 377.3 PROGRAM OVERSIGHT

The Officer Wellness Program will fall under the direction of the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police will insure all components of the program are appropriately managed and supervised, and operate in accordance with best practices as established by current industry standards. On a yearly basis the Chief of Police will form a wellness committee comprised of department employees to review the Wellness Program and to make recommendations associated with the program.

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# **Child and Dependent Adult Safety**

#### 380.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines to ensure that children and dependent adults are not left without appropriate care in the event their caregiver or guardian is arrested or otherwise prevented from providing care due to actions taken by members of this department.

This policy does not address the actions to be taken during the course of a child abuse or dependent adult investigation. These are covered in the Child Abuse Policy and the Adult Abuse Policy.

#### **380.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of this department to mitigate, to the extent reasonably possible, the stressful experience individuals may have when their parent or caregiver is arrested. The Sweet Home Police Department will endeavor to create a strong, cooperative relationship with local, state and community-based social services to ensure an effective, collaborative response that addresses the needs of those affected, including call-out availability and follow-up responsibilities.

#### 380.3 PROCEDURES DURING AN ARREST

When encountering an arrest or prolonged detention situation officers should make reasonable attempts to determine if the arrestee is responsible for children or dependent adults. In some cases this may be obvious, such as when children or dependent adults are present. However, officers should inquire if the arrestee has caregiver responsibilities for any children or dependent adults who are without appropriate supervision. The following steps should be taken:

- (a) Inquire about and confirm the location of any children or dependent adults.
- (b) Look for evidence of children and dependent adults. Officers should be mindful that some arrestees may conceal the fact that they have a dependent for fear the individual may be taken from them.
- (c) Consider inquiring of witnesses, neighbors, friends and relatives of the arrestee as to whether the person is responsible for a child or dependent adult.

Whenever reasonably possible, officers should take reasonable steps to accomplish the arrest of a parent, guardian or caregiver out of the presence of his/her child or dependent adult. Removing children or dependent adults from the scene in advance of the arrest will generally ensure the best outcome for the individual.

Whenever it is safe to do so, officers should allow the parent or caregiver to assure children or dependent adults that they will be provided care. If this is not safe or if the demeanor of the parent or caregiver suggests this conversation would be non-productive, the officer at the scene should explain the reason for the arrest in age-appropriate language and offer reassurance to the child or dependent adult that he/she will receive appropriate care.

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#### 380.3.1 AFTER AN ARREST

Whenever an arrest is made, the officer should take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of the arrestee's disclosed or discovered children or dependent adults.

Officers should allow the arrestee reasonable time to arrange for care of children and dependent adults. Temporary placement with family or friends may be appropriate. However, any decision should give priority to a care solution that is in the best interest of the child or dependent adult. In such cases the following guidelines should be followed:

- (a) Allow the person reasonable time to arrange for the care of children and dependent adults with a responsible party, as appropriate.
  - 1. Unless there is evidence to the contrary (e.g., signs of abuse, drug use, unsafe environment), officers should respect the parent or caregiver's judgment regarding arrangements for care. It is generally best if the child or dependent adult remains with relatives or family friends that he/she knows and trusts because familiarity with surroundings and consideration for comfort, emotional state and safety are important.
  - 2. Except when a court order exists limiting contact, the officer should attempt to locate and place children or dependent adults with the non-arrested parent, guardian or caregiver.
- (b) Provide for the immediate supervision of children or dependent adults until an appropriate caregiver arrives.
- (c) Notify Child Protective Services, if appropriate.
- (d) Notify the field supervisor or Patrol Sergeant of the disposition of children or dependent adults.

If children or dependent adults are at school or another known location outside the household at the time of arrest, the arresting officer should attempt to contact the school or other known location and inform the principal or appropriate responsible adult of the caregiver's arrest and of the arrangements being made for the care of the arrestee's dependent. The result of such actions should be documented in the associated report.

#### 380.3.2 DURING THE BOOKING PROCESS

During the booking process, the arrestee shall be allowed to make additional telephone calls to relatives or other responsible individuals as is reasonably necessary to arrange for the care of any child or dependent adult. These telephone calls should be given as soon as practicable and are in addition to any other telephone calls allowed by law.

If an arrestee is unable to resolve the care of any child or dependent adult through this process, a supervisor should be contacted to determine the appropriate steps to arrange for care. These steps may include additional telephone calls or contacting a local, county or state services agency.

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#### 380.3.3 REPORTING

- (a) For all arrests where children are present or living in the household, the reporting member will document the following information:
  - 1. Name
  - 2. Sex
  - 3. Age
  - 4. Special needs (e.g., medical, mental health)
  - 5. How, where and with whom or which agency the child was placed
  - 6. Identities and contact information for other potential caregivers
  - 7. Notifications made to other adults (e.g., schools, relatives)
- (b) For all arrests where dependent adults are present or living in the household, the reporting member will document the following information:
  - 1. Name
  - 2. Sex
  - 3. Age
  - 4. Whether he/she reasonably appears able to care for him/herself
  - 5. Disposition or placement information if he/she is unable to care for him/herself

#### 380.3.4 SUPPORT AND COUNSELING REFERRAL

If, in the judgment of the handling officers, the child or dependent adult would benefit from additional assistance, such as counseling services, contact with a victim advocate or a crisis telephone number, the appropriate referral information may be provided.

#### 380.4 DEPENDENT WELFARE SERVICES

Whenever an arrestee is unwilling or incapable of arranging for the appropriate care of any child or dependent adult, the handling officer should contact the appropriate welfare service or other department-approved social service to determine whether protective custody is appropriate.

Only when other reasonable options are exhausted should a child or dependent adult be transported to the police facility, transported in a marked law enforcement vehicle or taken into formal protective custody.

Under no circumstances should a child or dependent adult be left unattended or without appropriate care.

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#### 380.5 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant is responsible to ensure that all members of this department who may be involved in arrests affecting children or dependent adults receive approved training on effective safety measures when a parent, guardian or caregiver is arrested.

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# **Service Animals**

#### 382.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Service animals play an important role in helping to overcome the limitations often faced by people with disabilities. The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes this need and is committed to making reasonable modifications to its policies, practices and procedures in accordance with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) to permit the use of service animals that are individually trained to assist a person with a disability.

#### 382.2 SERVICE ANIMALS

The ADA defines a service animal as any dog or miniature horse that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual or other mental disability. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the owner's disability (28 CFR 35.104).

#### 382.2.1 STATE LAW

Oregon law expands the definition of a service or assistance animal to include a dog or other animal designated by administrative rule that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual (OAR 839-006-0345).

#### 382.2.2 USE OF SERVICE ANIMALS

Some service animals may be readily identifiable. However, many do not have a distinctive symbol, harness or collar. Service animals are not pets and may be trained by an individual or organization to assist people with disabilities.

The following examples are some of the ways service animals may be used to provide assistance:

- Guiding people who are blind or have low vision.
- Alerting people who are deaf or hard of hearing.
- Retrieving or picking up items, opening doors or flipping switches for people who have limited use of their hands, arms or legs.
- Pulling wheelchairs.
- Providing physical support and assisting people with stability and balance.
- Doing work or performing tasks for persons with traumatic brain injury, intellectual disabilities or psychiatric disabilities, such as reminding a person with depression to take medication.
- Alerting a person with anxiety to the onset of panic attacks, providing tactile stimulation to calm a person with post-traumatic stress disorder, assisting people with schizophrenia to distinguish between hallucinations and reality, and helping people with traumatic brain injury to locate misplaced items or follow daily routines.

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#### 382.3 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Service animals that are assisting individuals with disabilities are permitted in all public facilities and areas where the general public is allowed. Department members are expected to treat individuals with service animals with the same courtesy and respect that the Sweet Home Police Department affords to all members of the public.

If an animal exhibits vicious behavior, poses a direct threat to the health of others or unreasonably disrupts or interferes with normal business operations an officer may direct the owner to remove the animal from the premises. Barking alone is not a threat nor does a direct threat exist if the person takes prompt, effective action to control the animal. Each incident must be considered individually and past incidents alone are not cause for excluding a service animal. Removal of a service animal may not be used as a reason to refuse service to an individual with disabilities. Members of this department are expected to provide all services as are reasonably available to an individual with a disability.

If it is apparent or if an officer is aware the animal is a service animal, the owner should not be asked any questions as to the status of the animal. If it is unclear whether an animal meets the definition of a service animal, the officer should ask the individual only the following questions:

- Is the animal required because of a disability?
- What task or service has the service animal been trained to perform?

If the individual explains that the animal is required because of a disability and has been trained to work or perform at least one task the animal meets the definition of a service animal and no further question as to the animal's status should be asked. The person should not be questioned about his/her disabilities nor should the person be asked to provide any license, certification or identification card for the service animal.

Service animals are not pets. Department members should not interfere with the important work performed by a service animal by talking to, petting or otherwise initiating contact with a service animal.

When handling calls of a complaint regarding a service animal, members of this department should remain neutral and should be prepared to explain the ADA requirements concerning service animals to the concerned parties. Businesses are required to allow service animals to accompany their owner into all areas that other customers or members of the public are allowed.

Absent a violation of law independent of the ADA, officers should take no enforcement action beyond keeping the peace. Individuals who believe they have been discriminated against as the result of a disability should be referred to the Civil Rights Division of the U.S. Department of Justice.

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# **Public Safety Video Surveillance System**

#### 384.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance for the placement and monitoring of department public safety video surveillance, as well as the storage and release of the captured images.

This policy only applies to overt, marked public safety video surveillance systems operated by the Department. It does not apply to mobile audio/video systems, covert audio/video systems or any other image-capturing devices used by the Department.

#### **384.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Departmentmay choose to operate a public safety video surveillance system to complement its anti-crime strategy, to effectively allocate and deploy personnel, and to enhance public safety and security in public areas. Cameras may be placed in strategic locations throughout the City to detect and deter crime, to help safeguard against potential threats to the public, to help manage emergency response situations during natural and man-made disasters and to assist City officials in providing services to the community.

Video surveillance in public areas will be conducted in a legal and ethical manner while recognizing and protecting constitutional standards of privacy.

#### 384.3 OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

Only department-approved video surveillance equipment shall be utilized. Members authorized to monitor video surveillance equipment should only monitor public areas and public activities where no reasonable expectation of privacy exists. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall approve all proposed locations for the use of video surveillance technology and should consult with and be guided by legal counsel as necessary in making such determinations.

#### 384.3.1 PLACEMENT AND MONITORING

departmentCamera placement will be guided by the underlying purpose or strategy associated with the overall video surveillance plan. As appropriate, the Chief of Police should confer with other affected City divisions and designated community groups when evaluating camera placement. Environmental factors, including lighting, location of buildings, presence of vegetation or other obstructions, should also be evaluated when determining placement.

Cameras shall only record video images and not sound. Recorded images may be used for a variety of purposes, including criminal investigations and monitoring of activity around high-value or high-threat areas. The public safety video surveillance system may be useful for the following purposes:

- (a) To prevent, deter and identify criminal activity.
- (b) To target identified areas of gang and narcotics complaints or activity.
- (c) To respond to critical incidents.
- (d) To assist in identifying, apprehending and prosecuting offenders.

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- (e) To document officer and offender conduct during interactions to safeguard the rights of the public and officers.
- (f) To augment resources in a cost-effective manner.
- (g) To monitor pedestrian and vehicle traffic activity.

Images from each camera should be recorded in a manner consistent with the underlying purpose of the particular camera. Images should be transmitted to monitors installed in Dispatch. When activity warranting further investigation is reported or detected at any camera location, the available information should be provided to responding officers in a timely manner. The Patrol Sergeant or trained Dispatch personnel are authorized to adjust the cameras to more effectively view a particular area for any legitimate public safety purpose.

The Chief of Police may authorize video feeds from the public safety video surveillance system to be forwarded to a specified location for monitoring by other than police personnel, such as allied government agencies, road or traffic crews, or fire or emergency operations personnel.

Unauthorized recording, viewing, reproduction, dissemination or retention is prohibited.

#### 384.3.2 CAMERA MARKINGS

All public areas monitored by public safety surveillance equipment shall be marked in a conspicuous manner with appropriate signs to inform the public that the area is under police surveillance. Signs should be well lit, placed appropriately and without obstruction to ensure visibility.

#### 384.3.3 INTEGRATION WITH OTHER TECHNOLOGY

The Department may elect to integrate its public safety video surveillance system with other technology to enhance available information. Systems such as gunshot detection, incident mapping, crime analysis, license plate recognition, facial recognition and other video-based analytical systems may be considered based upon availability and the nature of department strategy.

The Department should evaluate the availability and propriety of networking or otherwise collaborating with appropriate private sector entities and should evaluate whether the use of certain camera systems, such as pan-tilt-zoom systems and video enhancement or other analytical technology, requires additional safeguards.

#### 384.4 VIDEO SUPERVISION

Supervisors should monitor video surveillance access and usage to ensure members are within department policy and applicable laws. Supervisors should ensure such use and access is appropriately documented.

#### 384.4.1 VIDEO LOG

A log should be maintained at all locations where video surveillance monitors are located. The log should be used to document all persons not assigned to the monitoring locations who have

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been given access to view or monitor images provided by the video surveillance cameras. The logs should, at a minimum, record the:

- (a) Date and time access was given.
- (b) Name and agency of the person being given access to the images.
- (c) Name of person authorizing access.
- (d) Identifiable portion of images viewed.

#### 384.4.2 PROHIBITED ACTIVITY

Public safety video surveillance systems will not intentionally be used to invade the privacy of individuals or observe areas where a reasonable expectation of privacy exists.

Public safety video surveillance equipment shall not be used in an unequal or discriminatory manner and shall not target individuals or groups based solely on actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, or disability.

Video surveillance equipment shall not be used to harass, intimidate, or discriminate against any individual or group.

#### 384.5 STORAGE AND RETENTION OF MEDIA

All downloaded media shall be stored in a secure area with access restricted to authorized persons. A recording needed as evidence shall be copied to a suitable medium and booked into evidence in accordance with established evidence procedures. All actions taken with respect to retention of media shall be appropriately documented.

The type of video surveillance technology employed and the manner in which recordings are used and stored will affect retention periods. The recordings should be stored and retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

#### 384.5.1 EVIDENTIARY INTEGRITY

All downloaded and retained media shall be treated in the same manner as other evidence. Media shall be accessed, maintained, stored and retrieved in a manner that ensures its integrity as evidence, including strict adherence to chain of custody requirements. Electronic trails, including encryption, digital masking of innocent or uninvolved individuals to preserve anonymity, authenticity certificates and date and time stamping, shall be used as appropriate to preserve individual rights and to ensure the authenticity and maintenance of a secure evidentiary chain of custody.

#### 384.6 VIDEO SURVEILLANCE AUDIT

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee will conduct an annual review of the public safety video surveillance system. The review should include an analysis of the cost, benefit and effectiveness of the system, including any public safety issues that were effectively addressed or

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any significant prosecutions that resulted, and any systemic operational or administrative issues that were identified, including those related to training, discipline or policy.

The results of each review shall be appropriately documented and maintained by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee and other applicable advisory bodies. Any recommendations for training or policy should be promptly addressed.

#### 384.7 TRAINING

All department members authorized to operate or access public video surveillance systems shall receive appropriate training. Training should include guidance on the use of cameras, interaction with dispatch and patrol operations and a review regarding relevant policies and procedures, including this policy. Training should also address state and federal law related to the use of video surveillance equipment and privacy.

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# **Volunteer Program**

#### 386.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

It is the policy of this department to use qualified volunteers for specified tasks and duties in order to create efficiencies for the Department and improve services to the community. Volunteers are intended to supplement and support, rather than supplant, sworn officers and civilian personnel. Volunteers can be an important part of any organization and have proven to be a valuable asset to law enforcement agencies. Volunteers help to increase departmental responsiveness, delivery of services and information input, and provide new program opportunities. In addition, volunteers bring new skills and expertise to the Department and prompt new enthusiasm.

#### 386.1.1 DEFINITION OF VOLUNTEER

An individual who performs a service for the Department without promise, expectation or receipt of compensation for services rendered. This may include unpaid chaplains, unpaid reserve officers, interns, persons providing administrative support and youth involved in a law enforcement Explorer Post, among others.

#### 386.2 VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT

#### 386.2.1 VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

The Community Services Officer shall act as the Volunteer Coordinator. He/she will provide a central coordinating point for effective volunteer management within the Department and direct and assist staff with volunteer efforts to jointly provide more productive services. The Volunteer Coordinator should work with other Department staff on an ongoing basis to assist in the development and implementation of volunteer-staffed positions.

The Volunteer Coordinator, or his/her designee, shall be responsible for the following:

- (a) Recruiting, selecting and training qualified volunteers for various positions.
- (b) Facilitating the implementation of new volunteer activities and assignments.
- (c) Maintaining records for each volunteer.
- (d) Tracking and evaluating the contribution of volunteers.
- (e) Outline expectations, policies and responsibilities for all volunteers.
- (f) Maintaining a record of volunteer schedules and work hours.
- (g) Completion and dissemination as appropriate of all necessary paperwork and information.
- (h) Planning periodic recognition events.
- (i) Administering discipline when warranted.
- (j) Maintaining liaison with other volunteer-utilizing programs in the community and assisting in community-wide efforts to recognize and promote volunteering.

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#### 386.2.2 RECRUITMENT

Volunteers should be recruited on a continuous and ongoing basis consistent with department policy on equal opportunity nondiscriminatory employment. A primary qualification for participation in the application process should be an interest in, and an ability to assist the Department in serving the public. Successful completion of the Sweet Home Police Citizen's Academy may be a prerequisite for some volunteer positions.

#### **386.2.3 SCREENING**

All prospective volunteers should complete the volunteer application form. The Volunteer Coordinator or designee should conduct a face-to-face interview with an applicant under consideration.

A documented background investigation shall be completed on each volunteer applicant and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:

- (a) Traffic and criminal background check. Fingerprints shall be obtained from all applicants and processed through the Oregon State Police Clearinghouse Unit.
- (b) Employment.
- (c) References.

#### 386.2.4 SELECTION AND PLACEMENT

Service as a volunteer with the Department shall begin with an official notice of acceptance or appointment to a volunteer position. Notice may only be given by an authorized representative of the Department, who will normally be the Volunteer Coordinator. No volunteer should begin any assignment until they have been officially accepted for that position and completed all required screening and paperwork. At the time of final acceptance, each volunteer should complete all required enrollment paperwork and will receive a copy of their position description and agreement of service with the Department. All volunteers shall receive a copy of the volunteer handbook and shall be required to sign a volunteer agreement.

Volunteers should be placed only in assignments or programs that are consistent with their knowledge, skills, abilities and the needs of the Department.

#### 386.2.5 TRAINING

Volunteers will be provided with an orientation program to acquaint them with the Department, personnel, policies and procedures that have a direct impact on their work assignment.

Volunteers should receive position-specific training to ensure they have adequate knowledge and skills to complete tasks required by the position and should receive periodic ongoing training as deemed appropriate by their supervisor or the Volunteer Coordinator.

Training should reinforce to volunteers that they may not intentionally represent themselves as, or by omission infer that they are sworn officers or other full-time members of the Department. They shall always represent themselves as volunteers.

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All volunteers shall comply with the rules of conduct and with all orders and directives, either oral or written, issued by the Department.

#### 386.2.6 FITNESS FOR DUTY

No volunteer shall report to work or be on-duty when his/her judgment or physical condition has been impaired by alcohol, medication, other substances, illness or injury.

Volunteers shall report to their supervisor any changes in status that may affect their ability to fulfill their duties. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- (a) Driver's license
- (b) Medical condition
- (c) Arrests
- (d) Criminal investigations

All volunteers shall adhere to the guidelines set forth by this department regarding drug and alcohol use.

#### 386.2.7 DRESS CODE

As representatives of the Department, volunteers are responsible for presenting a professional image to the community. Volunteers shall dress appropriately for the conditions and performance of their duties.

Volunteers shall conform to department-approved dress consistent with their duty assignment. Uniforms authorized for volunteers should be readily distinguishable from those worn by sworn officers. The uniform or identifiable parts of the uniform shall not be worn while off-duty except volunteers may choose to wear the uniform while in transit to or from official department assignments or functions provided an outer garment is worn over the uniform shirt so as not to bring attention to the volunteer while he/she is off duty.

Volunteers shall be required to return any issued uniform or department property at the termination of service.

#### 386.3 SUPERVISION OF VOLUNTEERS

Each volunteer who is accepted to a position with the Department must have a clearly identified supervisor who is responsible for direct management of that volunteer. This supervisor will be responsible for day-to-day management and guidance of the work of the volunteer and should be available to the volunteer for consultation and assistance.

A volunteer may be assigned as and act as a supervisor of other volunteers provided that the supervising volunteer is under the direct supervision of a paid staff member.

Functional supervision of volunteers is the responsibility of the supervisor in charge of the unit where the volunteer is assigned. Following are some considerations to keep in mind while supervising volunteers:

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- (a) Take the time to introduce volunteers to employees on all levels.
- (b) Ensure volunteers have work space and necessary office supplies.
- (c) Make sure the work is challenging. Do not hesitate to give them an assignment or task that will tap these valuable resources.

#### 386.4 CONFIDENTIALITY

With appropriate security clearance, volunteers may have access to confidential information such as criminal histories or investigative files. Unless otherwise directed by a supervisor or departmental policy, all information shall be considered confidential. Only that information specifically identified and approved by authorized personnel shall be released. Confidential information shall be given only to persons who have a need and a right to know as determined by departmental policy and supervisory personnel.

Each volunteer will be required to sign a nondisclosure agreement before being given an assignment with the Department. Subsequent unauthorized disclosure of any confidential information, verbally, in writing or by any other means, by the volunteer is grounds for immediate dismissal and possible criminal prosecution.

Volunteers shall not address public gatherings, appear on radio or television, prepare any article for publication, act as correspondents to a newspaper or other periodical, release or divulge any information concerning the activities of the Department, or maintain that they represent the Department in such matters without permission from the proper department personnel.

#### 386.5 PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

Volunteers will be issued an identification card that must be worn at all times while on-duty.

Any fixed and portable equipment issued by the Department shall be for official and authorized use only. Any property or equipment issued to a volunteer shall remain the property of the Department and shall be returned at the termination of service.

#### 386.5.1 VEHICLE USE

Normally, Volunteers assigned to duties that require the use of a vehicle will operate their personally owned vehicle. Any volunteer operating any vehicle as part of a department assignment must first complete the following:

- (a) A driving safety briefing.
- (b) Verification that the volunteer possesses a valid Oregon Driver's License.
- (c) Verification that the volunteer carries current vehicle insurance.

The Volunteer Coordinator should insure that all volunteers receive safety briefing updates and license and insurance verification at least once a year.

When operating a Department vehicle, volunteers shall obey all rules of the road, including seat belt requirements. Smoking is prohibited in all Department vehicles.

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Volunteers should not operate a marked patrol car unless there is a prominently placed sign indicating that it is out of service and volunteers are not authorized to operate a Department vehicle Code-3.

#### 386.5.2 RADIO AND MDT USAGE

Volunteers shall successfully complete the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) and radio procedures training prior to using the police radio or MDT and comply with all related provisions. The Volunteer Coordinator should ensure that radio and LEDS training is provided for volunteers whenever necessary.

#### 386.6 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES/TERMINATION

A volunteer may be removed from the volunteer program at the discretion of the Chief of Police or the Volunteer Coordinator. Volunteers shall have no property interests in their continued appointment. However, if a volunteer is removed for alleged misconduct, the volunteer will be afforded an opportunity solely to clear his/her name through a liberty interest hearing which shall be limited to a single appearance before the Chief of Police or authorized designee.

Volunteers may resign from volunteer service with the Department at any time. It is requested that volunteers who intend to resign provide advance notice of their departure and a reason for their decision.

#### 386.6.1 EXIT INTERVIEWS

Exit interviews, where possible, should be conducted with volunteers who are leaving their positions. The interview should ascertain why the volunteer is leaving the position and solicit the volunteer's suggestions on improving the position. When appropriate, the interview should also include a discussion on the possibility of involvement in some other capacity with the Department.

#### 386.7 EVALUATION

An evaluation of the overall volunteer program will be conducted on an annual basis by the Volunteer Coordinator. Regular evaluations should be conducted with volunteers to ensure the best use of human resources available, to ensure personnel problems can be identified and dealt with promptly and fairly, and to ensure optimum satisfaction on the part of volunteers.

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# **Police Facilities**

#### 387.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This Police Services Building and surrounding property is designed and maintained to provide a safe and efficient working environment for departmental employees, as well as a safe refuge for the public seeking emergency assistance. Parts of the facility are restricted access areas and not open to all employees or the public.

#### 387.2 FACILITY SECURITY

Sweet Home Police Department operates a secure facility. Access to the employee parking lot and the building is controlled through the use of an access control system or department issued keys. Personnel who have undergone a criminal justice employment background check will be issued access control cards and/or department keys. All others must be escorted.

#### 387.2.1 FACILITY ACCESS

All persons not assigned an access control card or department key must check in with dispatch prior to being authorized entry. This includes all vendors, contractors, members of other criminal justice agencies, other City personnel and visitors. Bona fide criminal justice employees will be allowed access into the secure facility without an escort. A list of contractors that have completed the criminal justice background will be maintained in Dispatch. Those persons, after checking in with Dispatch and receiving a visitor pass, will be allowed access without an escort.

Family members will be allowed access in the following areas without an escort: Kitchen/Break Room, Restrooms, Training Room, individual offices. Children must be supervised at all times.

On a case by case basis, individuals may be issued a visitor pass and therefore not need to be escorted. A list of contractors that have completed the criminal justice background will be maintained in dispatch. Those persons will check in with dispatch, receive a visitor pass and receive access without needing to be escorted.

#### 387.2.2 DISPATCH CENTER

There are to be no unauthorized persons in the Dispatch Area. Only LEDS certified and sworn Employee's are allowed in the dispatch center.

All employees will be responsible for their own guests and will keep them out of the Dispatch area, except for brief periods. (example, tours, etc).

Guests of the on duty dispatcher, except for those engaged in authorized observation periods. (Ride Alongs) must be brief. During the dispatcher's meal period he/she may have a guest up to 30 minutes. Non Sworn, Non LEDs Certified guests need to remain in the area between the end of the secondary dispatch console and the records entrance or the records room.

#### 387.2.3 AV CONTROL ROOM

The AV Control Room is an environmentally controlled area housing law enforcement computer servers and communications equipment for the Sweet Home Police Department as well as other

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criminal justice agencies. The room is independently heated and air conditioned and has a fire control system specifically designed for the type of equipment in operation.

Because of the sensitive nature of this equipment, no civilian personnel, except for pre-approved technical professionals are allowed unaccompanied access to this room

#### 387.2.4 TRAINING ROOM

The department Training Room serves three primary purposes and are listed in the order of their priority should a scheduling conflict occur.

- Emergency Operations Center
- Department Training Area
- Public Use Room

Emergency Operations Center: In the event of a local or national emergency this room is designed to allow communications and coordination of rescue, relief and recovery operations. Should the Chief or his/her designee open the EOC, all other use will be canceled.

Department Training: This room is equipped with AV equipment to help facilitate the training of law enforcement personnel. If the room has been previously scheduled for law enforcement training, the training shall not be preempted except in cases where the EOC is activated or by direction of the Chief or designee.

Public Use: This room will be available to local public service organizations that benefit the majority of the community and will be limited to occasional or short term use. The room will generally not be made available to businesses seeking to sell any product or service to attendees.

All scheduled use of this room shall be authorized by a supervisor and documented on the Facility Use Calendar. Public use must apply via the Communications Commander or Community Services Officer.

#### 387.2.5 EMPLOYEE LOCKER ROOMS

Because the Locker Rooms may temporarily contained unsecured weapons, members or the public are not generally allowed use.

#### **387.2.6 EVIDENCE**

The Secure Evidence Room is off limits to all personnel unless accompanied by the Evidence Custodian. The Access Control System can allow access to a combination of any two authorized supervisory personnel, should the Evidence Custodian by unavailable.

#### 387.3 FACILITY CLEANLINESS AND MAINTENANCE

It is the duty of each member of this department to keep the facility clean, safe and in good working order. All trash items should be picked up and disposed of. Any unsafe item or item needing maintenance, should be immediately brought to the attention of a supervisor.

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#### 387.3.1 BREAK ROOM

This room is provided for employee use, as well as for preparation of prisoner meals. Soiled dishes should be rinsed and stacked in the sink or loaded into the dishwasher. Spills and stains are to be cleaned up promptly. It is each user's obligation to clean up after themselves.

#### 387.3.2 LOCKER ROOMS

The locker rooms are designed for employees to keep their equipment and uniforms in the lockers and allow you to use the shower facilities as needed.

When an employee is on duty they may leave their locker unsecured as long as the doors are closed. The lockers can be set up to prevent the doors from locking each time that they are closed. If you wish to set up your locker so that it does not lock each time but can be easily changed so that it will lock, contact your supervisor for instructions. On duty employees may leave boots/ shoes on the floor area under the bench directly beneath their assigned locker.

When off duty, all property including shoes or boots, ballistics vests, etc are to be kept inside the lockers and not left on top of the lockers or on the floor under the bench. Each employee must secure his or her locker when they are leaving to go home at the end of their work shift.

If at any time there is a firearm left inside a locker that is unattended, the locker must be closed and locked.

Employee shower facilities are provided. After you have finished using the shower, employees are to remove any toiletry items that he/she has taken into the shower with them. Each employee is responsible for placing the dirty laundry into the laundry basket that is located in each locker room. Employees are also responsible for picking up after themselves and keeping their areas clean.

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# **Off-Duty Law Enforcement Actions**

#### 388.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The decision to become involved in a law enforcement action when off-duty can place an officer as well as others at great risk and must be done with careful consideration. This policy is intended to provide guidelines for officers of the Sweet Home Police Department with respect to taking law enforcement action while off-duty.

#### **388.2 POLICY**

Initiating law enforcement action while off-duty is generally discouraged. Officers should not attempt to initiate enforcement action when witnessing minor crimes, such as suspected intoxicated drivers, reckless driving or minor property crimes. Such incidents should be promptly reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

Officers are not expected to place themselves in unreasonable peril. However, any sworn member of this department who becomes aware of an incident or circumstance that he/she reasonably believes poses an imminent threat of serious bodily injury or death, or significant property damage may take reasonable action to minimize the threat.

When public safety or the prevention of major property damage requires immediate action, officers should first consider reporting and monitoring the activity and only take direct action as a last resort.

#### 388.3 FIREARMS

Officers of this department may carry firearms while off-duty in accordance with federal regulations and department policy. All firearms and ammunition must meet guidelines as described in the department Firearms Policy. When carrying firearms while off-duty officers shall also carry their department-issued badge and identification.

Officers should refrain from carrying firearms when the consumption of alcohol is likely or when the need to carry a firearm is outweighed by safety considerations. Firearms shall not be carried by any officer who has consumed an amount of an alcoholic beverage or taken any drugs that would tend to adversely affect the officer's senses or judgment.

#### 388.4 DECISION TO INTERVENE

There is no legal requirement for off-duty officers to take law enforcement action. However, should officers decide to intervene, they must evaluate whether the action is necessary or desirable, and should take into consideration the following:

- (a) The tactical disadvantage of being alone and the fact there may be multiple or hidden suspects.
- (b) The inability to communicate with responding units.
- (c) The lack of equipment, such as handcuffs, OC or baton.

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- (d) The lack of cover.
- (e) The potential for increased risk to bystanders if the off-duty officer were to intervene.
- (f) Unfamiliarity with the surroundings.
- (g) The potential for the off-duty officer to be misidentified by other peace officers or members of the public.

Officers should consider waiting for on-duty uniformed officers to arrive, and gather as much accurate intelligence as possible instead of immediately intervening.

#### 388.4.1 INTERVENTION PROCEDURE

If involvement is reasonably necessary the officer should attempt to call or have someone else call 9-1-1 to request immediate assistance. The operator should be informed that an off-duty officer is on-scene and should be provided a description of the officer if possible.

Whenever practicable, the officer should loudly and repeatedly identify him/herself as an Sweet Home Police Department officer until acknowledged. Official identification should also be displayed.

#### 388.4.2 INCIDENTS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

Officers should refrain from handling incidents of personal interest, (e.g., family or neighbor disputes) and should remain neutral. In such circumstances officers should call the responsible agency to handle the matter.

#### 388.4.3 CIVILIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

Civilian personnel should not become involved in any law enforcement actions while off-duty except to notify the local law enforcement authority and remain at the scene, if safe and practicable.

#### 388.4.4 OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

When encountering a non-uniformed officer in public, uniformed officers should wait for acknowledgement by the non-uniformed officer in case he/she needs to maintain an undercover capability.

#### 388.5 REPORTING

Any off-duty officer who engages in any law enforcement activity, regardless of jurisdiction, shall notify the Patrol Sergeant as soon as practicable. The Patrol Sergeant shall determine whether a report should be filed by the employee.

Officers should cooperate fully with the agency having jurisdiction in providing statements or reports as requested or as appropriate.

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# **Chaplains**

#### 389.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes the guidelines for Sweet Home Police Department chaplains to provide counseling or emotional support to members of the Department, their families and members of the public.

#### **389.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department shall ensure that department chaplains are properly appointed, trained and supervised to carry out their responsibilities without financial compensation.

#### 389.3 ELIGIBILITY

Requirements for participation as a chaplain for the Department may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Being above reproach, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, be free from addiction to alcohol or other drugs, and excessive debt.
- (b) Managing their households, families and personal affairs well.
- (c) Having a good reputation in the community.
- (d) Successful completion of an appropriate-level background investigation.
- (e) A minimum of five years of successful counseling experience.
- (f) Possession of a valid driver license.

The Chief of Police may apply exceptions for eligibility based on organizational needs and the qualifications of the individual.

#### 389.4 RECRUITMENT, SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT

The Sweet Home Police Department shall endeavor to recruit and appoint only those applicants who meet the high ethical, moral and professional standards set forth by this department.

All applicants shall be required to meet and pass the department appropriate background investigation before appointment.

#### 389.4.1 RECRUITMENT

Chaplains should be recruited on a continuous and ongoing basis consistent with department policy on equal opportunity and nondiscriminatory employment. A primary qualification for participation in the application process should be an interest in and an ability to assist the Department in serving the public. Chaplain candidates are encouraged to participate in ride-alongs with department members before and during the selection process.

#### 389.4.2 SELECTION AND APPOINTMENT

Chaplain candidates shall successfully complete the following process prior to appointment as a chaplain:

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- (a) Submit the appropriate written application.
- (b) Include a recommendation from employers or volunteer programs.
- (c) Interview with the Chief of Police and the chaplain coordinator.
- (d) Successfully complete an appropriate-level background investigation.
- (e) Complete an appropriate probationary period as designated by the Chief of Police.

Chaplains are volunteers and serve at the discretion of the Chief of Police. Chaplains shall have no property interest in continued appointment. However, if a chaplain is removed for alleged misconduct, the chaplain will be afforded an opportunity solely to clear his/her name through a liberty interest hearing, which shall be limited to a single appearance before the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

#### 389.5 IDENTIFICATION AND UNIFORMS

As representatives of the Department, chaplains are responsible for presenting a professional image to the community. Chaplains shall dress appropriately for the conditions and performance of their duties. Uniforms and necessary safety equipment will be provided for each chaplain. Identification symbols worn by chaplains shall be different and distinct from those worn by officers through the inclusion of "Chaplain" on the uniform and not reflect any religious affiliation.

Chaplains will be issued Sweet Home Police Department identification cards, which must be carried at all times while on-duty. The identification cards will be the standard Sweet Home Police Department identification cards, with the exception that "Chaplain" will be indicated on the cards. Chaplains shall be required to return any issued uniforms or department property at the termination of service.

Chaplains shall conform to all uniform regulations and appearance standards of this department.

#### 389.6 CHAPLAIN COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police shall delegate certain responsibilities to a chaplain coordinator. The coordinator shall be appointed by and directly responsible to the Chief of Police

The chaplain coordinator shall serve as the liaison between the chaplains and the Chief of Police. The function of the coordinator is to provide a central coordinating point for effective chaplain management within the Department, and to direct and assist efforts to jointly provide more productive chaplain services. Under the general direction of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee, chaplains shall report to the chaplain coordinator and/or the on-duty Patrol Sergeant...

The chaplain coordinator may appoint a senior chaplain or other designee to assist in the coordination of chaplains and their activities.

The responsibilities of the coordinator or the authorized designee include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Recruiting, selecting and training qualified chaplains.
- (b) Conducting chaplain meetings.
- (c) Establishing and maintaining a chaplain callout roster.

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- (d) Maintaining records for each chaplain.
- (e) Tracking and evaluating the contribution of chaplains.
- (f) Maintaining a record of chaplain schedules and work hours.
- (g) Completing and disseminating, as appropriate, all necessary paperwork and information.
- (h) Planning periodic recognition events.
- (i) Maintaining liaison with other agency chaplain coordinators.

An evaluation of the overall use of chaplains will be conducted on an annual basis by the coordinator.

#### 389.7 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Chaplains assist the Department, its members and the community, as needed. Assignments of chaplains will usually be to augment the Patrol Division. Chaplains may be assigned to other areas within the Department as needed. Chaplains should be placed only in assignments or programs that are consistent with their knowledge, skills, abilities and the needs of the Department.

All chaplains will be assigned to duties by the chaplain coordinator or the authorized designee.

Chaplains may not proselytize or attempt to recruit members of the Department or the public into a religious affiliation while representing themselves as chaplains with this department. If there is any question as to the receiving person's intent, chaplains should verify that the person is desirous of spiritual counseling or guidance before engaging in such discussion.

Chaplains may not accept gratuities for any service or any subsequent actions or followup contacts that were provided while functioning as a chaplain for the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 389.7.1 COMPLIANCE

Chaplains are volunteer members of this department, and except as otherwise specified within this policy, are required to comply with the Volunteer Program Policy and other applicable policies.

#### 389.7.2 OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

- (a) Generally, each chaplain will serve with Sweet Home Police Department personnel a minimum of eight hours per month.
- (b) Chaplains shall be permitted to ride with officers during any shift and observe Sweet Home Police Department operations, provided the Patrol Sergeant has been notified and has approved the activity.
- (c) Chaplains shall not be evaluators of members of the Department.
- (d) In responding to incidents, a chaplain shall never function as an officer.
- (e) When responding to in-progress calls for service, chaplains may be required to standby in a secure area until the situation has been deemed safe.

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- (f) Chaplains shall serve only within the jurisdiction of the Sweet Home Police Department unless otherwise authorized by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.
- (g) Each chaplain shall have access to current department member rosters, addresses, telephone numbers, duty assignments and other information that may assist in his/ her duties. Such information will be considered confidential and each chaplain will exercise appropriate security measures to prevent distribution of the data.

#### 389.7.3 ASSISTING DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

The responsibilities of a chaplain related to department members include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Assisting in making notification to families of members who have been seriously injured or killed and, after notification, responding to the hospital or home of the member.
- (b) Visiting sick or injured members in the hospital or at home.
- (c) Attending and participating, when requested, in funerals of active or retired members.
- (d) Serving as a resource for members when dealing with the public in incidents, such as accidental deaths, suicides, suicidal subjects, serious accidents, drug and alcohol abuse and other such situations that may arise.
- (e) Providing counseling and support for members and their families.
- (f) Being alert to the needs of members and their families.

#### 389.7.4 ASSISTING THE DEPARTMENT

The responsibilities of a chaplain related to this department include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Assisting members in the diffusion of a conflict or incident, when requested.
- (b) Responding to natural and accidental deaths, suicides and attempted suicides, family disturbances and any other incident that in the judgment of the Patrol Sergeant or supervisor aids in accomplishing the mission of the Department.
- (c) Responding to all major disasters, such as natural disasters, bombings and similar critical incidents.
- (d) Being on-call and, if possible, on-duty during major demonstrations or any public function that requires the presence of a large number of department members.
- (e) Attending department and academy graduations, ceremonies and social events and offering invocations and benedictions, as requested.
- (f) Participating in in-service training classes.
- (g) Willingness to train others to enhance the effectiveness of the Department.

#### 389.7.5 ASSISTING THE COMMUNITY

The duties of a chaplain related to the community include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Fostering familiarity with the role of law enforcement in the community.
- (b) Providing an additional link between the community, other chaplain coordinators and the Department.

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- (c) Providing liaison with various civic, business and religious organizations.
- (d) Promptly facilitating requests for representatives or leaders of various denominations.
- (e) Assisting the community in any other function as needed or requested.
- (f) Making referrals in cases where specialized attention is needed or in cases that are beyond the chaplain's ability to assist.

#### 389.7.6 CHAPLAIN MEETINGS

All chaplains are required to attend scheduled meetings. Any absences must be satisfactorily explained to the chaplain coordinator.

#### 389.8 PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS

No person who provides chaplain services to members of the Department may work or volunteer for the Sweet Home Police Department in any capacity other than that of chaplain.

Department chaplains shall be familiar with state evidentiary laws and rules pertaining to the limits of the clergy-penitent, psychotherapist-patient and other potentially applicable privileges and shall inform members when it appears reasonably likely that the member is discussing matters that are not subject to privileged communications. In such cases, the chaplain should consider referring the member to a non-department counseling resource.

No chaplain shall provide counsel to or receive confidential communications from any Sweet Home Police Department member concerning an incident personally witnessed by the chaplain or concerning an incident involving the chaplain.

#### 389.9 TRAINING

The Department will establish a minimum number of training hours and standards for department chaplains. The Department expects each of its Chaplains to possess the following minimums in both training and organizational relationships:

- (a) Membership in either International Conference of Police Chaplains (ICPC) or the Federation of Fire Chaplains (FFC).
- (b) "Basic" level of certification from either ICPC or FFC.
- (c) Certificates of attendance or accomplishment of the following courses:
  - (a) Critical Incident Stress Management "Individual" level.
  - (b) International Critical Incident Stress Foundation Line of Duty Death (or equivalent).
  - (c) International Critical Incident Stress Foundation Pastoral Crisis Intervention I.
  - (d) Incident Command System IS-100
  - (e) Incident Command System IS-700
- (d) License or Ordination from SHPD recognized and approved organization.
- (e) Death notifications.

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- (f) Symptoms of post-traumatic stress.
- (g) Ethics.
- (h) Substance Abuse recognition.
- (i) Sensitivity and Diversity training.

NOTE: Comparable training certificates may be considered in lieu of those listed. Each request for consideration will be reviewed on its own merit at the discretion of the Chief of Police or his/her designee.

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# Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation

#### 390.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy is intended to ensure the protection and security of ancient or historic grave sites, including notification of personnel responsible for cultural items, in compliance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) (25 USC § 3001 et seq.).

#### 390.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include (43 CFR 10.2):

**Funerary objects** - Objects that, as part of the death rite or ceremony of a Native American culture, are reasonably believed to have been placed intentionally at the time of death or later with or near individual human remains. Funerary objects are either associated funerary objects or unassociated funerary objects.

Associated funerary objects are any funerary objects related to removed human remains, where the location of the human remains is known. This includes objects that were made exclusively for burial purposes or to contain human remains, regardless of the physical location or existence of any related human remains.

Unassociated funerary objects are any other funerary objects that are identified by a preponderance of the evidence such as:

- Related to human remains but the remains were not removed, or the location of the remains is unknown.
- Related to specific individuals or families.
- Removed from specific burial sites with Native American cultural affiliation.
- Removed from an area where such burial sites are known to have existed, but the site no longer exists.

Native American human remains - Any physical part of the body of a Native American individual.

**Objects of cultural patrimony** - Objects having ongoing historical, traditional, or cultural importance that is central to the Native American group or culture itself and, therefore, cannot be appropriated or conveyed by any individual, including members of the Native American group or Native Hawaiian organization. Such objects must have been considered inalienable by the Native American group at the time the object was separated from the group.

**Sacred objects** - Specific ceremonial objects needed by traditional Native American religious leaders for the practice of traditional Native American religions.

#### **390.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that the protection of Native American human remains, funerary objects, associated funerary objects, unassociated funerary objects,

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sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony is the responsibility of all members. Such protection includes minimizing destruction, contamination, inadvertent disruption, or complicated custody transfer processes.

# 390.3 COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION AND REPATRIATION ACT

Upon discovery or arrival upon a scene where it reasonably appears that a Native American grave, human remains, funerary objects, associated funerary objects, unassociated funerary objects, sacred objects, or objects of cultural patrimony are exposed or otherwise unsecured, members shall secure the site in the same manner as a crime scene. All activity at the scene other than scene preservation activity must cease (43 CFR 10.5).

No photography or video recording may be permitted by the media or any group or individual who may wish to exhibit the remains.

Without delay, the appropriate agency or group shall be notified to respond and take control of the scene. These include the following (43 CFR 10.5):

- Federal land Appropriate agency at the U.S. Department of the Interior or U.S. Department of Agriculture
- State land/Private land Oregon State Police, State Historical Preservation Officer, appropriate Indian tribe, and the Commission on Indian Services (ORS 97.745)
- Tribal land Responsible Indian tribal official

#### 390.4 EVIDENCE AND PROPERTY

If the location has been investigated as a possible homicide scene prior to identification as a NAGPRA site, investigators shall work with other appropriate agencies and individuals to ensure the proper transfer and repatriation of any material collected. Members shall ensure that any remains or artifacts located at the site are expediently processed (43 CFR 10.7).

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# **Extreme Risk Protection Orders**

#### 391.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for petitioning for and serving extreme risk protection orders and accounting for the deadly weapons obtained pursuant to those orders.

#### 391.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include (ORS 166.525):

**Deadly weapon** - A firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, or any other instrument, article, or substance specifically designed for and presently capable of causing death or serious physical injury.

**Extreme risk protection order** - An order prohibiting a named person from having in his/her custody or control, owning, purchasing, possessing, receiving, or attempting to purchase or receive a deadly weapon.

#### **391.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home to petition for and serve extreme risk protection orders in compliance with state law, and to properly account for deadly weapons obtained by the Department pursuant to such orders.

#### 391.3 EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDERS

An officer who reasonably believes a person presents a risk in the near future, including an imminent risk of suicide or causing physical injury to another person, may request permission from his/her supervisor to petition the court for an extreme risk protection order. The petition must be supported by a written affidavit signed under oath or by a sworn oral statement (ORS 166.527).

#### **391.4 SERVICE**

The person shall be personally served with a copy of the extreme risk protection order and a hearing request form. The officer assigned to serve the order and hearing request form shall immediately deliver to the county sheriff a true copy of proof of service and a copy of the order (ORS 166.527).

The county sheriff is responsible for entering the order into the state's Law Enforcement Data Systems (LEDS) with a request that the order be entered in the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). Entry into LEDS constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order, which is enforceable throughout the state (ORS 166.527).

If service of the order cannot be completed within 10 days, the officer shall notify the petitioner at the address he/she provided. If the officer is the petitioner and service is not made, the order shall be held for future service and the officer should file notice with the court showing service was not completed (ORS 166.527).

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#### **391.5 SERVICE**

The person shall be personally served with a copy of the extreme risk protection order and a hearing request form (ORS 166.527).

Any served order shall be entered into the state's Law Enforcement Data Systems (LEDS) by this Department with a request that the order be entered in the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) when the order is served (ORS 166.527):

- (a) By a member of this Department.
- (b) By any law enforcement agency and this Department is provided a receipt of a copy of the order and notice of completion of service.
- (c) By a person and this Department is provided a copy of the proof of service.

Entry into LEDS constitutes notice to all law enforcement agencies of the existence of the order, which is enforceable throughout the state (ORS 166.527).

The Department shall provide the petitioner a copy of the proof of service for the extreme risk protection order (ORS 166.527).

If service of the order cannot be completed within 10 days, the officer shall notify the petitioner at the address he/she provided. If the officer is the petitioner and service is not made, the order shall be held for future service and the officer should file notice to the court showing service was not completed (ORS 166.527).

#### 391.5.1 SURRENDER OF DEADLY WEAPONS AND HANDGUN LICENSE

The officer serving an extreme risk protection order shall request that the person immediately surrender all deadly weapons in his/her custody, control, or possession along with any concealed handgun license issued to the person. The officer shall take custody of any weapons or license surrendered. If the person indicates an intention to surrender the weapons to a gun dealer or a third party, the officer shall request that the person identify that gun dealer or third party. Prior to taking any enforcement action, the officer should make a reasonable effort to follow up with the gun dealer or third party to determine if the deadly weapons were surrendered (ORS 166.537).

The officer serving an extreme risk protection order continued after a court hearing held under ORS 166.530, or a renewed extreme risk protection order, shall request that the person surrender all deadly weapons in his/her custody, control, or possession. The officer may conduct any search permitted by law for deadly weapons and shall take possession of all deadly weapons appearing to be in the custody, control, or possession of the person that are surrendered, in plain sight, or discovered pursuant to a lawful search (ORS 166.537).

A receipt identifying all surrendered items shall be prepared by the officer and a copy given to the person. The officer should ensure the original receipt is forwarded to the Records Clerk as soon as practicable (ORS 166.537).

All deadly weapons collected shall be handled and booked in accordance with the Property and Evidence Policy.

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#### 391.5.2 SEARCH WARRANTS

If a person who has been served with an extreme risk protection order refuses to surrender any deadly weapons, the officer should consider whether to seek a search warrant. If a search warrant is to be obtained, the preparation and service of the search warrant shall be done in accordance with the Warrant Service Policy.

#### 391.6 RECORDS CLERK RESPONSIBILITIES

The Records Clerk is responsible for ensuring that the original receipt of surrendered deadly weapons and concealed handgun license is filed with the court within 72 hours of service of an extreme risk protection order. A copy of the receipt shall also be properly maintained by the Department (ORS 166.537).

#### 391.7 RECORDS CLERK RESPONSIBILITIES

The Records Clerk is responsible for:

- (a) Ensuring that the original receipt of surrendered deadly weapons and concealed handgun license is filed with the court within 72 hours of service of an extreme risk protection order. A copy of the receipt shall also be properly maintained by the Department (ORS 166.537).
- (b) Ensuring orders have been properly entered into state and national databases as required by ORS 166.527.
- (c) Removing from LEDS an original order upon receipt of a termination order from the court and requesting that the order be removed from NCIC (ORS 166.533).

#### 391.8 COURT-ORDERED SURRENDER OF DEADLY WEAPONS

Authorized members should accept deadly weapons and a concealed handgun license from any person who is the subject of an extreme risk protection order. The member receiving any such items shall issue a receipt identifying all surrendered items, in addition to following other relevant Department procedures (ORS 166.537).

#### 391.9 RELEASE OF DEADLY WEAPONS

Any deadly weapon or concealed handgun license in Department custody pursuant to an extreme risk protection order will be released only as authorized by ORS 166.540 and applicable provisions of the Property and Evidence Policy.

#### 391.10 RENEWAL OF EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER

The Detective Unit supervisor is responsible for the review of any extreme risk protection order obtained by the Department to determine if renewal should be requested within the time prescribed by law (ORS 166.535).

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# **Patrol Function**

#### 400.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to define the functions of the patrol unit of the Department to ensure intra-department cooperation and information sharing.

#### 400.1.1 FUNCTION

Officers will generally patrol in clearly marked vehicles, patrol assigned jurisdictional areas of Sweet Home Police Department, respond to citizen calls for assistance, act as a deterrent to crime, enforce local ordinances as well as state laws, and respond to emergencies 24 hours per day seven days per week.

Patrol will generally provide the following services within the limits of available resources:

- (a) Patrol that is directed at the prevention of criminal acts, traffic violations and collisions, the maintenance of public order, and the discovery of hazardous situations or conditions
- (b) Crime prevention activities such as residential inspections, business inspections, community presentations, etc.
- (c) Calls for service, both routine and emergency in nature
- (d) Investigation of both criminal and non-criminal acts
- (e) The apprehension of criminal offenders
- (f) Community Oriented Policing and Problem Solving activities such as citizen assists and individual citizen contacts of a positive nature
- (g) The sharing of information between the Patrol and other divisions within the Department, as well as other outside governmental agencies
- (h) The application of resources to specific problems or situations within the community, which may be improved or resolved by Community Oriented Policing and problem solving strategies
- (i) Traffic direction and control

#### 400.1.2 TERRORISM

It is the goal of the Sweet Home Police Department to make every reasonable effort to accurately and appropriately gather and report any information that may relate to either foreign or domestic terrorism. Officers should advise a supervisor as soon as practicable of any activity believed to be terrorism related and should document such incidents with a written report. The supervisor should ensure that all terrorism related reports are forwarded to the Detective Unit and appropriate outside agencies in a timely manner.

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#### 400.2 PATROL INFORMATION SHARING PROCEDURES

The following guidelines are intended to develop and maintain intra-department cooperation and information flow between the various divisions of the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 400.2.1 CRIME REPORTS

A crime report may be completed by any patrol officer who receives criminal information. The report will be processed and forwarded to the appropriate division for retention or follow-up investigation.

#### 400.2.2 PATROL BRIEFINGS

Patrol supervisors are encouraged to share information as much as possible. All supervisors and/ or officers will be provided an opportunity to share information at the daily patrol [briefing]s as time permits.

#### 400.2.3 PASS DOWN LOG

Any briefing information that may be of use to other employees or oncoming shifts, will be documented in the Pass Down Log. This log is primarily for investigative and operational information sharing. If an item is of a critical nature it may also be sent via email to department recipients, however all emails are subject to public records disclosure, thus sensitive information should not be sent over the Internet.

All employees are required to review the Pass Down/ Shift Log at the beginning of their shift in addition to reviewing the call log.

### 400.2.4 BRIEFING BOARDS

A briefing board may be kept in the Officers Report Writing Room for display of suspect information, intelligence reports and photographs.

### 400.3 CROWDS, EVENTS AND GATHERINGS

Officers may encounter gatherings of people, including but not limited to, civil demonstrations, civic, social and business events, public displays, parades and sporting events. Officers should monitor such events as time permits in an effort to keep the peace and protect the safety and rights of those present. A patrol supervisor should be notified when it becomes reasonably foreseeable that such an event may require increased monitoring, contact or intervention.

Officers responding to an event or gathering that warrants law enforcement involvement should carefully balance the speech and association rights of those present with applicable public safety concerns before taking enforcement action. Officers are encouraged to contact organizers or responsible persons to seek voluntary compliance that may address relevant public safety/order concerns.

Officers should consider enforcement of applicable state and local laws, when the activity blocks the entrance or egress of a facility or location and when voluntary compliance with the law is not achieved.

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# **Bias-Based Policing**

#### **402.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

This policy provides guidance to department members that affirms the Sweet Home Police Department's commitment to policing that is fair and objective (ORS 131.920).

Nothing in this policy prohibits the use of specified characteristics in law enforcement activities designed to strengthen the department's relationship with its diverse communities (e.g., cultural and ethnicity awareness training, youth programs, community group outreach, partnerships).

See the Personnel Complaints Policy regarding acceptance of complaints alleging profiling and investigation of such complaints.

#### 402.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Bias-based policing or improper profiling** - An inappropriate reliance on actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin (including limited English proficiency), language, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, disability, or affiliation with any non-criminal group (protected characteristics) as the basis for providing differing law enforcement service or enforcement. This includes profiling as defined by ORS 131.915 and explicit and implicit biases (i.e., conscious and unconscious beliefs or attitudes toward certain groups).

#### **402.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to providing law enforcement services to the community with due regard for the racial, cultural or other differences of those served. It is the policy of this department to provide law enforcement services and to enforce the law equally, fairly, objectively and without discrimination toward any individual or group.

#### 402.3 BIAS-BASED POLICING PROHIBITED

Bias-based policing is strictly prohibited.

However, nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit an officer from considering protected characteristics in combination with credible, timely and distinct information connecting a person or people of a specific characteristic to a specific unlawful incident, or to specific unlawful incidents, specific criminal patterns or specific schemes.

#### 402.4 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Every member of this department shall perform his/her duties in a fair and objective manner and is responsible for promptly reporting any suspected or known instances of bias-based policing to a supervisor. Members should, when reasonable to do so, intervene to prevent any biased-based actions by another member.

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#### 402.4.1 REASON FOR CONTACT

Officers contacting a person shall be prepared to articulate sufficient reason for the contact, independent of the protected characteristics of the individual.

To the extent that written documentation would otherwise be completed (e.g., arrest report, Field Interview (FI) card), the involved officer should include those facts giving rise to the contact, as applicable.

Except for required data-collection forms or methods, nothing in this policy shall require any officer to document a contact that would not otherwise require reporting.

#### 402.4.2 REPORTING TRAFFIC STOPS

Each time an officer makes a traffic stop, the officer shall report (ORS 131.906)

The reason for the stop or other contact.

The officer's perception of the race, color or national origin of the individual involved in the contact.

The individual's gender.

The individual's age (minor or adult).

Whether a search was conducted in connection with the contact and, if so, what resulted from the search.

The disposition of the enforcement action, if any, resulting from the contact.

Additional data as recommended by the Law Enforcement Contacts Policy and Data Review Committee (LECC).

The Department will gather statistics that document the reason for officer initiated stops and searches. This process will be a code based system that tracks, reason for the stop (eg. Traffic Violation, Crime, BOLO, tec.), perceived race, action (cite, arrest, warning) whether a search was requested and what the results of that request and/or search were. Officers will be issued cards explaining the process and identifying the codes related to it.

Clearance codes are mandatory after clearing officer initiated stops and searches.

#### **402.5 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES**

Supervisors should monitor those individuals under their command for compliance with this policy and shall handle any alleged or observed violations in accordance with the Personnel Complaints Policy.

- (a) Supervisors should discuss any issues with the involved officer and their supervisor in a timely manner.
  - 1. Supervisors should document these discussions in the prescribed manner.
- (b) Supervisors should periodically review Mobile Audio/Video (MAV) recordings, bodyworn camera (BWC) media, Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) data, and any other available resource used to document contact between officers and the public to ensure compliance with this policy.

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- 1. Supervisors should document these periodic reviews.
- 2. Recordings or data that capture a potential instance of bias-based policing should be appropriately retained for administrative investigation purposes.
- (c) Supervisors shall initiate investigations of any actual or alleged violations of this policy.
- (d) Supervisors should take prompt and reasonable steps to address any retaliatory action taken against any member of this department who discloses information concerning bias-based policing.

#### **402.6 ADMINISTRATION**

The Patrol Division Commander should review the efforts of the Department to provide fair and objective policing and submit an annual report, including public concerns and complaints, to the Chief of Police. The annual report should not contain any identifying information about any specific complainant, citizen, or officers. It should be reviewed by the Chief of Police to identify any changes in training or operations that should be made to improve service.

Supervisors should review the annual report and discuss the results with those they are assigned to supervise.

#### 402.7 TRAINING

Training on fair and objective policing and review of this policy shall be conducted annually and include:

- (a) Explicit and implicit biases.
- (b) Avoiding improper profiling.

#### 402.7.1 ADDITIONAL STATE REQUIREMENTS

The Training Sergeant should ensure that officers receive training implemented by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training regarding procedures to facilitate the collection of officer-initiated traffic and pedestrian stop data (ORS 131.935).

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# **Crime and Disaster Scene Integrity**

#### 406.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance in handling a major crime or disaster.

#### 406.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to secure crime or disaster scenes so that evidence is preserved, and to identify and mitigate the dangers associated with a major crime or disaster scene for the safety of the community and those required to enter or work near the scene.

#### **406.3 SCENE RESPONSIBILITY**

The first officer at the scene of a crime or major incident is generally responsible for the immediate safety of the public and preservation of the scene. Officers shall also consider officer safety and the safety of those persons entering or exiting the area, including those rendering medical aid to any injured parties. Once an officer has assumed or been assigned to maintain the integrity and security of the crime or disaster scene, the officer shall maintain the crime or disaster scene until he/she is properly relieved by a supervisor or other designated person.

#### 406.4 FIRST RESPONDER CONSIDERATIONS

The following list generally describes the first responder's function at a crime or disaster scene. This list is not intended to be all-inclusive, is not necessarily in order and may be altered according to the demands of each situation:

- (a) Broadcast emergency information, including requests for additional assistance and resources.
- (b) Provide for the general safety of those within the immediate area by mitigating, reducing or eliminating threats or dangers.
- (c) Locate or identify suspects and determine whether dangerous suspects are still within the area.
- (d) Provide first aid to injured parties if it can be done safely.
- (e) Evacuate the location safely as required or appropriate.
- (f) Secure the inner perimeter.
- (g) Protect items of apparent evidentiary value.
- (h) Secure an outer perimeter.
- (i) Identify potential witnesses.
- (j) Start a chronological log noting critical times and personnel allowed access.

### 406.5 SEARCHES

Officers arriving at crime or disaster scenes are often faced with the immediate need to search for and render aid to victims, and to determine if suspects are present and continue to pose a threat. Once officers are satisfied that no additional suspects are present and/or there are no injured

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persons to be treated, those exigent circumstances will likely no longer exist. Officers should thereafter secure the scene and conduct no further search until additional or alternate authority for the search is obtained, such as consent or a search warrant.

#### 406.5.1 CONSENT

When possible, officers should seek written consent to search from authorized individuals. However, in the case of serious crimes or major investigations, it may be prudent to also obtain a search warrant. Consent as an additional authorization may be sought, even in cases where a search warrant has been granted.

#### 406.6 INVESTIGATION DIVISION COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Investigation Division Commander is responsible for:

- (a) Ensuring reasonable access to qualified personnel, equipment and supplies for processing crime scenes.
- (b) Establishing procedures for collecting, processing and preserving physical evidence in the field.
- (c) Establishing procedures for photographing, video-recording and other imaging used to collect and preserve evidence.
- (d) Establishing procedures for processing, developing, lifting and labeling fingerprints.
- (e) Establishing procedures for the safe collection, storage, transportation and submission of biological and other evidence for DNA testing and evaluation.

#### 406.7 EXECUTION OF HEALTH ORDERS

Any sworn member of this department is authorized to execute and enforce lawful orders of the local health officer issued for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease (ORS 433.156).

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# **Ride-Alongs**

#### 410.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Ride-Along Program provides an opportunity for citizens to experience the law enforcement function first hand. This policy provides the requirements, approval process, and hours of operation for the Ride-Along Program.

#### 410.1.1 ELIGIBILITY

The Sweet Home Police Department Ride-Along Program is offered to residents, students and those employed within the City. Every attempt will be made to accommodate interested persons however any applicant may be disqualified without cause.

The following factors may be considered in disqualifying an applicant and are not limited to:

- Being under the age of 15-years
- Prior criminal history
- Pending criminal action
- Pending lawsuit against the Department
- Denial by any supervisor

#### 410.1.2 AVAILABILITY

The Ride-Along Program is available on most days of the week, with certain exceptions established by the Patrol Supervisors. The Ride-Along times are generally limited to 4-hours in duration but exceptions may be made as approved by Patrol Sergeant, or Communications Commander.

#### 410.2 PROCEDURE TO REQUEST A RIDE-ALONG

Generally, ride-along requests will be scheduled by the Patrol Sergeant. The participant will complete a ride-along waiver form. Information requested will include a valid ID or Oregon driver's license, address, and telephone number. If the participant is under 18-years of age, a parent/guardian must be present to complete the Ride-Along Form.

The Patrol Sergeant will schedule a date, based on availability, at least one week after the date of application. If approved, a copy will be forwarded to the respective Patrol Sergeant as soon as possible for his/her scheduling considerations.

If the ride-along is denied after the request has been made, a representative of the Department will contact the applicant and advise him/her of the denial.

#### 410.2.1 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Once approved, civilian ride-alongs will be allowed to ride no more than once every six months. An exception would apply to the following: Cadets, Explorers, RSVP, Chaplains, Reserves, police applicants, and all others with approval of the Patrol Sergeant.

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An effort will be made to ensure that no more than one citizen will participate in a ride-along during any given time period. Normally, no more than one ride-along will be allowed in the officer's vehicle at a given time.

Ride-along requirements for police cadets are covered in the Police Cadet Program Policy.

#### 410.2.2 SUITABLE ATTIRE

Any person approved to ride along is required to be suitably dressed in collared shirt, blouse or jacket, slacks and shoes. Sandals, T-shirts, tank tops, shorts and ripped or torn blue jeans are not permitted. Hats and ball caps will not be worn in the police vehicle. The Patrol Sergeant or field supervisor may refuse a ride along to anyone not properly dressed.

#### 410.2.3 PEACE OFFICER RIDE-ALONGS

Off-duty members of this department or any other law enforcement agency will not be permitted to ride-along with on-duty officers without the express consent of the Patrol Sergeant. In the event that such a ride-along is permitted, the off-duty employee shall not be considered on-duty and shall not represent themselves as a peace officer or participate in any law enforcement activity except as emergency circumstances may require.

#### 410.2.4 RIDE-ALONG CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK

All Ride-along applicants are subject to a criminal history check. The criminal history check will include a local records check, and inquiries to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), Computerized Criminal History (CCH), and a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) records checks via the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) prior to their approval as a ride-along with a law enforcement officer (provided that the ride-along is not an employee of the Sweet Home Police Department). The printed inquiry responses will be attached to the request and forwarded to the on-duty Patrol Sergeant who will approve or disapprove the ride-along and schedule the appointment.

### 410.3 OFFICERS RESPONSIBILITY

The officer shall advise the dispatcher that a ride-along is present in the vehicle before going into service. Officers shall consider the safety of the ride-along at all times. Officers should use sound discretion when encountering a potentially dangerous situation, and if feasible, let the participant out of the vehicle in a well-lighted place of safety. The dispatcher will be advised of the situation and as soon as practical have another police unit respond to pick up the participant at that location. The ride-along may be continued or terminated at this time.

The Patrol Sergeant is responsible for maintaining and scheduling ride-alongs. Upon completion of the ride-along, the yellow form shall be returned to the Patrol Sergeant with any comments which may be offered by the officer.

#### 410.4 CONTROL OF RIDE-ALONG

The assigned employee shall maintain control over the ride-along at all times and instruct him/her in the conditions that necessarily limit their participation. These instructions should include:

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- (a) The ride-along will follow the directions of the officer
- (b) The ride-along will not become involved in any investigation, handling of evidence, discussions with victims or suspects, or handling any police equipment
- (c) The ride-along may terminate the ride at any time and the officer may return the observer to their home or to the station if the ride-along interferes with the performance of the officer's duties
- (d) Ride-alongs may be allowed to continue riding during the transportation and booking process provided this does not jeopardize their safety
- (e) Officers will not allow any ride-alongs to be present in any residences or situations that would jeopardize their safety or cause undue stress or embarrassment to a victim or any other citizen
- (f) Under no circumstance shall a civilian ride along be permitted to enter a private residence with an officer without the expressed consent of the resident or other authorized person

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# **Hazardous Material Response**

#### 412.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Hazardous materials present a potential harm to employees resulting from their exposure. The following is to be the policy of this department.

#### 412.1.1 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL DEFINED

A hazardous material is a substance which by its nature, containment and reactivity, has the capability of inflicting harm during exposure; characterized as being toxic, corrosive, flammable, reactive, an irritant or strong sensitizer and thereby posing a threat to health when improperly managed. See <u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 453.005(7) for a complete list.

#### 412.2 HAZARDOUS MATERIAL RESPONSE

Employees may encounter situations involving suspected hazardous materials, such as at the scene of a traffic accident, chemical spill, or fire. When employees come into contact with a suspected hazardous material, certain steps should be taken to protect themselves and citizens.

The following steps should be considered at any scene involving suspected hazardous materials:

- (a) Attempt to identify type of hazardous substance. (Identification can be determined by placard, driver's manifest or statements from person transporting).
- (b) Notify Fire Department.
- (c) Provide first-aid for injured parties if it can be done safely and without contamination.
- (d) Begin evacuation of immediate area and surrounding areas dependent on substance.

#### 412.2.1 HAZARDOUS AND UNKNOWN SUBSTANCES OR OBJECTS

Employees will treat all potential crisis-related suspicious circumstance calls in a calm and reassuring manner. The following general instructions will be given to anyone who believes they have been exposed to a biological or otherwise hazardous substance:

- (a) Instruct the caller to isolate all persons from the immediate area of the substance.
- (b) If the substance has been touched the person shall be instructed to wash well with soap and water.
- (c) If the substance is indoors have the caller turn off any ventilation devices such as a furnace or air conditioner.
- (d) Instruct the caller to meet the officer outside of the immediate area of the exposure so that the officer can interview and fully assess the severity of the situation.

Employees will not accept any suspicious item, substance or device into this facility. The complainant will be politely instructed to wait outside the building and an officer will immediately be dispatched to contact the complainant and assess the situation.

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Employees will treat all such calls in a prudent, yet calming manner. These calls will be treated, within reason and good judgment, as a priority. Officers shall wear protective gloves at a minimum. If the substance is potentially airborne, the officer will wear the protective mask and face shield found in the pathogen kit of the units.

Officers should investigate fully, all-possible explanations for the substance. I.e.: white powder outside of a construction site may be sheet rock dust, etc. The officer should feel free to contact a supervisor if unsure as to the proper course of action. If the officer cannot determine a harmless cause or identity for the substance then the Fire Department will be asked to respond and the officer shall secure the area. Upon arrival of the fire department, the officer shall consult with the fire department commander and a decision will be made as to calling out the Linn County Hazardous Materials Team. If the team is activated, the dispatcher will notify a patrol supervisor and the Chief.

### 412.3 REPORTING EXPOSURE(S)

Department personnel who believe that they have been exposed to a hazardous material shall immediately report the exposure to a supervisor. Each exposure shall be documented by the employee in an employee memorandum that shall be forwarded via chain of command. Should the affected employee be unable to document the exposure for any reason, it shall be the responsibility of the notified supervisor to complete the memorandum.

Injury or illness caused or believed to be caused from exposure to hazardous materials shall be reported the same as any other on-duty injury or illness in addition to a crime report or incident report.

#### 412.3.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY

When a supervisor has been informed that an employee has been exposed to a hazardous material, he/she shall ensure that immediate medical treatment is obtained and appropriate action is taken to lessen the exposure.

To ensure the safety of employees, safety equipment is available through supervisory personnel. Safety items not maintained by the Department will be obtained through the Fire Department.

The employee or employees supervisor if the employee is unable, will complete a Workers Compensation form if an injury is diagnosed <u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 656.265. If an injury is not apparent but exposure to a hazardous substance is possible, the employee will complete an incident report indicating the circumstances of the event and the potential of an exposure.

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# **Hostage and Barricade Incidents**

#### 414.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for situations where officers have legal cause to contact, detain or arrest a person, and the person refuses to submit to the lawful requests of the officers by remaining in a structure or vehicle and/or by taking a hostage.

The scope of this policy is not intended to address all variables that officers encounter during their initial response or when a hostage or barricade situation has developed. This policy does not require or purport to recommend specific strategies or tactics for resolution as each incident is a dynamic and rapidly evolving event.

#### 414.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Barricade situation** - An incident where a person maintains a position of cover or concealment and ignores or resists law enforcement personnel, and it is reasonable to believe the subject is armed with a dangerous or deadly weapon.

**Hostage situation** - An incident where it is reasonable to believe a person is unlawfully held by a hostage-taker as security so that specified terms or conditions will be met.

#### **414.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to address hostage and barricade situations with due regard for the preservation of life and balancing the risk of injury, while obtaining the safe release of hostages, apprehending offenders and securing available evidence.

#### 414.3 COMMUNICATION

When circumstances permit, initial responding officers should try to establish and maintain lines of communication with a barricaded person or hostage-taker. Officers should attempt to identify any additional subjects, inquire about victims and injuries, seek the release of hostages, gather intelligence information, identify time-sensitive demands or conditions and obtain the suspect's surrender.

When available, department-authorized negotiators should respond to the scene as soon as practicable and assume communication responsibilities. Negotiators are permitted to exercise flexibility in each situation based upon their training, the circumstances presented, suspect actions or demands and the available resources.

#### 414.3.1 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

A supervisor who has probable cause to believe that a hostage is being held may order a telephone company to cut, reroute or divert telephone lines to prevent a suspect from communicating with anyone other than officers or other designated individuals (ORS 165.549).

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#### 414.4 FIRST RESPONDER CONSIDERATIONS

First responding officers should promptly and carefully evaluate all available information to determine whether an incident involves, or may later develop into, a hostage or barricade situation.

The first responding officer should immediately request a supervisor's response as soon as it is determined that a hostage or barricade situation exists. The first responding officer shall assume the duties of the supervisor until relieved by a supervisor or a more qualified responder. The officer shall continually evaluate the situation, including the level of risk to officers, to the persons involved and to bystanders, and the resources currently available.

The handling officer should brief the arriving supervisor of the incident, including information about suspects and victims, the extent of any injuries, additional resources or equipment that may be needed, and current perimeters and evacuation areas.

#### 414.4.1 BARRICADE SITUATION

Unless circumstances require otherwise, officers handling a barricade situation should attempt to avoid a forceful confrontation in favor of stabilizing the incident by establishing and maintaining lines of communication while awaiting the arrival of specialized personnel and trained negotiators. During the interim the following options, while not all-inclusive or in any particular order, should be considered:

- (a) Ensure injured persons are evacuated from the immediate threat area if it is reasonably safe to do so. Request medical assistance.
- (b) Assign personnel to a contact team to control the subject should he/she attempt to exit the building, structure or vehicle, and attack, use deadly force, attempt to escape or surrender prior to additional resources arriving.
- (c) Request additional personnel, resources and equipment as needed (e.g., canine team, air support).
- (d) Provide responding emergency personnel with a safe arrival route to the location.
- (e) Evacuate non-injured persons in the immediate threat area if it is reasonably safe to do so.
- (f) Attempt or obtain a line of communication and gather as much information on the subject as possible, including weapons, other involved parties, additional hazards or injuries.
- (g) Establish an inner and outer perimeter as circumstances require and resources permit to prevent unauthorized access.
- (h) Evacuate bystanders, residents and businesses within the inner and then outer perimeter as appropriate. Check for injuries, the presence of other involved subjects, witnesses, evidence or additional information.
- (i) Determine the need for and notify the appropriate persons within and outside the Department, such as command officers and the Public Information Officer.

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- If necessary and available, establish a tactical or exclusive radio frequency for the incident.
- (k) Establish a command post.

#### 414.4.2 HOSTAGE SITUATION

Officers presented with a hostage situation should attempt to avoid a forceful confrontation in favor of controlling the incident in anticipation of the arrival of specialized personnel and trained hostage negotiators. However, it is understood that hostage situations are dynamic and can require that officers react quickly to developing or changing threats. The following options while not all-inclusive or in any particular order, should be considered:

- (a) Ensure injured persons are evacuated from the immediate threat area if it is reasonably safe to do so. Request medical assistance.
- (b) Assign personnel to a contact team to control the subject should he/she attempt to exit the building, structure or vehicle, and attack, use deadly force, attempt to escape or surrender prior to additional resources arriving.
- (c) Establish a rapid response team in the event it becomes necessary to rapidly enter a building, structure or vehicle, such as when the suspect is using deadly force against any hostages (see the Rapid Response and Deployment Policy).
- (d) Assist hostages or potential hostages to escape if it is reasonably safe to do so. Hostages should be kept separated if practicable pending further interview.
- (e) Request additional personnel, resources and equipment as needed (e.g., canine team, air support).
- (f) Provide responding emergency personnel with a safe arrival route to the location.
- (g) Evacuate non-injured persons in the immediate threat area if it is reasonably safe to do so.
- (h) Coordinate pursuit or surveillance vehicles and control of travel routes.
- (i) Attempt or obtain a line of communication and gather as much information about the suspect as possible, including any weapons, victims and their injuries, additional hazards, other involved parties and any other relevant intelligence information.
- (j) Establish an inner and outer perimeter as resources and circumstances permit to prevent unauthorized access.
- (k) Evacuate bystanders, residents and businesses within the inner and then outer perimeter as appropriate. Check for injuries, the presence of other involved subjects, witnesses, evidence or additional information.
- (I) Determine the need for and notify the appropriate persons within and outside the Department, such as command officers and the Public Information Officer.

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(m) If necessary and available, establish a tactical or exclusive radio frequency for the incident.

#### 414.5 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon being notified that a hostage or barricade situation exists, the supervisor should immediately respond to the scene, assess the risk level of the situation, establish a proper chain of command and assume the role of Incident Commander until properly relieved. This includes requesting a Crisis Response Unit (CRU) response if appropriate and apprising the CRU Commander of the circumstances. In addition, the following options, listed here in no particular order, should be considered:

- (a) Ensure injured persons are evacuated and treated by medical personnel.
- (b) Ensure the completion of necessary first responder responsibilities or assignments.
- (c) Request crisis negotiators, specialized units, additional personnel, resources or equipment as appropriate.
- (d) Establish a command post location as resources and circumstances permit.
- (e) Designate assistants who can help with intelligence information and documentation of the incident.
- (f) If it is practicable to do so, arrange for video documentation of the operation.
- (g) Consider contacting utility and communication providers when restricting such services (e.g., restricting electric power, gas, telephone service).
- (h) Ensure adequate law enforcement coverage for the remainder of the City during the incident. The supervisor should direct non-essential personnel away from the scene unless they have been summoned by the supervisor or Dispatch.
- (i) Identify a media staging area outside the outer perimeter and have the department Public Information Officer or a designated temporary media representative provide media access in accordance with the Media Relations Policy.
- (j) Identify the need for mutual aid and the transition or relief of personnel for incidents of extended duration.
- (k) Debrief personnel and review documentation as appropriate.

### 414.6 CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT RESPONSIBILITIES

It will be the Incident Commander's decision, with input from the CRU Commander, whether to deploy the CRU during a hostage or barricade situation. Once the Incident Commander authorizes deployment, the CRU Commander or the authorized designee will be responsible for the tactical portion of the operation. The Incident Commander shall continue supervision of the command post operation, outer perimeter security and evacuation, media access and support for the CRU. The Incident Commander and the CRU Commander or the authorized designee shall maintain communications at all times.

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Unless otherwise relieved by a supervisor or Incident Commander, the handling officer at the scene is responsible for completion and/or coordination of incident reports.

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# **Response to Bomb Calls**

#### 416.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

These guidelines have been prepared to assist officers in their initial response toincidents involving explosives, explosive devices, or explosion/bombing incidents. Under no circumstances should these guidelines be interpreted as compromising the safety of first responders or the public. When confronted with an incident involving explosives, safety shall always be the primary consideration.

#### 416.2 FOUND EXPLOSIVES/SUSPECT DEVICES

When handling an incident involving a suspected explosive device, the following guidelines should be followed:

- (a) No known or suspected explosive item should be considered safe regardless of its size or apparent packaging. The appropriate bomb squad or military explosive ordnance disposal team should be summoned for assistance.
- (b) A minimum perimeter of 300 feet should be established around the location of the device. An access point should be provided for support personnel.
- (c) As much information as is available should be promptly relayed to the Patrol Sergeant including:
  - 1. The stated threat.
  - 2. Exact comments.
  - 3. Time of discovery.
  - 4. Exact location of the device.
  - 5. Full description (e.g., size, shape, markings, construction) of the device.
- (d) The device should not be touched or moved except by qualified bomb squad personnel.
- (e) All equipment within 300 feet of the suspected device capable of producing radio frequency energy should be turned off. This includes two-way radios, wireless microphones, cell phones and other personal communication devices.
- (f) Consideration should be given to evacuating any buildings near the device.
- (g) A search of the area should be conducted for secondary devices or other objects that are either hazardous or foreign to the area and a perimeter should be established around any additional suspicious device found.

Explosive or military ordnance of any type should be handled only by the bomb squad or military ordnance disposal team.

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#### 416.3 EXPLOSION/BOMBING INCIDENTS

When an explosion has occurred, there are multitudes of considerations which may confront the responding officers. As in other catastrophic incidents, a rapid response may help to minimize injury to victims, contamination of the scene by gathering crowds or additional damage by resulting fires or unstable structures. Whether the explosion was the result of an accident or a criminal act, the responding officers should consider the following actions:

- Assess the scope of the incident, including the number of victims and extent of injuries.
- Assist with first aid (Fire Department has primary responsibility).
- Assist with evacuation of victims (Fire Department has primary responsibility).
- Identify and take appropriate actions to mitigate scene hazards such as collapsed structures, blood borne pathogens, hazardous materials and secondary explosive devices.
- Request additional resources as needed.
- Identify witnesses.
- Preserve evidence.

#### 416.3.1 NOTIFICATIONS

When an explosion has occurred, the following people shall be notified as soon as practicable if their assistance is needed:

- (a) Fire Department
- (b) Emergency Medical assistance
- (c) All Supervisors
- (d) Additional officers
- (e) Explosive Disposal Unit
- (f) Detectives

### 416.3.2 CROWD CONTROL

Only authorized personnel with a legitimate need shall be permitted access to the scene. Spectators and other unauthorized individuals shall be excluded to a safe distance as is reasonably practicable given the available resources and personnel. Officers should consider outside resources in establishing a secure perimeter. (eg; outside agencies, Public Works, Fire Department, etc)

#### 416.3.3 SCENE OF INCIDENT

As in any other crime scene, steps should immediately be taken to preserve the scene. The scene could extend over a long distance. Evidence may be imbedded in nearby structures or hanging in trees and bushes.

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#### 416.4 BOMB THREATS RECEIVED AT POLICE FACILITY

This procedure shall be followed should a bomb threat call be received through Police Dispatch.

#### 416.4.1 BOMB THREATS RECEIVED BY TELEPHONE

The following questions should be asked if a bomb threat call is received at the Police Department:

- When is the bomb going to explode?
- Where is the bomb?
- What kind of bomb is it?
- What does it look like?
- Why did you place the bomb?
- Who are you? (to avoid possible termination of the call this should be the last question asked)

Attempt to keep the caller on the line as long as possible and obtain expanded answers to these five basic questions.

During this time, document the following:

- Time of the call.
- Exact words of the person as accurately as possible.
- Estimated age and gender of the caller.
- Speech patterns and/or accents.
- Background noises.

If the incoming call is received at the police facility on a recorded line, steps shall be taken to ensure that the recording is preserved in accordance with current department evidence procedures.

#### 416.4.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

The employee handling the call shall ensure that the Patrol Sergeant is immediately advised and fully informed of the details. The Patrol Sergeant will then direct and assign officers as required for coordinating a general building search or evacuation as he/she deems appropriate.

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# **Civil Commitments**

#### 418.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for when officers may place an individual under protective custody for civil commitment (ORS 426.228).

#### **418.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to protect the public and individuals through legal and appropriate use of the civil commitment process.

#### 418.3 AUTHORITY

An officer may take a person into custody when the officer has probable cause to believe the person is dangerous to him/herself or to any other person and is in need of immediate care, custody or treatment for mental illness (ORS 426.228(1)).

An officer shall also take a person into custody at the direction of the community mental health program director when the director has probable cause to believe the person is imminently dangerous to him/herself or to another person. The director is mandated to prepare a report for the officer to deliver to the treating licensed independent practitioner (ORS 426.228(2)).

The officer shall transport the person in custody to the nearest facility approved by the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) or will transfer custody of the person to a mental health representative authorized under ORS 426.233(3).

If, upon delivery of the person to the facility, the licensed independent practitioner finds the person is not in need of emergency care or treatment for mental illness, the person is to be released from custody. The officer or the program director shall return the person to the place where he/she was taken into custody, unless the person declines that service.

### 418.3.1 VOLUNTARY EVALUATION

If an officer encounters an individual who may qualify for a civil commitment, he/she may inquire as to whether the person desires to voluntarily be evaluated at an appropriate facility. If the individual so desires, the officers should:

- (a) Transport the individual to an appropriate facility that is able to conduct the evaluation and admit the person pursuant to a civil commitment.
- (b) If at any point the individual changes his/her mind regarding voluntary evaluation, officers should proceed with the civil commitment, if appropriate.
- (c) Document the circumstances surrounding the individual's desire to pursue voluntary evaluation and/or admission.

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#### 418.3.2 EXTREMELY DANGEROUS PERSONS

An officer may take into custody an individual on conditional release from a state hospital pursuant to an order of revocation. The written order does not have to be in the possession of the officer, and may be confirmed through the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) (OAR 859-200-0310).

A person may be taken into custody if all of the following conditions apply (OAR 859-200-0305):

- (a) An officer has reasonable cause to believe the individual is an extremely dangerous person with a mental illness (as defined by OAR 859-200-0020)
- (b) The person presents a serious danger to others because of a mental disorder
- (c) The person is in need of immediate care, custody or treatment
- (d) The person has been civilly committed to the jurisdiction of the Psychiatric Security Review Board by a court

The officer shall transport the individual to a state hospital operated by the Oregon Health Authority (OAR 859-200-0310).

#### 418.4 CONSIDERATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Any officer handling a call involving an individual who may qualify for a civil commitment should consider, as time and circumstances reasonably permit:

- (a) Available information that might assist in determining the cause and nature of the individual's action or stated intentions (e.g., information from LEDS).
- (b) Community or neighborhood mediation services.
- (c) Conflict resolution and de-escalation techniques.
- (d) Available community or other resources available to assist in dealing with mental health issues.

While these steps are encouraged, nothing in this section is intended to dissuade officers from taking reasonable action to ensure the safety of the officers and others.

Civil commitments should be preferred over arrest for individuals with mental health issues, who are suspected of committing minor crimes or creating other public safety issues.

#### 418.4.1 FOREIGN NATIONALS

If an officer takes a person into custody for a civil commitment and reasonably suspects that the person is a foreign national, the officer shall inform the person of his/her right to communicate with an official from the consulate of the person's country (ORS 426.228(9)).

### 418.5 TRANSPORTATION

When transporting any individual for a civil commitment, the transporting officer should have Dispatch notify the receiving facility of the estimated time of arrival, the level of cooperation of the individual and whether any special medical care is needed.

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Officers may transport individuals in a patrol vehicle and shall secure them in accordance with the Handcuffing and Restraints Policy. Should the detainee require transport in a medical transport vehicle and the safety of any person, including the detainee, requires the presence of an officer during the transport, Patrol Sergeant approval is required before transport commences.

#### 418.5.1 CLEARANCE REQUIRED

If transportation to an appropriate facility will require more than one hour to accomplish, the transporting officer must obtain, if possible, medical clearance from a licensed independent practitioner who has examined the person within the last 24 hours who certifies that the person is in need of immediate care or treatment for mental illness and that travel will not be detrimental to the person's physical health (ORS 426.228(3)).

#### 418.6 TRANSFER TO APPROPRIATE FACILITY

Upon arrival at the facility, the officer will escort the individual into a treatment area designated by a facility staff member. If the individual is not seeking voluntary treatment, the officer should provide the staff member with the written application for a civil commitment and remain present to provide clarification of the grounds for detention, upon request.

Absent exigent circumstances, the transporting officer should not assist facility staff with the admission process, including restraint of the individual. However, if the individual is transported and delivered while restrained, the officer may assist with transferring the individual to facility restraints and will be available to assist during the admission process, if requested. Under normal circumstances, officers will not apply facility-ordered restraints.

#### 418.7 DOCUMENTATION

The officer should complete an application for emergency admission, provide it to the facility staff member assigned to the individual and retain a copy of the application for emergency admission for inclusion in the case report.

The officer should also provide a verbal summary to any evaluating staff member regarding the circumstances leading to the involuntary detention.

#### 418.7.1 REQUIREMENTS

Officers shall use OHA form MHD 426.228 or otherwise ensure that the report states (ORS 426.228):

- (a) The reason for custody.
- (b) The date, time and place the person was taken into custody.
- (c) The name and telephone number of the community mental health director.

#### 418.8 CRIMINAL OFFENSES

Officers investigating an individual who is suspected of committing a minor criminal offense and who is being taken for a civil commitment should resolve the criminal matter by issuing a citation, as appropriate.

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When an individual who may qualify for a civil commitment has committed a serious criminal offense that would normally result in an arrest and transfer to a jail facility, the officer should:

- (a) Arrest the individual when there is probable cause to do so.
- (b) Notify the appropriate supervisor of the facts supporting the arrest and the facts that would support the civil commitment.
- (c) Facilitate the individual's transfer to the jail facility.
- (d) Thoroughly document in the related reports the circumstances that indicate the individual may qualify for a civil commitment.

In the supervisor's judgment, the individual may instead be arrested or booked and transported to the appropriate mental health facility. The supervisor should consider the seriousness of the offense, the treatment options available, the ability of this department to regain custody of the individual, department resources (e.g., posting a guard) and other relevant factors in making this decision.

#### 418.9 FIREARMS AND OTHER WEAPONS

Whenever an individual is taken into custody for a civil commitment, the handling officers should seek to determine if the individual owns or has access to any firearm or other deadly weapon. Officers should consider whether it is appropriate and consistent with current search and seizure law under the circumstances to seize any such firearms or other dangerous weapons (e.g. safekeeping, evidence, consent).

Officers are cautioned that a search warrant may be needed before entering a residence or other place to search, unless lawful, warrantless entry has already been made (e.g., exigent circumstances, consent). A warrant may also be needed before searching for or seizing weapons.

The handling officers should further advise the individual of the procedure for the return of any firearm or other weapon that has been taken into custody.

#### **418.10 TRAINING**

This department will endeavor to provide department-approved training on interaction with mentally disabled persons, civil commitments and crisis intervention.

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# **Citation Releases**

#### 420.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide members of the Sweet Home Police Department with guidance on when to release adults who are suspected offenders on a citation for a criminal offense, rather than having the person held in custody for a court appearance or released on bail.

#### 420.2 RELEASE

A suspected offender may be released on issuance of a criminal citation if the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has committed a misdemeanor or has committed any felony that is subject to misdemeanor treatment under ORS 161.705 (reduction of certain felonies to misdemeanors) (ORS 133.055).

#### 420.2.1 CITATION RELEASES ON WARRANTS

If the offense is not excluded under ORS 133.055, the court may authorize an officer to issue and serve a criminal citation in lieu of arrest (ORS 133.110).

#### 420.3 PROHIBITIONS

The release of a suspected offender on a citation is not permitted when:

- (a) The officer has probable cause to believe that the person has been served a valid restraining order as described in ORS 133.310 (orders relating to stalking, elder and disability abuse, sexual abuse) and the person has violated the terms of the order (ORS 133.310).
- (b) The officer has probable cause to believe that the person has been charged with an offense under ORS 135.230 through ORS 135.290 (sexual offenses, domestic violence, methamphetamine crimes), and is presently released and has failed to comply with a no contact condition to the release agreement (ORS 133.310).
- (c) The person arrested is so intoxicated that he/she could be a danger to himself/herself or to others (release may occur as soon as this condition no longer exists).
  - Any officer encountering a person who is intoxicated or under the influence of controlled substances in a public place and who is incapacitated, whose health appears to be in immediate danger, or there is reasonable cause to believe the person is dangerous to him/herself or to any other person, shall transport the individual to the nearest appropriate treatment facility or sobering facility (ORS 430.399).

See the Domestic Violence Policy for release restrictions related to those investigations.

#### 420.4 CONSIDERATIONS

In determining whether to cite and release a person when discretion is permitted, officers should consider:

- (a) The type of offense committed.
- (b) The known criminal history of the suspected offender.

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- (c) The ability to identify the suspected offender with reasonable certainty.
- (d) Whether there is any record of the individual failing to appear in previous cases or other articulable indications that the individual may not appear in court for this offense.
- (e) The individual's ties to the area, such as residence, employment or family.
- (f) Whether there is reasonable likelihood that criminal conduct by the individual will continue.

### **420.5 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will consider its resources and its mission of protecting the community when exercising any discretion to release suspected offenders on a citation, when authorized to do so.

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# **Arrest or Detention of Foreign Nationals**

#### 422.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Article 36 of the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, sets forth certain rights of foreign nationals from member countries when arrested, detained or imprisoned by law enforcement officials in this country. This section provides direction to officers when considering a physical arrest or detention of a foreign national. All foreign service personnel shall be treated with respect and courtesy, regardless of the level of established immunity. As noted herein, the United States is a party to several bilateral agreements that obligate our authorities to notify the consulate upon the person's detention, regardless of whether the detained person(s) request that his or her consulate be notified. The list of specific countries that the United States is obligated to notify is listed on the US Department of State website.

#### 422.1.1 DEFINITIONS

**Foreign National -** Anyone who is not a citizen of the United States (U.S.). A person with dual-citizenship, U.S. and foreign, is <u>not</u> a foreign national.

**Immunity -** Refers to various protections and privileges extended to the employees of foreign governments who are present in the U.S. as official representatives of their home governments. These privileges are embodied in international law and are intended to ensure the efficient and effective performance of their official "missions" (i.e., embassies, consulates, etc.) in foreign countries. Proper respect for the immunity to which an individual is entitled is necessary to ensure that U.S. diplomatic relations are not jeopardized and to maintain reciprocal treatment of U.S. personnel abroad. Although immunity may preclude U.S. courts from exercising jurisdiction, it is not intended to excuse unlawful activity. It is the policy of the U.S. Department of State's Office of Foreign Missions (OFM) that illegal acts by Foreign Service personnel should always be pursued through proper channels. Additionally, the host country's right to protect its citizens supersedes immunity privileges. Peace officers may intervene to the extent necessary to prevent the endangerment of public safety or the commission of a serious crime, regardless of immunity claims.

#### 422.2 ARREST OR DETENTION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS

Officers should take appropriate enforcement action for all violations observed, regardless of claims of diplomatic or consular immunity received from violators. A person shall not, however, be subjected to in-custody arrest when diplomatic or consular immunity is claimed by the individual or suspected by the officer, and the officer has verified or reasonably suspects that the claim of immunity is valid.

#### **422.3 LEVELS OF IMMUNITY**

The specific degree of immunity afforded to foreign service personnel within the U.S. is directly related to their function and position in this country.

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#### 422.3.1 DIPLOMATIC AGENTS

Diplomatic agents (e.g., ambassadors and United Nations representatives) are afforded the highest levels of immunity. They are exempt from arrest or detention and are immune from all criminal (and most civil) prosecution by the host state. The family members of diplomatic agents enjoy these same immunities.

#### 422.3.2 CONSULAR OFFICERS

Consular officers are the ranking members of consular posts who perform various formal functions on behalf of their own governments. Typical titles include consul general, consul, and vice consul. These officials are immune from arrest or detention, except pursuant to a felony warrant. They are only immune from criminal and civil prosecution arising from official acts. Official acts immunity must be raised as an affirmative defense in the court jurisdiction, and its validity is determined by the court. Under this defense, the prohibited act itself must have been performed as an official function. It is not sufficient that the consular agent was on-duty or in an official capacity at the time of the violation. The family members of consular officers generally enjoy no immunity, however, any family member who enjoys a higher level of immunity is issued an identification card by Department of State (DOS) enumerating any privileges or immunities on the back of the card. Examples are consular officers and family members from Russia or China.

#### 422.3.3 HONORARY CONSULS

Honorary consuls are part-time employees of the country they represent and are either permanent residents of the U.S. or U.S. nationals (unlike career consular officers, who are foreign nationals on temporary assignment to the U.S.). Honorary consuls may be arrested and detained; limited immunity for official acts may be available as a subsequent defense. Family members have no immunity.

#### 422.4 IDENTIFICATION

All diplomatic and consular personnel who are entitled to immunity are registered with the Department of State and are issued distinctive identification cards by the Department of State Protocol Office. These cards are the best means of identifying Foreign Service personnel. They include a photograph, identifying information, and, on the reverse side, a brief description of the bearer's immunity status. Unfortunately, these identification cards are not always promptly issued by the Department of State. In addition to the Department of State identification card, Foreign Service personnel should also have a driver license issued by the Department of State Diplomatic Motor Vehicle Office (DMVO), which in most circumstances replaces the operator's license issued by the state.

#### 422.4.1 VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Vehicles that are owned by foreign missions or Foreign Service personnel and their dependents are registered with the Department of State OFM and display distinctive red, white, and blue license plates. Vehicles assigned to diplomatic or consular officers will generally have license plates labels with the words "diplomat" or "consul." Vehicles owned by honorary consuls are not issued OFM license plates; but may have Oregon license plates with an "honorary consul"

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label. Driver's identity or immunity status should not be presumed from the type of license plates displayed on the vehicle. The status of an OFM license plate should be run via the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS), designating "US" as the state, if the officer has reason to question the legitimate possession of the license plate.

#### **422.5 ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES**

The following procedures provide a guideline for handling enforcement of foreign nationals:

#### 422.5.1 CITABLE OFFENSES

An enforcement document shall be issued at the scene for all violations warranting such action, regardless of the violator's immunity status. The issuance of a citation is not considered an arrest or detention under current Department of State guidelines. Whenever the equivalent of a notice to appear is issued to an immunity claimant, the following additional procedures shall be followed by the arresting officer:

- (a) Identification documents are to be requested of the claimant
- (b) The title and country represented by the claimant are to be recorded on the back of the officer's copy of the Notice to Appear for later reference. Do not include on the face of the notice to appear
- (c) The violator shall be provided with the appropriate copy of the notice to appear

#### 422.5.2 IN-CUSTODY ARRESTS

Diplomatic agents and consular officers are immune from arrest or detention (unless they have no identification <u>and</u> the detention is to verify their diplomatic status). Proper identification of immunity claimants is imperative in potential in-custody situations. Claimants who are not entitled to immunity shall be placed in custody in accordance with the provisions outlined in <u>Policy Manual</u> § 422.6 of this policy.

A subject who is placed under arrest and claims diplomatic or consular immunity shall not be physically restrained before verification of the claim (unless restraint is necessary for the protection of the officer or others.)

A supervisor shall be promptly notified and should respond to the scene when possible.

Field verification of the claimant's identity is to be attempted as follows:

- (a) Identification cards issued by the Department of State, Protocol Office, are the only valid evidence of diplomatic or consular immunity. The following types of identification cards are issued: Diplomatic (blue bordered), Consular (red bordered), and Official (green bordered), The Department of State identification cards are 3-3/4 inch by 1-1/2 inch and contain a photograph of the bearer.
- (b) Initiate telephone verification with the Department of State. Newly arrived members of diplomatic or consular missions may not yet have official Department of State identity documents. Verify immunity by telephone with the Department of State any time an

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individual claims immunity and cannot present satisfactory identification, the officer has reason to doubt the claim of immunity, or there is a possibility of physical arrest. Law enforcement personnel should use the following numbers in order of preference:

| Office of Foreign Missions                      | Diplomatic Security Service                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| San Francisco, CA                               | 915 Second Avenue, Room                                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| (415) 744-2910, Ext 22 or 23                    | 3410   |  |  |  |  |  |
| (415) 744-2913 FAX                              | Seattle, WA 98174  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (0800-1700 PST)                                 | (206) 220-7721<br>(206) 220-7723 FAX                         |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Office of Foreign Missions                      | Department of State  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Diplomatic Motor Vehicle                        | Diplomatic Security Service                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Office  | Command Center Washington D.C. (202) 647-7277                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Washington D.C.                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (202) 895-3521 (Driver License Verification) or |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ,   | (202) 647-1512<br>(Available 24 hours)<br>(202) 647-0122 FAX |  |  |  |  |  |
| (202) 895-3532 (Registration Verification)      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (202) 895-3533 FAX                              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (0815-1700 EST)                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Members of diplomatic or consular missions also may have other forms of identification. These include identification cards issued by Office of Emergency Services, local law enforcement agencies, the foreign embassy, or consulate; driver licenses issued by Department of State; and, Department of State license indicia on the vehicle. All these items are only an indication that the bearer may have some form of immunity.

Subjects verified through the above procedures as being officials entitled to immunity (diplomatic agent, consular officers and consular staff and family members from countries with which the U.S. has special agreements) may not be arrested. The procedures below shall be followed. These procedures should also be used in the event immunity cannot be verified, but another form of identification indicates that immunity is probable.

If the release of the violator will not create an additional hazard, adequate information to properly identify the violator shall be obtained then the official shall be released. A supervisor's approval for the release shall be obtained whenever possible. The necessary release documents and/or a Certificate of Release form should only be issued under the proper conditions.

If the violator appears to have been driving while under the influence, field sobriety tests, including Preliminary Alcohol Screening (PAS) device tests and chemical tests should be offered and

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obtained whenever possible, however, these tests <u>cannot be compelled</u>. The subject shall not be permitted to drive. A supervisor's approval for release shall be obtained whenever possible and alternative transportation should be arranged.

All facts of the incident shall be documented in accordance with this policy in a Driving Under the Influence (DUI) Arrest-Investigation Report, Arrest-Investigation Report and/or any other relevant Report form. Notwithstanding the field release of the subject, prosecution is still appropriate and should be pursued by the command concerned. The Department of State will take appropriate sanctions against errant foreign service personnel, even where prosecution is not undertaken by the agency.

#### 422.6 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS

Persons involved in traffic collisions who possess a Department of State OFM Diplomatic Driver License, issued by the DMVO, shall have "D" coded in the license "class" box of the Traffic Collision Report. If subsequent prosecution of the claimant is anticipated, the claimant's title, country, and type of identification presented should be recorded for future reference. Issuance of a citation to, or arrest of, an immunity claimant at the accident scene should be handled in accordance with the procedures specified in <u>Policy Manual</u> § 422.5 of this chapter.

#### 422.6.1 VEHICLES

Vehicles, which are owned by subjects with full immunity, may not be searched, stored, or impounded without the owner's permission. (Such permission may be assumed if the vehicle has been stolen.) These vehicles may, however, be towed the necessary distance to remove them from obstructing traffic or creating any other hazard.

#### 422.6.2 REPORTS

A photocopy of each traffic collision report involving an identified diplomat and/or immunity claimant shall be forwarded to the office of the Chief of Police within 48 hours whether or not the claim is verified. The words "Immunity Claim" shall be marked on the photocopy, together with a notation of the claimant's title, country, and type of identification presented (if applicable). In addition to the report, a follow-up cover memorandum should be submitted if the violation was flagrant, if the claimant was uncooperative, or if there were any other unusual aspects of the enforcement contact that should be reported to the Department of State for further action. The Patrol Sergeant/Supervisor apprised of the incident/accident shall also send a copy of all documents and reports submitted by the investigating officer along with any supervisor's notes, materials and/or logs to the Chief of Police's office within 48 hours of the incident. The Chief of Police's office will check to ensure that notification of Department of State and all necessary follow-up occur.

#### 422.7 FOREIGN NATIONALS WHO DO NOT CLAIM IMMUNITY

Officers may only arrest foreign nationals not claiming diplomatic or consular immunity under the following circumstances:

(a) There is a valid warrant issued for the person's arrest

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- (b) There is probable cause to believe that the foreign national has violated a federal criminal law, a state law, or a local ordinance
- (c) Officers shall not arrest foreign nationals solely for alleged undocumented entry into the United States.

Because undocumented presence is strictly a federal civil violation, it is only enforceable by federal officers therefore officers of this department shall not arrest foreign nationals solely for undocumented presence. Officers shall not stop or detain persons solely for determining immigration status.

#### 422.7.1 ARREST PROCEDURE

Whenever an officer physically arrests or detains an individual for criminal investigation and the officer reasonably believes the person to be a foreign national, the officer shall inquire to determine the person's citizenship.

This procedure applies to detentions of more than two hours. An inquiry is not required if the individual is detained less than two hours for criminal investigation.

If the individual indicates that he/she is other than a U.S. citizen, the officer shall advise the individual that he/she has a right to have the nearest appropriate embassy or consulate notified of the arrest/detention (Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, Art. 36, (1969)).

If the individual requests such notification, the officer shall contact Dispatch as soon as practical and request the appropriate embassy/consulate be notified. Officers shall provide Dispatch with the following information concerning the individual:

- Country of citizenship
- Full name of individual, including paternal and maternal surname, if used
- Date of birth or age
- Current residence
- Time, date, place, location of incarceration/detention and the 24-hour telephone number of the place of detention if different from the Department itself

If the foreign national claims citizenship of one of the countries listed by the US Department of State as requiring mandatory consular notification, officers shall provide Dispatch with the information above as soon as practical whether or not the individual desires the embassy/consulate to be notified. This procedure is critical because of treaty obligations with the particular countries. The list of mandatory notification countries and jurisdictions can be found on the US Department of State website.

#### 422.7.2 DOCUMENTATION

Officers shall document on the face page and in the narrative of the appropriate Arrest-Investigation Report the date and time Dispatch was notified of the foreign national's arrest/detention and his/her claimed nationality.

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# **Rapid Response and Deployment**

#### 424.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Violence that is committed in schools, workplaces and other locations by individuals or a group of individuals who are determined to target and kill persons and to create mass casualties presents a difficult situation for law enforcement. The purpose of this policy is to identify guidelines and factors that will assist responding officers in situations that call for rapid response and deployment.

#### **424.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will endeavor to plan for rapid response to crisis situations, and to coordinate response planning with other emergency services as well as with those that are responsible for operating sites that may be the target of a critical incident.

Nothing in this policy shall preclude the use of reasonable force, deadly or otherwise, by members of the Department in protecting themselves or others from death or serious injury.

#### 424.3 CONSIDERATIONS

When dealing with a crisis situation members should:

- (a) Assess the immediate situation and take reasonable steps to maintain operative control of the incident.
- (b) Obtain, explore and analyze sources of intelligence and known information regarding the circumstances, location and suspect involved in the incident.
- (c) Attempt to attain a tactical advantage over the suspect by reducing, preventing or eliminating any known or perceived threat.
- (d) Attempt, if feasible and based upon the suspect's actions and danger to others, a negotiated surrender of the suspect and release of the hostages.

#### 424.4 FIRST RESPONSE

If there is a reasonable belief that acts or threats by a suspect are placing lives in imminent danger, first responding officers should consider reasonable options to reduce, prevent or eliminate the threat. Officers must decide, often under a multitude of difficult and rapidly evolving circumstances, whether to advance on the suspect, take other actions to deal with the threat or wait for additional resources.

If a suspect is actively engaged in the infliction of serious bodily harm or other life-threatening activity toward others, officers should take immediate action, if reasonably practicable, while requesting additional assistance.

Officers should remain aware of the possibility that an incident may be part of a coordinated multilocation attack that may require some capacity to respond to other incidents at other locations.

When deciding on a course of action officers should consider:

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- (a) Whether to advance on or engage a suspect who is still a possible or perceived threat to others. Any advance or engagement should be based on information known or received at the time.
- (b) Whether to wait for additional resources or personnel. This does not preclude an individual officer from taking immediate action.
- (c) Whether individuals who are under imminent threat can be moved or evacuated with reasonable safety.
- (d) Whether the suspect can be contained or denied access to victims.
- (e) Whether the officers have the ability to effectively communicate with other personnel or resources.
- (f) Whether planned tactics can be effectively deployed.
- (g) The availability of rifles, shotguns, shields, breaching tools, control devices and any other appropriate tools, and whether the deployment of these tools will provide tactical advantage.

In a case of a barricaded suspect with no hostages and no immediate threat to others, officers should consider summoning and waiting for additional assistance (special tactics and/or hostage negotiation team response).

#### 424.5 PLANNING

The Patrol Division Commander should coordinate critical incident planning. Planning efforts should consider:

- (a) Identification of likely critical incident target sites, such as schools, shopping centers, entertainment and sporting event venues.
- (b) Availability of building plans and venue schematics of likely critical incident target sites.
- (c) Communications interoperability with other law enforcement and emergency service agencies.
- (d) Training opportunities in critical incident target sites, including joint training with site occupants.
- (e) Evacuation routes in critical incident target sites.
- (f) Patrol first-response training.
- (g) Response coordination and resources of emergency medical and fire services.
- (h) Equipment needs.
- (i) Mutual aid agreements with other agencies.
- (j) Coordination with private security providers in critical incident target sites.

#### 424.6 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant should include rapid response to critical incidents in the training plan. This training should address:

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- (a) Orientation to likely critical incident target sites, such as schools, shopping centers, entertainment and sporting event venues.
- (b) Communications interoperability with other law enforcement and emergency service agencies.
- (c) Patrol first-response training, including patrol rifle, shotgun, breaching tool and control device training.
- (d) First aid, including gunshot trauma.
- (e) Reality-based scenario training (e.g., active shooter, disgruntled violent worker).

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# **Immigration Violations**

#### 428.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines to members of the Sweet Home Police Department relating to immigration and interacting with federal immigration officials.

#### **428.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that all members make personal and professional commitments to equal enforcement of the law and equal service to the public. Confidence in this commitment will increase the effectiveness of this department in protecting and serving the entire community and recognizing the dignity of all persons, regardless of their national origin or immigration status.

#### 428.3 VICTIMS AND WITNESSES

To encourage crime reporting and cooperation in the investigation of criminal activity, all individuals, regardless of their immigration status, must feel secure that contacting or being addressed by members of law enforcement will not automatically lead to immigration inquiry and/ or deportation. While it may be necessary to determine the identity of a victim or witness, members shall treat all individuals equally and not in any way that would violate the United States or Oregon constitutions.

#### 428.4 DETENTIONS

This department does not participate in routine immigration investigation and enforcement activities (ORS 181A.820).

An officer should not detain any individual, for any length of time, for a civil violation of federal immigration laws or a related civil warrant.

An officer who has a reasonable suspicion that an individual already lawfully contacted or detained has committed a criminal violation of federal immigration law may detain the person for a reasonable period of time in order to contact federal immigration officials to verify whether an immigration violation is a federal civil violation or a criminal violation. If the violation is a criminal violation, the officer may continue to detain the person for a reasonable period of time if requested by federal immigration officials (8 USC § 1357(g)(10)). No individual who is otherwise ready to be released should continue to be detained only because questions about the individual's status are unresolved.

If the officer has facts that establish probable cause to believe that a person already lawfully detained has committed a criminal immigration offense, he/she may continue the detention and may request a federal immigration official to respond to the location to take custody of the detained person (8 USC § 1357(g)(10)).

An officer is encouraged to forgo detentions made solely on the basis of a misdemeanor offense when time limitations, availability of personnel, issues of officer safety, communication capabilities, or the potential to obstruct a separate investigation outweigh the need for the detention.

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An officer may arrest any person who is the subject of an arrest warrant issued by a federal magistrate for a criminal violation of federal immigration laws (ORS 181A.820).

An officer should notify a supervisor as soon as practicable whenever an individual is being detained or arrested for a criminal immigration violation.

#### 428.4.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

When notified that an officer has detained an individual and established reasonable suspicion or probable cause to believe the person has violated a criminal immigration offense, the supervisor should determine whether it is appropriate to:

- (a) Transfer the person to federal authorities.
- (b) Lawfully arrest the person for a criminal offense or pursuant to a judicial warrant (see the Law Enforcement Authority Policy).

#### 428.4.2 IMMIGRATION INQUIRIES PROHIBITED

An officer shall not inquire into an individual's immigration status, citizenship status, or country of birth except where allowed by law (ORS 181A.823).

#### 428.4.3 INDIVIDUAL RIGHT NOTIFICATION

To ensure compliance with all treaty obligations, including consular notification and state and federal laws, an officer should ensure individuals who are detained receive an explanation in writing, with interpretation into another language if requested, of the following (ORS 181A.823):

- (a) The individual's right to refuse to disclose the individual's nationality, citizenship, or immigration status.
- (b) That the disclosure of the individual's nationality, citizenship, or immigration status may result in a civil or criminal immigration enforcement, including removal from the United States.

#### 428.5 ARREST NOTIFICATION TO IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT

Generally, an officer should not notify federal immigration officials when booking arrestees at a jail facility. Any required notification will be handled according to jail operation procedures. No individual who is otherwise ready to be released should continue to be detained solely for the purpose of notification.

#### 428.6 FEDERAL REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Requests by federal immigration officials for assistance from this department should be directed to a supervisor. The Department may provide available support services (unrelated to immigration enforcement), such as peacekeeping efforts (ORS 181A.826).

428.6.1 FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT REQUESTS AND DOCUMENTATION Any requests from federal immigration officials for assistance relating to immigration enforcement (other than a judicial subpoena) shall be declined and the communication or request shall be documented. The documentation shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police or the authorized

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designee. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should ensure the documentation is forwarded to the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (OCJC) as prescribed by the OCJC (ORS 181A.826).

#### 428.7 INFORMATION SHARING

No member of this department will prohibit, or in any way restrict, any other member from doing any of the following regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual (8 USC § 1373; ORS 181A.823):

- (a) Sending information to, or requesting or receiving such information from federal immigration officials
- (b) Maintaining such information in department records
- (c) Exchanging such information with any other federal, state, or local government entity Nothing in this policy restricts sharing information that is permissible under Oregon State Law.

#### 428.7.1 IMMIGRATION DETAINERS

No individual should be held based solely on a federal immigration detainer under 8 CFR 287.7 unless the person has been charged with a federal crime or the detainer is accompanied by a warrant, affidavit of probable cause, or removal order. Notification to the federal authority issuing the detainer should be made prior to the release.

#### 428.7.2 NON-DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN INFORMATION

Except as required by state or federal law, members should not disclose for the purpose of enforcement of federal immigration laws the following information about a person or his/her known relatives or associates, whether current or otherwise (ORS 180.805):

- (a) The person's address
- (b) The person's workplace or hours of work
- (c) The person's school or school hours
- (d) The person's contact information, including telephone number, email address, or social media account information
- (e) The identity of known associates or relatives of the person
- (f) The date, time, or location of a person's hearings, proceedings, or appointments with the Department that are not matters of public record

#### 428.8 U VISA AND T VISA NONIMMIGRANT STATUS

Under certain circumstances, federal law allows temporary immigration benefits, known as a U visa, to victims and witnesses of certain qualifying crimes (8 USC § 1101(a)(15)(U)).

Similar immigration protection, known as a T visa, is available for certain qualifying victims of human trafficking (8 USC § 1101(a)(15)(T)).

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Any request for assistance in applying for U visa or T visa status should be forwarded in a timely manner to the Detective Unit supervisor assigned to oversee the handling of any related case. The Detective Unit supervisor should:

- (a) Consult with the assigned investigator to determine the current status of any related case and whether further documentation is warranted.
- (b) Contact the appropriate prosecutor assigned to the case, if applicable, to ensure the certification or declaration has not already been completed and whether a certification or declaration is warranted.
- (c) Address the request and complete the certification or declaration, if appropriate, in a timely manner (ORS 147.620).
  - 1. The instructions for completing certification and declaration forms can be found on the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) website.
- (d) Ensure that any decision to complete, or not complete, a certification or declaration form is documented in the case file and forwarded to the appropriate prosecutor. Include a copy of any completed form in the case file.

#### 428.8.1 DENIAL OF CERTIFICATION

If certification is denied, the Detective Unit supervisor shall inform the petitioner in writing regarding the reason for the denial as provided in ORS 147.620. A copy of the notice shall be kept for a minimum of three years and in accordance with the established records retention schedule (ORS 147.620).

#### 428.8.2 TIME FRAME FOR COMPLETION

Except under circumstances where there is good cause for delay, the Detective Unit supervisor shall process the certification for the U visa or T visa within 90 days of the request, unless the victim is in federal immigration removal proceedings, in which case the certification shall be executed within 14 days after the request is received (ORS 147.620).

#### 428.9 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant should ensure officers receive training on this policy.

Training should include:

- (a) Identifying civil versus criminal immigration violations.
- (b) Factors that may be considered in determining whether a criminal immigration offense has been committed.

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# **Emergency Utility Service**

#### 430.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The City Public Works Department and other utility providers have personnel available to handle utility related emergency calls 24 hours per day. Calls for service during non-business hours are frequently directed to the Police Department. Requests for such service received by this department should be documented with an incident number and handled in the following manner.

#### 430.1.1 BROKEN WATER LINES

The City's responsibility ends at the water meter; any break or malfunction in the water system from the water meter to the citizen's residence or business is the customer's responsibility. Public Works can only turn off the valve at the meter.

If a break occurs on the City side of the meter, Public Works personnel should be called as soon as practical by Dispatch.

#### 430.1.2 POWER LINES

When a power line or other unknown utility line poses a hazard, an officer should be dispatched to protect against personal injury or property damage that might be caused by the lines. If a line is clearly recognizable as phone, cable TV, etc, then the proper utility company should be notified immediately to respond. If the line is a power line, the type cannot be determined or any other line may be in contact with a power line, the Power Company should be notified immediately.

Public Works should be promptly notified if barricades or extended traffic control is needed to protect the public.

#### 430.1.3 NATURAL GAS LEAKS

The Fire Department will be notified immediately of all suspected Natural Gas Leaks. Northwest Natural Gas should also be notified for an immediate response. An officer will be dispatched to assist in the event that evacuations are necessary.

Public Works should be promptly notified if barricades or extended traffic control is needed to protect the public.

### 430.1.4 RESERVOIRS, PUMPS, WELLS, ETC.

Public Works maintains the city reservoirs and public water equipment, as well as several underpass and other street drainage pumps. In the event of flooding or equipment malfunctions, Public Works personnel should be contacted as soon as possible.

#### 430.1.5 EMERGENCY NUMBERS

A current list of Public Works and other utility service emergency phone numbers is maintained by Dispatch.

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#### 430.2 TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE

The City of Sweet Home contracts with a private maintenance company to furnish maintenance for all traffic signals within the City, other than those maintained by the State of Oregon.

#### 430.2.1 TRAFFIC SIGNALS

All traffic signals within the City are maintained by the State of Oregon.

#### 430.2.2 STOP SIGNS

All stop signs within the City are maintained by Public Works.

### 430.2.3 OFFICER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Upon observing a malfunctioning traffic signal or damaged stop sign, the officer will advise the Dispatch of the location and problem. The dispatcher will make the necessary notification to the proper maintenance agency.

Officers have the responsibility to address any hazard caused by any malfunctioning signal or damaged stop sign. Including those stop signs which are missing. Officers shall contact a supervisor for direction to address this hazard.

#### 430.3 STREET LIGHTS

Upon observing an inoperable street light, the officer should advise the Dispatch of the location and power pole number. The dispatcher will email this information to Public Works at dvalloni@ci.sweet-home.or.us

#### 430.4 RAILROAD CROSSING AND SIGNALS

All problems with railroads, railroad crossings or signals within the City should be reported to Albany & Eastern Railroad Company.

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# **PATROL RIFLES**

#### 432.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In order to more effectively and accurately address the increasing level of fire power and body armor utilized by criminal suspects, the Sweet Home Police Department will make patrol rifles available to qualified patrol officers as an additional and more immediate tactical resource.

#### 432.2 PATROL RIFLE

#### 432.2.1 DEFINITION

A patrol rifle is an authorized weapon which is available to properly trained and qualified officers as a supplemental resource to their duty handgun or shotgun. No personally owned rifles may be carried for patrol duty unless pre-approved in writing by the Chief of Police and the Firearms Training Coordinator/Range Master. All patrol rifle operators authorized to carry a patrol rifle on duty must meet all Department standards in firearms training and firearms qualifications set forth by the Firearms Training Coordinator.

#### 432.3 SPECIFICATIONS

Only weapons and ammunition that meet agency authorized specifications, as approved by the Chief of Police, and issued by the Department or personally purchased may be used by officers in their law enforcement responsibilities. The authorized patrol rifle is the AR-15, 16 inch barrel, equipped with fixed iron sights or flip up iron sights with optics, built to military specifications by manufacturers such as Colt and Bushmaster.

### 432.3.1 RIFLE AMMUNITION

The only ammunition authorized for the patrol rifle is that which has been issued by the Department. This will consist of a quality factory load in .223 caliber.

### 432.4 RIFLE MAINTENANCE

- (a) Primary responsibility for maintenance of patrol rifles shall fall on the Firearms Training Coordinator/Range Master, who shall inspect and service each patrol rifle on an annual basis.
- (b) Each Patrol officer carrying a patrol rifle may be required to field strip and clean an assigned patrol rifle as needed.
- (c) Each patrol officer shall be responsible for promptly reporting any damage or malfunction of an assigned patrol rifle.
- (d) Any patrol rifle found to be unserviceable shall be removed from service. The rifle shall be clearly labeled as "out of service" and details regarding the the weapon's condition shall be included on the label.
- (e) Each patrol rifle shall be subject to inspection by a supervisor or the Firearms Training Coordinator/Range Master at any time.

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- (f) No modification shall be made to any patrol rifle without prior written authorization from the Firearms Training Coordinator/Range Master.
- (g) The Firearms Training Coordinator, or designee, is responsible for the repair of all Department rifles or any rifle damaged on duty.

#### 432.4.1 PERSONAL PURCHASE PATROL RIFLE REQUIREMENTS

- Rifles must be built by a reputable manufacturer and meet the following specifications.
- Caliber 5.56 NATO/.223 Remington
- 1/7, 1/8, or 1/9 barrel twist rates
- 16 inch barrel length
- Threaded muzzle with flash hider or compensator
- Mil-Spec bolt carrier assembly
- Manganese phosphate aluminum upper and lower receiver
- Fixed iron sights or flip up iron sights with optic
- Weapon mounted light
- Rifle sling; Single, 2 or 3 point sling; affixed sling mount(s)
- Spare magazine (carried on rifle via magazine coupler or other approved method)
- All accessories to the rifle must fall within existing policy and be built by a reputable manufacturer

#### Examples of manufacturers meeting these specifications are:

- Colt LE6920
- Smith and Wesson M&P Rifle
- Bushmaster M4A3 Type Patrolman's Rifle
- Armalite M15A2C
- DPMS AP4 Carbine with chrome lined barrel upgrade
- Rock River Arms CAR A4 with chrome lined barrel upgrade
- STAG Arms
- Anderson Manufacturing, AM-15

#### 432.5 TRAINING

Officers shall not carry or utilize the patrol rifle unless they have successfully completed departmental training. This training shall consist of an initial patrol rifle user's course and qualification score with a patrol rifle instructor. Officers shall thereafter be required to successfully complete scheduled in-service training and yearly qualification conducted by a patrol rifle instructor.

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Any officer who fails to qualify or who fails to successfully complete two or more department sanctioned training/qualification sessions within a calendar year will no longer be authorized to carry the patrol rifle without successfully retaking the initial patrol officer user's course and qualification.

Department owned patrol rifles will be provided for qualified officers to utilize. Qualified officers may personally purchase a patrol rifle and attend Department training to utilize their patrol rifle on duty.

#### 432.6 DEPLOYMENT OF THE PATROL RIFLE

Officers may deploy the patrol rifle in any circumstance where the officer can articulate a reasonable expectation that the rifle may be needed. Examples of some general guidelines for deploying the patrol rifle may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Situations where the officer reasonable anticipates an armed encounter.
- (b) When an officer is faced with a situation that may require the delivery of accurate and effective fire at long range.
- (c) Situations where an officer reasonably expects the need to meet or exceed a suspect's firepower.
- (d) When an officer reasonably believes that there may be a need to deliver fire on a barricaded suspect or a suspect with a hostage.
- (e) When an officer reasonably believes that a suspect may be wearing body armor.
- (f) When authorized or requested by a supervisor.
- (g) When needed to euthanize an animal.

#### 432.7 DISCHARGE OF THE PATROL RIFLE

The discharge of the patrol rifle shall be governed by the Department's Deadly Force Policy, <u>Policy</u> Manual 300.

#### 432.8 PATROL READY

Any qualified officer carrying a patrol rifle in the field shall maintain the weapon in a patrol ready condition until deployed. A rifle is considered in a patrol ready condition when it has been inspected by the officer, the fire selector switch is in the safe position, the chamber is empty and a fully loaded magazine is inserted into the magazine well.

### 432.9 RIFLE STORAGE

- (a) Patrol rifles will be locked in the rifle gun safe, personal locker, or armory safe with the magazine removed, chamber empty and safety on, anytime they are not carried on duty or utilized for firearms training.
- (b) When not deployed, in-service patrol rifles should be secured in the vehicle in a locked gun rack or locked in the trunk.

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# **Patrol Rifles**

#### 433.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

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#### 433.2 PATROL RIFLE

#### 433.2.1 DEFINITION

A patrol rifle is an authorized weapon which is owned by the Department and which is made available to properly trained and qualified officers as a supplemental resource to their duty handgun or shotgun. No personally owned rifles may be carried for patrol duty unless preapproved in writing by the Chief of Police and the department armorer.

#### 433.3 SPECIFICATIONS

Only weapons and ammunition that meet agency authorized specifications, approved by the Chief of Police, and issued by the Department may be used by officers in their law enforcement responsibilities. The authorized patrol rifle issued by the Department is the AR-15.

#### 433.3.1 RIFLE AMMUNITION

The only ammunition authorized for the patrol rifle is that which has been issued by the Department. This will consist of a quality factory load in a .223 caliber.

#### 433.4 RIFLE MAINTENANCE

- (a) Primary responsibility for maintenance of patrol rifles shall fall on the Rangemaster, who shall inspect and service each patrol rifle on a monthly basis.
- (b) Each patrol officer carrying a patrol rifle may be required to field strip and clean an assigned patrol rifle as needed.
- (c) Each patrol officer shall be responsible for promptly reporting any damage or malfunction of an assigned patrol rifle.
- (d) Any patrol rifle found to be unserviceable shall be removed from service. The rifle shall be clearly labeled as "out of service" and details regarding the weapon's condition shall be included on the label.
- (e) Each patrol rifle shall be subject to inspection by a supervisor or the Rangemaster at any time.
- (f) No modification shall be made to any patrol rifle without prior written authorization from the Rangemaster.

#### 433.5 TRAINING

Officers shall not carry or utilize the patrol rifle unless they have successfully completed departmental training. This training shall consist of an initial 24-hour patrol rifle user's course and qualification score with a certified patrol rifle instructor. Officers shall thereafter be required to successfully complete annual training and qualification conducted by a certified patrol rifle instructor.

Any officer who fails to qualify or who fails to successfully complete two or more department sanctioned training/qualification sessions within a calendar year will no longer be authorized to carry the patrol rifle without successfully retaking the initial patrol officer user's course and qualification.

#### 433.6 DEPLOYMENT OF THE PATROL RIFLE

Officers may deploy the patrol rifle in any circumstance where the officer can articulate a reasonable expectation that the rifle may be needed. Examples of some general guidelines for deploying the patrol rifle may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Situations where the officer reasonably anticipates an armed encounter.
- (b) When an officer is faced with a situation that may require the delivery of accurate and effective fire at long range.
- (c) Situations where an officer reasonably expects the need to meet or exceed a suspect's firepower.
- (d) When an officer reasonably believes that there may be a need to deliver fire on a barricaded suspect or a suspect with a hostage.
- (e) When an officer reasonably believes that a suspect may be wearing body armor.
- (f) When authorized or requested by a supervisor.
- (g) When needed to euthanize an animal.

#### 433.7 DISCHARGE OF THE PATROL RIFLE

The discharge of the patrol rifle shall be governed by the Department's Deadly Force Policy, <u>Policy</u> Manual § 300.

#### 433.8 PATROL READY

Any qualified officer carrying a patrol rifle in the field shall maintain the weapon in a patrol ready condition until deployed. A rifle is considered in a patrol ready condition when it has been inspected by the assigned officer, the fire selector switch is in the safe position, the chamber is empty and a magazine, loaded to within two rounds of capacity, is inserted into the magazine well.

A spare similarly loaded magazine will be carried with the rifle as a spare.

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(a) When not being deployed, patrol rifles will be stored in a locked vehicle gun mount or within another secure area of the police vehicle if it is not equipped with a mount.

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# **Aircraft Accidents**

#### 433.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide department members with guidelines for handling aircraft accidents.

This policy does not supersede, and is supplementary to, applicable portions of the Crime and Disaster Scene Integrity, Emergency Operations Plan and Hazardous Material Response policies.

#### 433.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Aircraft** - Any fixed wing aircraft, rotorcraft, balloon, blimp/dirigible or glider that is capable of carrying a person or any unmanned aerial vehicle other than those intended for non-commercial recreational use.

#### **433.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to provide an appropriate emergency response to aircraft accidents. This includes emergency medical care and scene management.

#### 433.3 ARRIVAL AT SCENE

Officers or other authorized members tasked with initial scene management should establish an inner and outer perimeter to:

- (a) Protect persons and property.
- (b) Prevent any disturbance or further damage to the wreckage or debris, except to preserve life or rescue the injured.
- (c) Preserve ground scars and marks made by the aircraft.
- (d) Manage the admission and access of public safety and medical personnel to the extent necessary to preserve life or to stabilize hazardous materials.
- (e) Maintain a record of persons who enter the accident site.
- (f) Consider implementation of an Incident Command System (ICS).

### 433.4 INJURIES AND CASUALTIES

Members should address emergency medical issues and provide care as a first priority.

Those tasked with the supervision of the scene should coordinate with the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) before the removal of bodies. If that is not possible, the scene supervisor should ensure documentation of what was disturbed, including switch/control positions and instrument/gauge readings.

#### 433.5 NOTIFICATIONS

When an aircraft accident is reported to this department, the responding supervisor shall ensure notification is or has been made to NTSB, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and when applicable, the appropriate branch of the military.

Supervisors shall ensure other notifications are made once an aircraft accident has been reported. The notifications will vary depending on the type of accident, extent of injuries or damage, and the type of aircraft involved. When an aircraft accident has occurred, it is generally necessary to notify the following:

- (a) Fire department
- (b) Appropriate airport tower
- (c) Emergency medical services (EMS)

#### 433.6 CONTROLLING ACCESS AND SCENE AUTHORITY

Prior to NTSB arrival, scene access should be limited to authorized personnel from the:

- (a) FAA.
- (b) Fire department, EMS or other assisting law enforcement agencies.
- (c) Medical Examiner.
- (d) Air Carrier/Operators investigative teams with NTSB approval.
- (e) Appropriate branch of the military, when applicable.
- (f) Other emergency services agencies (e.g., hazardous materials teams, biohazard decontamination teams, fuel recovery specialists, explosive ordnance disposal specialists).

The NTSB has primary responsibility for investigating accidents involving civil aircraft. In the case of a military aircraft accident, the appropriate branch of the military will have primary investigation responsibility.

After the NTSB or military representative arrives on-scene, the efforts of this department will shift to a support role for those agencies.

If NTSB or a military representative determines that an aircraft or accident does not qualify under its jurisdiction, the on-scene department supervisor should ensure the accident is still appropriately investigated and documented.

### 433.7 DANGEROUS MATERIALS

Members should be aware of potentially dangerous materials that might be present. These may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Fuel, chemicals, explosives, biological or radioactive materials and bombs or other ordnance.
- (b) Pressure vessels, compressed gas bottles, accumulators and tires.
- (c) Fluids, batteries, flares and igniters.

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(d) Evacuation chutes, ballistic parachute systems and composite materials.

### 433.8 DOCUMENTATION

All aircraft accidents occurring within the City of Sweet Home shall be documented. At a minimum the documentation should include the date, time and location of the incident; any witness statements, if taken; the names of SHPD members deployed to assist; other City resources that were utilized; and cross reference information to other investigating agencies. Suspected criminal activity should be documented on the appropriate crime report.

#### 433.8.1 WRECKAGE

When reasonably safe, members should:

- (a) Obtain the aircraft registration number (N number) and note the type of aircraft.
- (b) Attempt to ascertain the number of casualties.
- (c) Obtain photographs or video of the overall wreckage, including the cockpit and damage, starting at the initial point of impact, if possible, and any ground scars or marks made by the aircraft.
  - Military aircraft may contain classified equipment and therefore shall not be photographed unless authorized by a military commanding officer (18 USC § 795).
- (d) Secure, if requested by the lead authority, any electronic data or video recorders from the aircraft that became dislodged or cell phones or other recording devices that are part of the wreckage.
- (e) Acquire copies of any recordings from security cameras that may have captured the incident.

### 433.8.2 WITNESSES

Members tasked with contacting witnesses should obtain:

- (a) The location of the witness at the time of his/her observation relative to the accident site.
- (b) A detailed description of what was observed or heard.
- (c) Any photographs or recordings of the accident witnesses may be willing to voluntarily surrender.
- (d) The names of all persons reporting the accident, even if not yet interviewed.
- (e) Any audio recordings of reports to 9-1-1 regarding the accident and dispatch records.

### 433.9 MEDIA RELATIONS

The Public Information Officer (PIO) should coordinate a response to the media, including access issues, road closures, detours and any safety information that is pertinent to the surrounding community. Any release of information regarding details of the accident itself should be coordinated with the NTSB or other authority who may have assumed responsibility for the investigation.

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Depending on the type of aircraft, the airline or the military may be responsible for family notifications and the release of victims' names. The PIO should coordinate with other involved entities before the release of information.

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# **Field Training and Evaluation Program**

#### 435.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Field Training and Evaluation Program (FTEP) is intended to provide a standardized program to facilitate the officer's transition from any civilian pre-conceptions of law enforcement and the academic settings, to the actual performance of general law enforcement duties of the Sweet Home Police Department.

It is the policy of this department to assign all new police officers and dispatchers to a structured Field Training and Evaluation Program that complies with DPSST training requirements and that is designed to prepare the new officer or dispatcher to perform in patrol or dispatch assignments.

#### 435.2 FIELD TRAINING OFFICER SELECTION AND TRAINING

The Field Training Officer (FTO) is an experienced officer or dispatcher trained in the art of supervising, training and evaluating entry level and lateral police officers or dispatchers in the application of their previously acquired knowledge and skills.

#### 435.2.1 SELECTION PROCESS

FTO's will be selected based on the following requirements:

- (a) Desire to be an FTO
- (b) Minimum of two years of experience with this department
- (c) Demonstrated ability as a positive role model
- (d) Evaluation by supervisors and current FTO's
- (e) Possess a DPSST Basic Certificate

#### 435.2.2 TRAINING

An employee selected as a Field Training Officer shall successfully complete an approved Field Training Officer's Course prior to being assigned as an FTO.

### 435.3 FIELD TRAINING AND EVALUATION PROGRAM SUPERVISOR

The FTEP program will be administered by the supervisory team with day to day supervising provided by the assigned supervisor. The responsibilities of the FTEP supervisory team shall include the following:

- (a) Assignment of trainees to FTOs.
- (b) Conducting FTO meetings including supervisory staff and the Chief of Police near the end of each FTEP training stage.
- (c) Ensure FTO/Trainee performance evaluations are completed.
- (d) Maintain, update and issue the Field Training Manual to each trainee.
- (e) Monitor individual FTO performance.

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- (f) Monitor overall FTEP Program.
- (g) Maintain liaison with academy staff on recruit performance during the academy.
- (h) Develop ongoing training for FTOs.

#### 435.4 TRAINEE DEFINED

Any entry level or lateral police officer or dispatcher newly appointed to the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 435.5 REQUIRED TRAINING

Entry level officers shall be required to successfully complete the Field Training Program, consisting of a minimum of 16 weeks.

Entry level dispatchers shall be required to successfully complete the Field Training Program, consisting of a minimum of 8 weeks.

The training period for lateral officers may be modified depending on the trainee's demonstrated performance and level of experience, but shall consist of a minimum of 8 weeks.

The training period for lateral dispatchers may be modified depending on the trainee's demonstrated performance and level of experience, but shall consist of a minimum of 4 weeks.

To the extent practicable, both entry level and lateral officers and dispatchers should be assigned to a variety of Field Training Officers, shifts and geographical areas during their Field Training Program.

#### 435.5.1 FIELD TRAINING MANUAL

Each new officer or dispatcher will be issued a Field Training Manual at the beginning of his/her Primary Training Phase. This manual is an outline of the subject matter and/or skills necessary to properly function with the Sweet Home Police Department. The employee shall become knowledgeable of the subject matter as outlined. He/she shall also become proficient with those skills as set forth in the manual.

The Field Training Manual will specifically cover those policies, procedures, rules and regulations enacted by the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 435.6 EVALUATIONS

Evaluations are an important component of the training process and shall be completed as outlined below.

### 435.6.1 FIELD TRAINING OFFICER

The FTO will be responsible for the following:

- (a) Complete and submit a written evaluation on the performance of his/her assigned trainee to the FTO program supervisor on a daily basis.
- (b) Review the Daily Observation Report (DORs) with the trainee each day.

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- (c) Complete a detailed end-of-phase performance evaluation on his/her assigned trainee at the end of each phase of training.
- (d) Sign off all completed topics contained in the Field Training Manual, noting the method(s) of learning and evaluating the performance of his/her assigned trainee.

#### 435.6.2 IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR

The immediate supervisor shall review and approve the Daily Observation Reports.

### 435.6.3 FIELD TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR

The Chief of Police is the Field Training Administrator and will review and approve the Daily Observation Reports submitted by the FTO through his/her immediate supervisor.

#### 435.6.4 TRAINEE

At the completion of the Field Training Program and as a required prerequisite to being released from the program, the trainee shall submit a confidential performance evaluation memorandum on each of their FTO's and on the Field Training and Evaluation Program.

#### 435.7 DOCUMENTATION

All documentation of the Field Training and Evaluation Program will be retained in the officer's training files and will consist of the following:

- (a) Daily Observation Reports
- (b) End of phase evaluations
- (c) Supervisor's evaluation
- (d) The completed Field Training Manual

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# **Contacts and Temporary Detentions**

#### 439.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for temporarily detaining but not arresting persons in the field, conducting field interviews (FI) and pat-down searches, and the taking and disposition of photographs.

#### 439.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Consensual encounter** - When an officer contacts an individual but does not create a detention through words, actions, or other means. In other words, a reasonable individual would believe that his/her contact with the officer is voluntary.

**Field interview (FI)** - The brief detainment of an individual, whether on foot or in a vehicle, based on reasonable suspicion for the purposes of determining the individual's identity and resolving the officer's suspicions.

**Field photographs** - Posed photographs taken of a person during a contact, temporary detention, or arrest in the field. Undercover surveillance photographs of an individual and recordings captured by the normal operation of a Mobile/Audio Video (MAV) system, body-worn camera, or public safety camera when persons are not posed for the purpose of photographing are not considered field photographs.

**Frisk or pat-down search** - A type of search used by officers in the field to check an individual for dangerous weapons. It involves a thorough patting-down of clothing to locate any weapons or dangerous items that could pose a danger to the officer, the detainee, or others (ORS 131.625).

**Reasonable suspicion** - When, under the totality of the circumstances, an officer has articulable facts that criminal activity may be afoot and a particular person is connected with that possible criminal activity.

**Stop** - The brief detainment of an individual, whether on foot or in a vehicle, based on reasonable suspicion that the person has committed or is about to commit a crime (ORS 131.615).

**Temporary detention** - When an officer intentionally, through words, actions, or physical force, causes an individual to reasonably believe he/she is required to restrict his/her movement without an actual arrest. Temporary detentions also occur when an officer actually restrains a person's freedom of movement.

#### 439.2 FIELD INTERVIEWS

Based on observance of suspicious circumstances or upon information from investigation, an officer may initiate the stop of a person, and conduct an FI, when there is articulable, reasonable suspicion to do so. A person, however, shall not be detained longer than is reasonably necessary to resolve the officer's suspicion.

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Nothing in this policy is intended to discourage consensual contacts. Frequent casual contact with consenting individuals is encouraged by the Sweet Home Police Department to strengthen community involvement, community awareness, and problem identification.

#### 439.2.1 INITIATING A FIELD INTERVIEW

When initiating the stop, the officer should be able to point to specific facts which, when considered with the totality of the circumstances, reasonably warrant the stop. Such facts include but are not limited to an individual's:

- (a) Appearance or demeanor suggesting that he/she is part of a criminal enterprise or is engaged in a criminal act.
- (b) Actions suggesting that he/she is engaged in a criminal activity.
- (c) Presence in the area at an inappropriate hour of the day or night.
- (d) Presence in a particular area is suspicious.
- (e) Carrying of suspicious objects or items.
- (f) Excessive clothes for the climate or clothes bulging in a manner that suggests he/she is carrying a dangerous weapon.
- (g) Location in proximate time and place to an alleged crime.
- (h) Physical description or clothing worn that matches a suspect in a recent crime.
- (i) Prior criminal record or involvement in criminal activity as known by the officer.

#### 439.2.2 DOCUMENTATION OF FIELD INTERVIEWS BY DISPATCH

The dispatcher will enter all field interviews conducted on his/her shift into the field contact module.

#### 439.3 FRISK OR PAT-DOWN SEARCHES

A frisk or pat-down search of a stopped person may be conducted whenever an officer reasonably believes that the person may possess a dangerous or deadly weapon and presents a danger to the officer or other persons present (ORS 131.625). The purpose of this limited search is not to discover evidence of a crime, but to allow the officer to pursue the investigation without fear of violence. Circumstances that may establish justification for performing a pat-down search include but are not limited to the following:

- (a) The type of crime suspected, particularly in crimes of violence where the use or threat of weapons is involved.
- (b) Where more than one suspect must be handled by a single officer.
- (c) The hour of the day and the location or area where the stop takes place.
- (d) Prior knowledge of the suspect's use of force and/or propensity to carry weapons.
- (e) The actions and demeanor of the suspect.
- (f) Visual indications which suggest that the suspect is carrying a firearm or other dangerous weapon.

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Whenever practicable, a pat-down search should not be conducted by a lone officer. A cover officer should be positioned to ensure safety and should not be involved in the search.

#### 439.4 FIELD PHOTOGRAPHS

All available databases should be searched before photographing any field detainee. If a photograph is not located, or if an existing photograph no longer resembles the detainee, the officer shall carefully consider, among other things, the factors listed below.

#### 439.4.1 FIELD PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITH CONSENT

Field photographs may be taken when the subject being photographed knowingly and voluntarily gives consent. When taking a consensual photograph, the officer should have the individual read and sign the appropriate form accompanying the photograph.

### 439.4.2 FIELD PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN WITHOUT CONSENT

Field photographs may be taken without consent only if they are taken during a detention that is based on reasonable suspicion of criminal activity, and the photograph serves a legitimate law enforcement purpose related to the detention. The officer must be able to articulate facts that reasonably indicate that the subject was involved in or was about to become involved in criminal conduct. The subject should not be ordered to remove or lift any clothing for the purpose of taking a photograph.

If, prior to taking a photograph, the officer's reasonable suspicion of criminal activity has been dispelled, the detention must cease and the photograph should not be taken.

All field photographs and related reports shall be submitted to a supervisor and retained in compliance with this policy.

#### 439.4.3 DISPOSITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS

All detainee photographs must be adequately labeled and submitted to the Patrol Sergeant with either an associated FI card or other documentation explaining the nature of the contact. If an individual is photographed as a suspect in a particular crime, the photograph should be submitted as an evidence item in the related case, following standard evidence procedures

If a photograph is not associated with an investigation where a case number has been issued, the Patrol Sergeant should review it and forward the photograph to one of the following locations:

- (a) If the photo and associated FI or documentation is relevant to criminal organization/ enterprise enforcement, the Patrol Sergeant will forward the photograph and documents to the designated criminal intelligence system supervisor. The supervisor will ensure the photograph and supporting documents are retained as prescribed by the Criminal Organizations Policy.
- (b) Photographs that do not qualify for retention in a criminal intelligence system or temporary information file shall be forwarded to the Records Division.

When a photograph is taken in association with a particular case, the investigator may use such photograph in a photo lineup. Thereafter, the individual photograph should be retained as a part

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of the case file. All other photographs shall be retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

#### 439.4.4 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

While it is recognized that field photographs often become valuable investigative tools, supervisors should monitor such practices in view of the above listed considerations. This is not to imply that supervisor approval is required before each photograph is taken.

Access to, and use of, field photographs shall be strictly limited to law enforcement purposes.

#### **439.5 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department respects the right of the public to be free from unreasonable searches or seizures. Due to an unlimited variety of situations confronting the officer, the decision to temporarily detain a person and complete an FI, pat-down search, or field photograph shall be left to the officer based on the totality of the circumstances, officer safety considerations, and constitutional safeguards.

#### 439.6 WITNESS IDENTIFICATION AND INTERVIEWS

Because potential witnesses to an incident may become unavailable or the integrity of their statements compromised with the passage of time, officers should, when warranted by the seriousness of the case, take reasonable steps to promptly coordinate with an on-scene supervisor and/or criminal investigator to utilize available members for the following:

- (a) Identifying all persons present at the scene and in the immediate area.
  - 1. When feasible, a recorded statement should be obtained from those who claim not to have witnessed the incident but who were present at the time it occurred.
  - Any potential witness who is unwilling or unable to remain available for a formal interview should not be detained absent reasonable suspicion to detain or probable cause to arrest. Without detaining the individual for the sole purpose of identification, officers should attempt to identify the witness prior to his/her departure.
- (b) Witnesses who are willing to provide a formal interview should be asked to meet at a suitable location where criminal investigators may obtain a recorded statement. Such witnesses, if willing, may be transported by department members.
  - 1. A written, verbal, or recorded statement of consent should be obtained prior to transporting a witness. When the witness is a minor, consent should be obtained from the parent or guardian, if available, prior to transport.

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# **Criminal Organizations**

#### 441.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the Sweet Home Police Department appropriately utilizes criminal intelligence systems and temporary information files to support investigations of criminal organizations and enterprises.

#### 441.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Criminal intelligence system** - Any record system that receives, stores, exchanges or disseminates information that has been evaluated and determined to be relevant to the identification of a criminal organization or enterprise, its members or affiliates. This does not include temporary information files.

#### **441.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes that certain criminal activities, including but not limited to gang crimes and drug trafficking, often involve some degree of regular coordination and may involve a large number of participants over a broad geographical area.

It is the policy of this department to collect and share relevant information while respecting the privacy and legal rights of the public.

#### 441.3 CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS

No department member may create, submit to or obtain information from a criminal intelligence system unless the Chief of Police has approved the system for department use.

Any criminal intelligence system approved for department use should meet or exceed the standards of 28 CFR 23.20.

A designated supervisor will be responsible for maintaining each criminal intelligence system that has been approved for department use. The supervisor or the authorized designee should ensure the following:

- (a) Members using any such system are appropriately selected and trained.
- (b) Use of every criminal intelligence system is appropriately reviewed and audited.
- (c) Any system security issues are reasonably addressed.

#### 441.3.1 SYSTEM ENTRIES

It is the designated supervisor's responsibility to approve the entry of any information from a report, FI, photo or other relevant document into an authorized criminal intelligence system. If entries are made based upon information that is not on file with this department, such as open or public source documents or documents that are on file at another agency, the designated supervisor should ensure copies of those documents are retained by the Records Division. Any supporting documentation for an entry shall be retained by the Records Division in accordance with the

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established records retention schedule and for at least as long as the entry is maintained in the system.

The designated supervisor should ensure that any documents retained by the Records Division are appropriately marked as intelligence information. The Records Clerk may not purge such documents without the approval of the designated supervisor.

#### 441.4 TEMPORARY INFORMATION FILE

No member may create or keep files on individuals that are separate from the approved criminal intelligence system. However, members may maintain temporary information that is necessary to actively investigate whether a person or group qualifies for entry into the department-approved CIS only as provided in this section. Once information qualifies for inclusion, it should be submitted to the supervisor responsible for consideration of CIS entries.

#### 441.4.1 FILE CONTENTS

A temporary information file may only contain information and documents that, within one year, will have a reasonable likelihood to meet the criteria for entry into an authorized criminal intelligence system.

Information and documents contained in a temporary information file:

- (a) Must only be included upon documented authorization of the responsible department supervisor.
- (b) Should not be originals that would ordinarily be retained by the Records Division or Property and Evidence Section, but should be copies of, or references to, retained documents, such as copies of reports, field interview (FI) forms, Dispatch records or booking forms.
- (c) Shall not include opinions. No person, organization or enterprise shall be labeled as being involved in crime beyond what is already in the document or information.
- (d) May include information collected from publicly available sources or references to documents on file with another government agency. Attribution identifying the source should be retained with the information.

#### 441.4.2 FILE REVIEW AND PURGING

The contents of a temporary information file shall not be retained longer than one year. At the end of one year, the contents must be purged or entered in an authorized criminal intelligence system, as applicable.

The designated supervisor shall periodically review the temporary information files to verify that the contents meet the criteria for retention. Validation and purging of files is the responsibility of the supervisor.

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#### 441.5 INFORMATION RECOGNITION

Department members should document facts that suggest an individual, organization or enterprise is involved in criminal activity and should forward that information appropriately. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Gang indicia associated with a person or residence.
- (b) Information related to a drug-trafficking operation.
- (c) Vandalism indicating an animus for a particular group.
- (d) Information related to an illegal gambling operation.

Department supervisors who utilize an authorized criminal intelligence system should work with the Training Sergeant to train members to identify information that may be particularly relevant for inclusion.

#### 441.6 RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Department members shall comply with the rules of an authorized criminal intelligence system regarding inquiries and release of information.

Information from a temporary information file may only be furnished to department members and other law enforcement agencies on a need-to-know basis and consistent with the Records Maintenance and Release Policy.

When an inquiry is made by the parent or guardian of a juvenile as to whether that juvenile's name is in a temporary information file, such information should be provided by the supervisor responsible for the temporary information file, unless there is good cause to believe that the release of such information might jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation.

#### **441.7 CRIMINAL STREET GANGS**

The Detective Unit supervisor should ensure that there are an appropriate number of department members who can:

- (a) Testify as experts on matters related to criminal street gangs, and maintain an above average familiarity with criminal street gangs.
- (b) Coordinate with other agencies in the region regarding criminal street gang crimes and information.
- (c) Train other members to identify gang indicia and investigate criminal street gangrelated crimes.

#### 441.8 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant should provide training on best practices in the use of each authorized criminal intelligence system to those tasked with investigating criminal organizations and enterprises. Training should include:

(a) The protection of civil liberties.

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- (b) Participation in a multiagency criminal intelligence system.
- (c) Submission of information into a multiagency criminal intelligence system or the receipt of information from such a system, including any governing federal and state rules and statutes.
- (d) The type of information appropriate for entry into a criminal intelligence system or temporary information file.
- (e) The review and purging of temporary information files.

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# **Patrol Sergeants**

### 443.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Each patrol team must be directed by supervisors who are capable of making decisions and communicating in a manner consistent with departmental policies, procedures, practices, functions and objectives. To accomplish this goal, a Sergeant heads each team.

#### 443.2 DESIGNATION AS ACTING

When a Sergeant is unavailable for duty as patrol supervisor, in most instances the Chief of Police shall act as the immediate supervisor. This policy does not preclude designating officers with less seniority as an acting Patrol Sergeant when operational needs require or training permits.

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# **Mobile Audio Video**

#### 445.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department has equipped marked patrol cars with Mobile Audio Video (MAV) recording systems to provide records of events and assist officers in the performance of their duties. This policy provides guidance on the use of these systems.

#### 445.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Activate-** Any process that causes the MAV system to transmit or store video or audio data in an active mode.

**In-car camera system and Mobile Audio Video (MAV) system-** Synonymous terms which refer to any system that captures audio and video signals, that is capable of installation in a vehicle, and that includes at minimum, a camera, microphone, recorder and monitor.

**MAV** technician- Personnel certified or trained in the operational use and repair of MAVs, duplicating methods, storage and retrieval methods and procedures, and who have a working knowledge of video forensics and evidentiary procedures.

**Recorded media-** Audio-video signals recorded or digitally stored on a storage device or portable media.

#### 445.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to use mobile audio and video technology to more effectively fulfill the department's mission and to ensure these systems are used securely and efficiently.

#### 445.3 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Prior to going into service, each officer will properly equip him/herself to record audio and video in the field. At the end of the shift, each officer will follow the established procedures for providing to the Department any recordings or used media and any other related equipment. Each officer should have adequate recording media for the entire duty assignment. In the event an officer works at a remote location and reports in only periodically, additional recording media may be issued. Only Sweet Home Police Department identified and labeled media with tracking numbers is to be used.

At the start of each shift, officers should test the MAV system's operation in accordance with manufacturer specifications and department operating procedures and training.

System documentation is accomplished by the officer recording his/her name, serial number, badge or PIN number and the current date and time at the start and again at the end of each shift. If the system is malfunctioning, the officer shall take the vehicle out of service unless a supervisor requests the vehicle remain in service.

#### 445.4 ACTIVATION OF THE MAV

The MAV system is designed to turn on whenever the vehicle's emergency lights are activated. The system remains on until it is turned off manually. The audio portion is independently controlled and should be activated manually by the officer whenever appropriate. When audio is being recorded, the video will also record. Whenever the audio portion is activated, officers should, whenever possible, advise all persons present that they are being recorded (ORS 165.540).

#### 445.4.1 REQUIRED ACTIVATION OF MAV

This policy is not intended to describe every possible situation in which the MAV system may be used, although there are many situations where its use is appropriate. An officer may activate the system any time the officer believes it would be appropriate or valuable to document an incident.

In some circumstances it is not possible to capture images of the incident due to conditions or the location of the camera. However, the audio portion can be valuable evidence and is subject to the same activation requirements as the MAV. The MAV system should be activated in any of the following situations:

- (a) All field contacts involving actual or potential criminal conduct within video or audio range:
  - 1. Traffic stops (to include, but not limited to, traffic violations, stranded motorist assistance and all crime interdiction stops)
  - Priority responses
  - 3. Vehicle pursuits
  - 4. Suspicious vehicles
  - 5. Arrests
  - 6. Vehicle searches
  - Physical or verbal confrontations or use of force
  - 8. Pedestrian checks
  - 9. DUII investigations including field sobriety tests
  - 10. Consensual encounters
  - 11. Crimes in progress
  - 12. Responding to an in-progress call
- (b) All self-initiated activity in which an officer would normally notify Dispatch
- (c) Any call for service involving a crime where the recorder may aid in the apprehension and/or prosecution of a suspect:
  - 1. Domestic violence calls
  - 2. Disturbance of peace calls
  - 3. Offenses involving violence or weapons

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- (d) Any other contact that becomes adversarial after the initial contact, in a situation that would not otherwise require recording
- (e) Any other circumstance where the officer believes that a recording of an incident would be appropriate

#### 445.4.2 CESSATION OF RECORDING

Once activated, the MAV system should remain on until the incident has concluded. For purposes of this section, conclusion of an incident has occurred when all arrests have been made, arrestees have been transported and all witnesses and victims have been interviewed. Recording may cease if an officer is simply waiting for a tow truck or a family member to arrive, or in other similar situations.

#### 445.4.3 WHEN ACTIVATION IS NOT REQUIRED

Activation of the MAV system is not required when exchanging information with other officers or during breaks, lunch periods, when not in service or actively on patrol.

No member of this department may surreptitiously record a conversation of any other member of this department except with a court order or when lawfully authorized by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee for the purpose of conducting a criminal or administrative investigation.

#### 445.4.4 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisors should determine if vehicles with non-functioning MAV systems should be placed into service. If these vehicles are placed into service, the appropriate documentation should be made, including notification of Dispatch.

At reasonable intervals, supervisors should validate that:

- (a) Beginning and end-of-shift recording procedures are followed.
- (b) Logs reflect the proper chain of custody, including:
  - 1. The tracking number of the MAV system media.
  - 2. The date it was issued.
  - 3. The law enforcement operator or the vehicle to which it was issued.
  - 4. The date it was submitted.
  - 5. Law enforcement operators submitting the media.
  - 6. Holds for evidence indication and tagging as required.
- (c) The operation of MAV systems by new employees is assessed and reviewed no less than biweekly.

When an incident arises that requires the immediate retrieval of the recorded media (e.g., serious crime scenes, officer-involved shootings, department-involved collisions), a supervisor shall respond to the scene and ensure that the appropriate supervisor, MAV technician or crime scene investigator properly retrieves the recorded media. The media may need to be treated as

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evidence and should be handled in accordance with current evidence procedures for recorded media.

Supervisors may activate the MAV system remotely to monitor a developing situation, such as a chase, riot or an event that may threaten public safety, officer safety or both, when the purpose is to obtain tactical information to assist in managing the event. Supervisors shall not remotely activate the MAV system for the purpose of monitoring the conversations or actions of an officer.

#### 445.5 REVIEW OF MAV RECORDINGS

All recording media, recorded images and audio recordings are the property of the Department. Dissemination outside of the agency is strictly prohibited, except to the extent permitted or required by law.

To prevent damage to, or alteration of, the original recorded media, it shall not be copied, viewed or otherwise inserted into any device not approved by the department MAV technician or forensic media staff. When reasonably possible, a copy of the original media shall be used for viewing (unless otherwise directed by the courts) to preserve the original media.

Recordings may be reviewed in any of the following situations:

- (a) For use when preparing reports or statements
- (b) By a supervisor investigating a specific act of conduct
- (c) By a supervisor to assess performance
- (d) To assess proper functioning of MAV systems
- (e) By department investigators who are participating in an official investigation, such as a personnel complaint, administrative inquiry or a criminal investigation
- (f) By department personnel who request to review recordings
- (g) By an officer who is captured on or referenced in the video or audio data and reviews and uses such data for any purpose relating to his/her employment
- (h) By court personnel through proper process or with permission of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee
- (i) By the media through proper process or with permission of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee
- (j) To assess possible training value
- (k) Recordings may be shown for training purposes. If an involved officer objects to showing a recording, his/her objection will be submitted to the staff to determine if the training value outweighs the officer's objection

Members desiring to view any previously uploaded or archived MAV recording should submit a request in writing to the Patrol Sergeant. Approved requests should be forwarded to the MAV technician for processing.

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In no event shall any recording be used or shown for the purpose of ridiculing or embarrassing any member.

#### 445.6 DOCUMENTING MAV USE

If any incident is recorded with either the video or audio system, the existence of that recording shall be documented in the officer's report. If a citation is issued, the officer shall make a notation on the back of the records copy of the citation indicating that the incident was recorded.

### 445.7 RECORDING MEDIA STORAGE AND INTEGRITY

Once submitted for storage, all recording media will be labeled and stored in a designated secure area. All recording media that is not booked as evidence will be retained for a minimum of 180 days and disposed of in compliance with the established records retention schedule.

#### 445.7.1 COPIES OF ORIGINAL RECORDING MEDIA

Original recording media shall not be used for any purpose other than for initial review by a supervisor. Upon proper request, a copy of the original recording media will be made for use as authorized in this policy.

Original recording media may only be released in response to a court order or upon approval by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. In the event that an original recording is released to a court, a copy shall be made and placed in storage until the original is returned.

#### 445.7.2 MAV RECORDINGS AS EVIDENCE

Officers who reasonably believe that a MAV recording is likely to contain evidence relevant to a criminal offense or to a potential claim against the officer or against the Sweet Home Police Department should indicate this in an appropriate report. Officers should ensure relevant recordings are preserved.

#### 445.8 SYSTEM OPERATIONAL STANDARDS

- (a) MAV system vehicle installations should be based on officer safety requirements and the vehicle and device manufacturer's recommendations.
- (b) The MAV system should be configured to minimally record for 30 seconds prior to an event.
- (c) The MAV system may not be configured to record audio data occurring prior to activation.
- (d) Unless the transmitters being used are designed for synchronized use, only one transmitter, usually the primary initiating officer's transmitter, should be activated at a scene to minimize interference or noise from other MAV transmitters.
- (e) Officers using digital transmitters that are synchronized to their individual MAV shall activate both audio and video recordings when responding in a support capacity. This is to obtain additional perspectives of the incident scene.

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- (f) With the exception of law enforcement radios or other emergency equipment, other electronic devices should not be used inside MAV-equipped law enforcement vehicles to minimize the possibility of causing electronic or noise interference with the MAV system.
- (g) Officers shall not erase, alter, reuse, modify or tamper with MAV recordings. Only a supervisor, MAV technician or other authorized designee may erase and reissue previous recordings and may only do so pursuant to the provisions of this policy.
- (h) To prevent damage, original recordings shall not be viewed on any equipment other than the equipment issued or authorized by the MAV technician.

#### 445.9 MAV TECHNICIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

The MAV technician is responsible for:

- (a) Ordering, issuing, retrieving, storing, erasing and duplicating of all recorded media.
- (b) Collecting all completed media for oversight and verification of wireless downloaded media. Once collected, the MAV technician:
  - 1. Ensures it is stored in a secure location with authorized controlled access.
  - 2. Makes the appropriate entries in the chain of custody log.
- (c) Erasing of media:
  - 1. Pursuant to a court order.
  - 2. In accordance with established records retention policies, including reissuing all other media deemed to be of no evidentiary value.
- (d) Assigning all media an identification number prior to issuance to the field:
  - 1. Maintaining a record of issued media.
- (e) Ensuring that an adequate supply of recording media is available.
- (f) Managing the long-term storage of media that has been deemed to be of evidentiary value in accordance with the department evidence storage protocols and the records retention schedule.

### **445.10 TRAINING**

All members who are authorized to use the MAV system shall successfully complete an approved course of instruction prior to its use.

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# **Mobile Data Terminal Use**

### 447.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the proper access, use and application of the Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) system in order to ensure appropriate access to confidential records from local, state and national law enforcement databases, and to ensure effective electronic communications between department members and Dispatch.

#### **447.2 POLICY**

Sweet Home Police Department members using the MDT shall comply with all appropriate federal and state rules and regulations and shall use the MDT in a professional manner, in accordance with this policy.

### 447.3 PRIVACY EXPECTATION

Members forfeit any expectation of privacy with regard to messages accessed, transmitted, received or reviewed on any department technology system (see the Information Technology Use Policy for additional guidance).

### 447.4 RESTRICTED ACCESS AND USE

MDT use is subject to the Information Technology Use and Protected Information policies.

Members shall not access the MDT system if they have not received prior authorization and the required training. Members shall immediately report unauthorized access or use of the MDT by another member to their supervisors or Patrol Sergeants.

Use of the MDT system to access law enforcement databases or transmit messages is restricted to official activities, business-related tasks and communications that are directly related to the business, administration or practices of the Department. In the event that a member has questions about sending a particular message or accessing a particular database, the member should seek prior approval from his/her supervisor.

Sending derogatory, defamatory, obscene, disrespectful, sexually suggestive, harassing or any other inappropriate messages on the MDT system is prohibited and may result in discipline.

It is a violation of this policy to transmit a message or access a law enforcement database under another member's name or to use the password of another member to log in to the MDT system unless directed to do so by a supervisor. Members are required to log off the MDT or secure the MDT when it is unattended. This added security measure will minimize the potential for unauthorized access or misuse.

Any agency using a terminal to access the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS), whether directly or through another agency, is responsible for adhering to all applicable LEDS rules and policies and must ensure that unauthorized persons are not given access or allowed to view LEDS information.

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Use of the MDT by the vehicle operator should be limited to times when the vehicle is stopped. Information that is required for immediate enforcement, investigative, tactical or safety needs should be transmitted over the radio.

In no case shall an operator attempt to send or review lengthy messages while the vehicle is in motion.

#### 447.5 DOCUMENTATION OF ACTIVITY

Except as otherwise directed by the Patrol Sergeant or other department-established protocol, all calls for service assigned by a dispatcher should be communicated by voice over the police radio and electronically via the MDT unless security or confidentiality prevents such broadcasting.

MDT and voice transmissions are used to document the member's daily activity. To ensure accuracy:

- (a) All contacts or activity shall be documented at the time of the contact.
- (b) Whenever the activity or contact is initiated by voice, it should be documented by a dispatcher.
- (c) Whenever the activity or contact is not initiated by voice, the member shall document it via the MDT.

#### 447.5.1 STATUS CHANGES

All changes in status (e.g., arrival at scene, meal periods, in service) will be transmitted over the police radio or through the MDT system.

Members responding to in-progress calls should advise changes in status over the radio to assist other members responding to the same incident. Other changes in status can be made on the MDT when the vehicle is not in motion.

### 447.5.2 EMERGENCY ACTIVATION

If there is an emergency activation and the member does not respond to a request for confirmation of the need for emergency assistance or confirms the need, available resources will be sent to assist in locating the member. If the location is known, the nearest available officer should respond in accordance with the Officer Response to Calls Policy.

Members should ensure a field supervisor and the Patrol Sergeant are notified of the incident without delay.

Officers not responding to the emergency shall refrain from transmitting on the police radio until a no-further-assistance broadcast is made or if they are also handling an emergency.

### 447.6 EQUIPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

### 447.6.1 MALFUNCTIONING MDT

Whenever possible, members will not use vehicles with malfunctioning MDTs. Whenever members must drive a vehicle in which the MDT is not working, they shall notify Dispatch. It shall

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be the responsibility of the dispatcher to document all information that will then be transmitted verbally over the police radio.

### 447.6.2 BOMB CALLS

When investigating reports of possible bombs, members should not communicate on their MDTs when in the evacuation area of a suspected explosive device. Radio frequency emitted by the MDT could cause some devices to detonate.

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# **Medical Marijuana**

### 450.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide members of this department with guidelines for investigating the acquisition, possession, transportation, delivery, production, or use of marijuana under Oregon's medical marijuana laws (ORS 475C.770 et seq.).

This policy is not intended to address laws and regulations related to recreational use of marijuana.

#### 450.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Attending provider** - A health care provider as defined by ORS 475C.777 who has primary responsibility for the care and treatment of a person diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition.

**Cardholder** - Any patient or caregiver who has been issued a valid Registry Identification Card (RIC).

Caregiver (or designated primary caregiver) - An individual 18 years of age or older who has significant responsibility for managing the well-being of a person who has been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition and who is designated as the person responsible for managing the well-being of a person who has been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition on either that person's application for a RIC or in other written notification submitted to the Oregon Health Authority. Caregiver does not include a person's attending provider; however, it may include an organization or facility that provides hospice, palliative, or home health care services. The caregiver may assist the cardholder with any matter related to the medical use of marijuana (ORS 475C.777; ORS 475C.791; ORS 475C.786).

**Grower** - A person, joint venture, or cooperative that produces industrial hemp (ORS 571.269).

**Handler** - A person, joint venture, or cooperative that receives industrial hemp for processing into commodities, products, or agricultural hemp seed and any other activities identified by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) by rule (ORS 571.269).

**Medical use of marijuana** - The production, processing, possession, delivery, or administration of marijuana, or use of paraphernalia used to administer marijuana, to mitigate the symptoms or effects of a debilitating medical condition (ORS 475C.777).

**Patient** - A person who has been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition within the previous 12 months and been advised by the person's attending provider that the medical use of marijuana may mitigate the symptoms or effects of that debilitating medical condition (ORS 475C.889). This includes a person who has been issued a valid RIC for their medical condition (ORS 475C.783).

**Registry Identification Card (RIC)** - A document issued by the Oregon Health Authority under ORS 475C.783 that identifies a person authorized to engage in the medical use of marijuana and,

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if the person has a designated primary caregiver under ORS 475C.789, the person's designated primary caregiver (ORS 475C.777). The RIC may also identify a person applying to produce marijuana or designate another person to produce marijuana under ORS 475C.792.

**Statutory possession and grow site amounts** - Amounts authorized by ORS 475C.806 and ORS 475C.809.

**Usable marijuana** - The dried leaves and flowers of marijuana. Usable marijuana does not include the seeds, stalks, and roots of marijuana or waste material that is a by-product of producing marijuana (ORS 475C.777).

### 450.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to prioritize resources to avoid making arrests related to marijuana that the arresting officer reasonably believes would not be prosecuted by state or federal authorities.

Oregon medical marijuana laws are intended to protect patients and their doctors from criminal and civil penalties that may deter the use of small amounts of marijuana by those suffering from debilitating medical conditions (ORS 475C.770). However, Oregon's medical marijuana laws do not affect federal laws, and there is no medical exception under federal law for the possession or distribution of marijuana. The Sweet Home Police Department will exercise discretion to ensure laws are appropriately enforced without unreasonably burdening both those individuals protected under Oregon law and the resources of the Department.

### 450.3 INVESTIGATION

Investigations involving the possession, delivery, production, or use of marijuana generally fall into one of several categories:

- (a) Investigations when no person makes a medicinal claim.
- (b) Investigations related to patient cardholders.
- (c) Investigations related to patient non-cardholders.

#### 450.3.1 INVESTIGATIONS WITH NO MEDICINAL CLAIM

In any investigation involving the possession, delivery, production or use of marijuana or drug paraphernalia where no person claims that the marijuana is used for medicinal purposes, the officer should proceed with a criminal investigation. A medicinal defense may be raised at any time, so officers should document any statements and observations that may be relevant to whether the marijuana was possessed or produced for medicinal purposes.

#### 450.3.2 INVESTIGATIONS RELATED TO PATIENT CARDHOLDERS

Officers shall not take enforcement action against a cardholder for engaging in the medical use of marijuana with amounts at or below statutory possession amounts or statutory grow site amounts. Officers shall not take enforcement action against a caregiver for assisting a patient cardholder in the medical use of marijuana with amounts at or below statutory possession or grow site amounts (ORS 475C.883).

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Cardholders are required to carry their RIC when using or transporting marijuana, usable marijuana, medical cannabinoid products, cannabinoid concentrates, or cannabinoid extracts at a location other than the address on file with the Oregon Health Authority (ORS 475C.812). However, officers should treat a person without a RIC in their possession as if it were in their possession if the RIC can be verified through an Oregon State Police Law Enforcement Data Systems (LEDS) guery or other sources.

### 450.3.3 INVESTIGATIONS RELATED TO PATIENT NON-CARDHOLDERS

Officers should not take enforcement action against a patient who does not have a RIC for possession, delivery, or production of marijuana, or any other criminal offense in which possession, delivery, or production of marijuana is an element, if the patient meets all of the following (ORS 475C.889):

- (a) Is engaged in the medical use of marijuana
- (b) Possesses, delivers, or manufactures a quantity at or below statutory possession quantity or the quantity cultivated is at or below statutory grow site amounts

Officers should not take enforcement action against a person who does not meet the definition of a patient if the person is taking steps to obtain a RIC; possesses, delivers, or manufactures marijuana at or below statutory possession or grow site amounts; and the person's medical use claim appears genuine under the circumstances (ORS 475C.889).

### 450.3.4 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Officers should consider the following when investigating an incident involving marijuana possession, delivery, production, or use:

- (a) Grow sites are regulated in the following manner (ORS 475C.792):
  - 1. The Oregon Health Authority must have issued a marijuana grow site registration card for a site to be valid.
  - 2. The grow site registration card must be posted for each RIC holder for whom marijuana is being produced at a marijuana grow site.
- (b) An officer who determines that the number of marijuana plants at an address exceeds quantities authorized by statute may confiscate only the excess number of plants (ORS 475C.806).
- (c) Because enforcement of medical marijuana laws can be complex and time consuming and call for resources unavailable at the time of initial investigation, officers may consider submitting a report to the prosecutor for review, in lieu of making an arrest. This can be particularly appropriate when:
  - 1. The suspect has been identified and can be easily located at another time.
  - 2. The case would benefit from review by a person with expertise in medical marijuana investigations.
  - 3. Sufficient evidence, such as photographs or samples, has been lawfully obtained.

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- 4. Any other relevant factors exist, such as limited available department resources and time constraints.
- (d) Before proceeding with enforcement related to grow sites, a marijuana producer, or processing sites, officers should consider conferring with appropriate legal counsel, the Oregon Health Authority, and/or Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (ORS 475C.137; ORS 475C.806).
- (e) Registration or proof of registration under ORS 475C.770 to ORS 475C.919 does not constitute probable cause to search the person or property of the registrant or otherwise subject the person or property of the registrant to inspection (ORS 475C.894).
- (f) As a licensing authority, the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission may assist with related questions regarding recreational marijuana (ORS 475C.065).

### 450.3.5 EXCEPTIONS

Medical marijuana users are generally not exempt from other criminal laws, and officers should enforce criminal laws not specifically covered by the Medical Marijuana Act appropriately. Officers may take enforcement action if the person (ORS 475C.886):

- (a) Drives under the influence of marijuana as provided in ORS 813.010.
- (b) Engages in the medical use of marijuana in a place where the general public has access (ORS 161.015), in public view, in a correctional facility (ORS 162.135(2)), or in a youth correction facility (ORS 162.135(6)).
- (c) Delivers marijuana to any individual who the person knows is not in possession of a RIC.
- (d) Delivers marijuana to any individual or entity that the person knows has not been designated to receive marijuana or assigned a possessory interest in marijuana by an individual in possession of a RIC.

If an officer knows or has reasonable grounds to suspect a violation of the Adult and Medical Use of Cannabis Act (ORS 475C.005 to ORS 475C.525), the officer shall immediately notify the district attorney who has jurisdiction over the violation and provide any relevant information, including the names and addresses of any witnesses (ORS 475C.413).

### 450.3.6 INDUSTRIAL HEMP

Medicinal marijuana investigations may lead to separate issues related to industrial hemp. Growers and handlers who operate under the industrial hemp laws of Oregon must be licensed with the ODA to grow or handle industrial hemp or produce agricultural hemp seed. Growers and handlers who produce seed products incapable of germination are not required to be licensed with the ODA (ORS 571.281). Officers may contact the ODA's Commodity Inspection Division for information about industrial hemp sites and registration compliance.

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#### 450.4 FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT

Officers should provide information regarding a marijuana investigation to federal law enforcement authorities when it is requested by federal law enforcement authorities or whenever the officer believes those authorities would have a particular interest in the information.

### 450.5 PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE SECTION SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Property and Evidence Section supervisor is not responsible for caring for live marijuana plants (ORS 475C.894).

Upon the prosecutor's decision to forgo prosecution, or the dismissal of charges or an acquittal, the Property and Evidence Section supervisor shall follow Federal Law in determining whether to return to the person from whom it was seized any usable marijuana, plants, drug paraphernalia, or other related property.ORS 475C.894 should also be taken into consideration when deciding whether to return marijuana related property.

The Property and Evidence Section supervisor may release marijuana to federal law enforcement authorities upon presentation of a valid court order or by a written order of the Detective Unit supervisor.

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# **Foot Pursuits**

### 456.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines to assist officers in making the decision to initiate or continue the pursuit of suspects on foot.

### 456.2 DECISION TO PURSUE

The safety of department members and the public should be the primary consideration when determining whether a foot pursuit should be initiated or continued. Officers must be mindful that immediate apprehension of a suspect is rarely more important than the safety of the public and department members.

Officers may be justified in initiating a foot pursuit of any individual that the officer reasonably believes is about to engage in, is engaging in or has engaged in criminal activity. The decision to initiate or continue such a foot pursuit, however, must be continuously re-evaluated in light of the circumstances presented at the time.

Mere flight by a person who is not suspected of criminal activity alone shall not serve as justification for engaging in an extended foot pursuit without the development of reasonable suspicion regarding the individual's involvement in criminal activity or being wanted by law enforcement.

Deciding to initiate or continue a foot pursuit is a decision that an officer must make quickly and under unpredictable and dynamic circumstances. It is recognized that foot pursuits may place department members and the public at significant risk. Therefore, no officer or supervisor shall be criticized or disciplined for deciding not to engage in a foot pursuit because of the perceived risk involved.

If circumstances permit, surveillance and containment are generally the safest tactics for apprehending fleeing persons. In deciding whether to initiate or continue a foot pursuit, officers should continuously consider reasonable alternatives to pursuit based upon the circumstances and resources available, such as the following:

- (a) Containment of the area.
- (b) Saturation of the area with law enforcement personnel, including assistance from other agencies.
- (c) A canine search.
- (d) Thermal imaging or other sensing technology.
- (e) Air support
- (f) Apprehension at another time when the identity of the suspect is known or there is information available that would likely allow for later apprehension, and the need to immediately apprehend the suspect does not reasonably appear to outweigh the risk of continuing the pursuit.

#### 456.3 GENERAL GUIDELINES

When reasonably practicable, officers should consider alternatives to engaging in or continuing a foot pursuit when:

- (a) Directed by a supervisor to terminate the foot pursuit. Such an order shall be considered mandatory.
- (b) The officer is acting alone.
- (c) Two or more officers become separated, lose visual contact with one another or obstacles separate them to the degree that they cannot immediately assist each other should a confrontation take place. In such circumstances, it is generally recommended that a single officer keep the suspect in sight from a safe distance and coordinate the containment effort.
- (d) The officer is unsure of his/her location and direction of travel.
- (e) The officer is pursuing multiple suspects and it is not reasonable to believe that the officer would be able to control the suspect should a confrontation occur.
- (f) The physical condition of the officer renders them incapable of controlling the suspect if apprehended.
- (g) The officer loses radio contact with the dispatcher or with assisting or backup officers.
- (h) The suspect enters a building, structure, confined space, isolated area or dense or difficult terrain, and there are insufficient officers to provide backup and containment. The primary officer should consider discontinuing the pursuit and coordinating containment pending the arrival of sufficient resources.
- (i) The officer becomes aware of unanticipated or unforeseen circumstances that unreasonably increases the risk to or the public.
- (j) The officer reasonably believes that the danger to the pursuing officers or public outweighs the objective of immediate apprehension.
- (k) The officer loses possession of his/her firearm or other essential equipment.
- (I) The officer or a third party is injured during the foot pursuit, requiring immediate assistance, and there are no other emergency personnel available to render assistance.
- (m) The suspect's location is no longer known.
- (n) The identity of the suspect is established or other information exists that will allow for the suspect's apprehension at a later time, and it reasonably appears that there is no immediate threat to department members or the public if the suspect is not immediately apprehended.
- (o) The officer's ability to safely continue the foot pursuit is impaired by inclement weather, darkness or other environmental conditions.

#### 456.4 RESPONSIBILITIES IN FOOT PURSUITS

### 456.4.1 INITIATING OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Unless relieved by another officer or a supervisor, the initiating officer shall be responsible for coordinating the progress of the pursuit and containment. When acting alone and when practicable, the initiating officer should not attempt to overtake and confront the suspect but should attempt to keep the suspect in sight until sufficient officers are present to safely apprehend the suspect.

Early communication of available information from the involved officers is essential so that adequate resources can be coordinated and deployed to bring a foot pursuit to a safe conclusion. Officers initiating a foot pursuit should, at a minimum, broadcast the following information as soon as it becomes practicable and available:

- (a) Location and direction of travel
- (b) Call sign identifier
- (c) Reason for the foot pursuit, such as the crime classification
- (d) Number of suspects and description, to include name if known
- (e) Whether the suspect is known or believed to be armed with a dangerous weapon

Officers should be mindful that radio transmissions made while running may be difficult to understand and may need to be repeated.

Absent extenuating circumstances, any officers unable to promptly and effectively broadcast this information should terminate the foot pursuit. If the foot pursuit is discontinued for any reason, immediate efforts for containment should be established and alternatives considered based upon the circumstances and available resources.

When a foot pursuit terminates, the officer will notify the dispatcher of the officer's location and the status of the pursuit termination (e.g., suspect in custody, lost sight of suspect), and will direct further actions as reasonably appear necessary, to include requesting medical aid as needed for officers, suspects, or members of the public.

### 456.4.2 ASSISTING OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Whenever any officer announces that he/she is engaged in a foot pursuit, all other officers should minimize non-essential radio traffic to permit the involved officers maximum access to the radio frequency.

Any officers who are in a position to intercept a fleeing suspect, or who can assist the primary officer with the apprehension of the suspect, shall act reasonably and in accordance with department policy, based upon available information and his/her own observations.

### 456.4.3 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon becoming aware of a foot pursuit, the supervisor shall make every reasonable effort to ascertain sufficient information necessary to direct responding resources and to take command,

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control and coordination of the foot pursuit. The supervisor should respond to the area whenever possible; the supervisor does not, however, need to be physically present to exercise control over the pursuit. The supervisor shall continuously assess the situation in order to ensure the foot pursuit is conducted within established department guidelines.

The supervisor shall terminate the foot pursuit when the danger to pursuing officers or the public appears to unreasonably outweigh the objective of immediate apprehension of the suspect.

Upon apprehension of the suspect, the supervisor shall promptly proceed to the termination point to direct the post-foot pursuit activity.

### 456.4.4 DISPATCH RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon being notified or becoming aware that a foot pursuit is in progress, the dispatcher is responsible for:

- (a) Clearing the radio channel of non-emergency traffic.
- (b) Coordinating pursuit communications of the involved officers.
- (c) Broadcasting pursuit updates as well as other pertinent information as necessary.
- (d) Ensuring that a field supervisor is notified of the foot pursuit.
- (e) Notifying and coordinating with other involved or affected agencies as practicable.
- (f) Notifying the Patrol Sergeant as soon as practicable.
- (g) Assigning an incident number and logging all pursuit activities.

### 456.5 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The initiating officer shall complete the appropriate crime/arrest reports documenting, at minimum, the following:

- (a) Date and time of the foot pursuit.
- (b) Initial reason and circumstances surrounding the foot pursuit.
- (c) Course and approximate distance of the foot pursuit.
- (d) Alleged offenses.
- (e) Involved vehicles and officers.
- (f) Whether a suspect was apprehended as well as the means and methods used.
  - 1. Any use of force shall be reported and documented in compliance with the Use of Force Policy.
- (g) Any injuries and/or medical treatment.
- (h) Any property or equipment damage.
- (i) Name of the supervisor at the scene or who handled the incident.

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Assisting officers taking an active role in the apprehension of the suspect shall complete supplemental reports as necessary or as directed.

The supervisor reviewing the report will make a preliminary determination that the pursuit appears to be in compliance with this policy or that additional review and/or follow-up is warranted.

In any case in which a suspect is not apprehended and there is insufficient information to support further investigation, a supervisor may authorize that the initiating officer need not complete a formal report.

### **456.6 POLICY**

It is the policy of this department that officers, when deciding to initiate or continue a foot pursuit, continuously balance the objective of apprehending the suspect with the risk and potential for injury to department members, the public or the suspect.

Officers are expected to act reasonably, based on the totality of the circumstances.

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# **Bicycle Patrol Unit**

### 458.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department may utilize a Bicycle Patrol for the purpose of enhancing patrol efforts in the community. Bicycle patrol has been shown to be an effective way to increase officer visibility in congested areas and their quiet operation can provide a tactical approach to crimes in progress. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the safe and effective operation of the patrol bicycle.

### **458.2 POLICY**

Patrol bicycles may be used for regular patrol duty, traffic enforcement, parking control, or special events. The use of the patrol bicycle will emphasize their mobility and visibility to the community.

Bicycles may be deployed to any area at all hours of the day or night, according to Department needs and as staffing levels allow.

Requests for specific deployment of bicycle patrol officers shall be coordinated through the Patrol Sergeant.

### 458.3 SELECTION OF PERSONNEL

Interested sworn personnel shall submit a request for assignment memorandum to their supervisor. Interested personnel shall be evaluated by the following criteria:

- (a) Recognized competence and ability as evidenced by performance.
- (b) Special skills or training as it pertains to the assignment.
- (c) Good physical condition.
- (d) Willingness to perform duties using the bicycle as a mode of transportation.

### 458.4 TRAINING

Participants in the program must complete an initial department-approved bicycle training course after acceptance into the program. Thereafter bicycle patrol officers should receive twice yearly in-service training to improve skills and refresh safety, health and operational procedures. The initial training shall minimally include the following:

- Bicycle patrol strategies
- Bicycle safety and accident prevention
- Operational tactics using bicycles

Bicycle patrol officers will be required to qualify with their duty firearm while wearing bicycle safety equipment including the helmet and riding gloves.

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#### 458.5 UNIFORMS AND EQUIPMENT

Bicycle officers shall wear the department-approved uniform and safety equipment while operating the patrol bicycle. Safety equipment includes department-approved helmet, riding gloves, protective eyewear and approved footwear. Soft body armor/vest is required.

The bicycle uniform consists of the standard short sleeve uniform shirt or black polo type shirt with department-approved badge and patches and black bicycle patrol pants or shorts with uniform appearance.

Bicycle officers shall carry the same equipment on the bicycle patrol duty belt as they would on a regular patrol assignment.

Officers will be responsible for obtaining necessary forms, citation books and other needed equipment to keep available while on bike patrol.

### 458.6 CARE AND USE OF PATROL BICYCLES

Bicycles utilized for uniformed bicycle patrol shall be primarily black or white in color with a Police decal affixed to each side of the crossbar or the bike's saddlebag. Every such bicycle shall be equipped with front and rear reflectors and front lights, satisfying the requirements of <u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> § 815.280(2).

Bicycles utilized for uniformed bicycle patrol shall be equipped with a rear rack and/or saddle bag(s) sufficient to carry all necessary equipment to handle routine patrol calls.

Bicycle officers shall conduct an inspection of the bicycle and equipment prior to use to insure proper working order of the equipment. Officers are responsible for the routine care and maintenance of their assigned equipment (e.g., tire pressure, chain lubrication, overall cleaning).

If a needed repair is beyond the ability of the bicycle officer, a repair work order will be completed and forwarded to the patrol supervisor for repair by an approved technician.

Each bicycle will have scheduled maintenance twice yearly to be performed by a department-approved repair shop/technician.

At the end of a bicycle assignment, the bicycle shall be returned clean and ready for the next tour of duty.

Patrol bicycle batteries shall be rotated on the assigned charger at the end of each tour of duty. During prolonged periods of non-use, each officer assigned an electric bicycle shall periodically rotate the batteries on the respective charges to increase battery life.

Except in the event of an emergency officers shall not remove or add components or modify the patrol bicycle without the expressed approval of the patrol supervisor.

Except when emergency circumstances preclude doing so patrol bicycles should be properly secured when not in the officer's immediate presence.

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### 458.7 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITY

Officers must operate the bicycle in compliance with the Oregon Revised Statutes. Officers may operate the bicycle without lighting equipment during hours of darkness when such operation reasonably appears necessary for officer safety and tactical considerations. Officers must use caution and care when operating the bicycle without lighting equipment.

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# **Homeless Persons**

### 462.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that department members understand the needs and rights of the homeless, and to establish procedures to guide them during all contacts with the homeless, whether consensual or for enforcement purposes.

This policy establishes a liaison to the homeless community, addresses the responsibilities of the department member appointed to act as a liaison to the homeless, and details the need for special protection and services for homeless persons.

### **462.2 FIELD CONTACTS**

Officers are encouraged to contact a homeless person to render aid, offer assistance, or to check the person's welfare. Officers also will take enforcement action when information supports a reasonable and articulable suspicion of criminal activity. However, such contacts shall not be used for harassment.

When encountering a homeless person who has committed a non-violent misdemeanor and continued freedom is not likely to result in a continuation of the offense or a breach of the peace, officers are encouraged to consider long-term solutions, such as shelter referrals and counseling, in lieu of physical arrest.

Officers should provide homeless persons with resource and assistance information whenever it is reasonably apparent such services may be appropriate.

### 462.2.1 CONSIDERATIONS

A homeless person will receive the same level and quality of service provided to other members of the community. The fact that a victim, witness, or suspect is homeless can, however, require special considerations for a successful investigation and prosecution. When handling investigations involving victims, witnesses, or suspects who are homeless, officers should consider:

- (a) Documenting alternate contact information. This may include obtaining addresses and telephone numbers of relatives and friends.
- (b) Documenting locations the person may frequent.
- (c) Providing victim/witness resources, when appropriate.
- (d) Obtaining sufficient statements from all available witnesses in the event that a victim cannot be located and is unavailable for a court appearance.
- (e) Whether the person may be an adult abuse victim and, if so, proceed in accordance with the Adult Abuse Policy.
- (f) Arranging for transportation for investigation-related matters, such as medical exams and court appearances.

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(g) Whether a crime should be reported and submitted for prosecution, even when a victim who is homeless indicates no desire for prosecution.

#### **462.3 PERSONAL PROPERTY**

The personal property of homeless persons must not be treated differently than the property of other members of the public. Officers should use reasonable care when handling, collecting, and retaining the personal property of homeless persons and should not destroy or discard the personal property of a homeless person.

When a homeless person is arrested, or otherwise removed from a public place, officers should make reasonable accommodations to permit the person to lawfully secure any personal property. Otherwise, the arrestee's personal property should be collected for safekeeping. If the arrestee has more personal property than can reasonably be collected and transported by the officer, a supervisor should be consulted. The property should be photographed, and measures should be taken to remove or secure the property. It will be the supervisor's responsibility to coordinate the removal and safekeeping.

Officers should not conduct or assist in clean-up operations of belongings that reasonably appear to be the property of homeless persons without the prior authorization of a supervisor or the department Homeless Liaison Officer.

Officers who encounter unattended encampments, bedding, or other personal property in public areas that reasonably appears to belong to a homeless person should not remove or destroy such property and should inform the liaison if such property appears to involve a trespass, is a blight to the community, or is the subject of a complaint. It will be the responsibility of the liaison to address the matter in a timely fashion.

#### 462.3.1 STATE LAW ON UNCLAIMED PERSONAL PROPERTY

When a homeless individual is removed pursuant to a city policy, any unclaimed personal property stored by this department shall be stored in an orderly fashion, keeping items that belong to an individual together to the extent that ownership can reasonably be determined. Items that have no apparent utility or are in an unsanitary condition may be immediately discarded upon removal of the homeless individual from the camp site (ORS 195.505).

Weapons, controlled substances, and items that appear to be either stolen or evidence of a crime shall be stored pursuant to department protocols and the Property and Evidence Policy.

### **462.4 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES**

When mental health issues are evident, officers should consider referring the person to the appropriate mental health agency or providing the person with contact information for mental health assistance, as appropriate. In these circumstances, officers may provide transportation to a mental health facility for voluntary evaluation if it is requested or offered and accepted by the person, and approved by a supervisor. Officers should consider detaining the person under civil commitment when facts and circumstances reasonably indicate such a detention is warranted (see the Civil Commitments Policy).

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#### 462.5 ECOLOGICAL ISSUES

Sometimes homeless encampments can have an impact on the ecology and natural resources of the community and may involve criminal offenses beyond mere littering. Officers are encouraged to notify other appropriate agencies or City departments when a significant impact to the environment has or is likely to occur. A significant impact to the environment may warrant a crime report, investigation, supporting photographs, and supervisor notification.

### **462.6 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to protect the rights, dignity, and private property of all members of the community, including people who are homeless. Abuse of authority to harass any member of the community will not be permitted. The Sweet Home Police Department will address the needs of homeless persons in balance with the overall mission of this department.

Homelessness is not a crime and members will not use homelessness as the sole basis for detention or law enforcement action.

### 462.7 HOMELESS CAMPS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

Prior to removing homeless individuals from an established campsite on public property, officers shall (ORS 195.505):

- (a) Post the area with required written notice of pending removal at all entrances reasonably identifiable. Notice should be in English and Spanish and include all required information under ORS 195.505 (e.g., location of unclaimed property, required contact information for questions regarding location of property storage).
  - 1. Notice shall be posted at least 72 hours prior to removal except in certain circumstances (e.g., camping at cemeteries).
- (b) Once notice is posted, notify the local agency that delivers social services to homeless individuals as to where the notice has been posted.

The 72-hour warning notice requirement is not necessary if officers reasonably believe that illegal activity unrelated to the camping is occurring at an established camping site or in the event of an exceptional emergency such as a possible site contamination by hazardous materials, a public health emergency, or other immediate danger to human life or safety (ORS 195.505).



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# **Public Recording of Law Enforcement Activity**

### 463.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for handling situations in which members of the public photograph or audio/video record law enforcement actions and other public activities that involve members of this department. In addition, this policy provides guidelines for situations where the recordings may be evidence.

### **463.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes the right of persons to lawfully record members of this department who are performing their official duties. Members of this department will not prohibit or intentionally interfere with such lawful recordings. Any recordings that are deemed to be evidence of a crime or relevant to an investigation will only be collected or seized lawfully.

Officers should exercise restraint and should not resort to highly discretionary arrests for offenses such as interference, failure to comply or disorderly conduct as a means of preventing someone from exercising the right to record members performing their official duties.

### **463.3 RECORDING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY**

Members of the public who wish to record law enforcement activities are limited only in certain aspects.

- (a) Recordings may be made from any public place or any private property where the individual has the legal right to be present (ORS 165.540).
- (b) Beyond the act of photographing or recording, individuals may not interfere with the law enforcement activity. Examples of interference include, but are not limited to:
  - 1. Tampering with a witness or suspect.
  - Inciting others to violate the law.
  - 3. Being so close to the activity as to present a clear safety hazard to the officers.
  - 4. Being so close to the activity as to interfere with an officer's effective communication with a suspect or witness.
- (c) The individual may not present an undue safety risk to the officers, him/herself or others.

#### 463.4 OFFICER/DEPUTY RESPONSE

Officers should promptly request that a supervisor respond to the scene whenever it appears that anyone recording activities may be interfering with an investigation or it is believed that the recording may be evidence. If practicable, officers should wait for the supervisor to arrive before taking enforcement action or seizing any cameras or recording media.

Whenever practicable, officers or supervisors should give clear and concise warnings to individuals who are conducting themselves in a manner that would cause their recording or behavior to be unlawful. Accompanying the warnings should be clear directions on what an

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individual can do to be compliant; directions should be specific enough to allow compliance. For example, rather than directing an individual to clear the area, an officer could advise the person that he/she may continue observing and recording from the sidewalk across the street.

If an arrest or other significant enforcement activity is taken as the result of a recording that interferes with law enforcement activity, officers shall document in a report the nature and extent of the interference or other unlawful behavior and the warnings that were issued.

#### 463.5 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

A supervisor should respond to the scene when requested or any time the circumstances indicate a likelihood of interference or other unlawful behavior.

The supervisor should review the situation with the officer and:

- (a) Request any additional assistance as needed to ensure a safe environment.
- (b) Take a lead role in communicating with individuals who are observing or recording regarding any appropriate limitations on their location or behavior. When practical, the encounter should be recorded.
- (c) When practicable, allow adequate time for individuals to respond to requests for a change of location or behavior.
- (d) Ensure that any enforcement, seizure or other actions are consistent with this policy and constitutional and state law.
- (e) Explain alternatives for individuals who wish to express concern about the conduct of Department members, such as how and where to file a complaint.

### 463.6 SEIZING RECORDINGS AS EVIDENCE

Officers should not seize recording devices or media unless ("First Amendment Privacy Protection, Unlawful Acts", 42 USC § 2000aa):

- (a) There is probable cause to believe the person recording has committed or is committing a crime to which the recording relates, and the recording is reasonably necessary for prosecution of the person.
  - Absent exigency or consent, a warrant should be sought before seizing or viewing such recordings. Reasonable steps may be taken to prevent erasure of the recording.
- (b) There is reason to believe that the immediate seizure of such recordings is necessary to prevent serious bodily injury or death of any person.
- (c) The person consents.
  - 1. To ensure that the consent is voluntary, the request should not be made in a threatening or coercive manner.
  - 2. If the original recording is provided, a copy of the recording should be provided to the recording party, if practicable. The recording party should be permitted to be present while the copy is being made, if feasible. Another way to obtain the

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evidence is to transmit a copy of the recording from a device to a departmentowned device.

Recording devices and media that are seized will be submitted within the guidelines of the Property and Evidence Policy.

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# **First Amendment Assemblies**

### 464.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance for responding to public assemblies or demonstrations.

#### **464.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department respects the rights of people to peaceably assemble. It is the policy of this department not to unreasonably interfere with, harass, intimidate or discriminate against persons engaged in the lawful exercise of their rights, while also preserving the peace, protecting life and preventing the destruction of property.

#### 464.3 GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

Individuals or groups present on the public way, such as public facilities, streets or walkways, generally have the right to assemble, rally, demonstrate, protest or otherwise express their views and opinions through varying forms of communication, including the distribution of printed matter. These rights may be limited by laws or ordinances regulating such matters as the obstruction of individual or vehicle access or egress, trespass, noise, picketing, distribution of handbills and leafleting, and loitering. However, officers shall not take action or fail to take action based on the opinions being expressed.

Participant behavior during a demonstration or other public assembly can vary. This may include, but is not limited to:

- Lawful, constitutionally protected actions and speech.
- Civil disobedience (typically involving minor criminal acts).
- Rioting.

All of these behaviors may be present during the same event. Therefore, it is imperative that law enforcement actions are measured and appropriate for the behaviors officers may encounter. This is particularly critical if force is being used. Adaptable strategies and tactics are essential.

The purpose of a law enforcement presence at the scene of public assemblies and demonstrations should be to preserve the peace, to protect life and prevent the destruction of property.

### Officers should not:

- (a) Engage in assembly or demonstration-related discussion with participants.
- (b) Harass, confront or intimidate participants.
- (c) Seize the cameras, cell phones or materials of participants or observers unless an officer is placing a person under lawful arrest.

Supervisors should continually observe department members under their commands to ensure that members' interaction with participants and their response to crowd dynamics is appropriate.

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#### 464.3.1 PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO RECORDINGS

Photographs and video recording, when appropriate, can serve a number of purposes, including support of criminal prosecutions by documenting criminal acts; assistance in evaluating department performance; serving as training material; recording the use of dispersal orders; and facilitating a response to allegations of improper law enforcement conduct.

Photographs and videos will not be used or retained for the sole purpose of collecting or maintaining information about the political, religious or social views of associations, or the activities of any individual, group, association, organization, corporation, business or partnership, unless such information directly relates to an investigation of criminal activities and there is reasonable suspicion that the subject of the information is involved in criminal conduct.

### **464.4 UNPLANNED EVENTS**

When responding to an unplanned or spontaneous public gathering, the first responding officer should conduct an assessment of conditions, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Location
- Number of participants
- Apparent purpose of the event
- Leadership (whether it is apparent and/or whether it is effective)
- Any initial indicators of unlawful or disruptive activity
- Indicators that lawful use of public facilities, streets or walkways will be impacted
- Ability and/or need to continue monitoring the incident

Initial assessment information should be promptly communicated to dispatch, and the assignment of a supervisor should be requested. Additional resources should be requested as appropriate. The responding supervisor shall assume command of the incident until command is expressly assumed by another, and the assumption of command is communicated to the involved members. A clearly defined command structure that is consistent with the Incident Command System (ICS) should be established as resources are deployed.

### 464.5 PLANNED EVENT PREPARATION

For planned events, comprehensive, incident-specific operational plans should be developed. The ICS should be considered for such events.

### 464.5.1 INFORMATION GATHERING AND ASSESSMENT

In order to properly assess the potential impact of a public assembly or demonstration on public safety and order, relevant information should be collected and vetted. This may include:

- Information obtained from outreach to group organizers or leaders.
- Information about past and potential unlawful conduct associated with the event or similar events.

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- The potential time, duration, scope, and type of planned activities.
- Any other information related to the goal of providing a balanced response to criminal activity and the protection of public safety interests.

Information should be obtained in a transparent manner, and the sources documented. Relevant information should be communicated to the appropriate parties in a timely manner.

Information will be obtained in a lawful manner and will not be based solely on the purpose or content of the assembly or demonstration, or actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, or disability of the participants (or any other characteristic that is unrelated to criminal conduct or the identification of a criminal subject).

### 464.5.2 OPERATIONAL PLANS

An operational planning team with responsibility for event planning and management should be established. The planning team should develop an operational plan for the event.

The operational plan will minimally provide for:

- (a) Command assignments, chain of command structure, roles, and responsibilities.
- (b) Staffing and resource allocation.
- (c) Management of criminal investigations
- (d) Designation of uniform of the day and related safety equipment (e.g., helmets, shields).
  - 1. The plan shall include officer identifiers affixed to the uniform and helmet that comply with ORS 181A.702.
    - (a) An officer shall not intentionally obscure any part of a uniform or helmet identifier.
- (e) Deployment of specialized resources.
- (f) Event communications and interoperability in a multijurisdictional event.
- (g) Liaison with demonstration leaders and external agencies.
- (h) Liaison with City government and legal staff.
- (i) Media relations.
- (j) Logistics: food, fuel, replacement equipment, duty hours, relief, and transportation.
- (k) Traffic management plans.
- (I) First aid and emergency medical service provider availability.
- (m) Prisoner transport and detention.
- (n) Review of policies regarding public assemblies and use of force in crowd control.
- (o) Parameters for declaring an unlawful assembly.
- (p) Arrest protocol, including management of mass arrests.

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- (q) Protocol for recording information flow and decisions.
- (r) Rules of engagement, including rules of conduct, protocols for field force extraction and arrests, and any authorization required for the use of force.
- (s) Protocol for handling complaints during the event.
- (t) Parameters for the use of body-worn cameras and other portable recording devices.

### 464.5.3 MUTUAL AID AND EXTERNAL RESOURCES

The magnitude and anticipated duration of an event may necessitate interagency cooperation and coordination. The assigned Incident Commander should ensure that any required memorandums of understanding or other agreements are properly executed, and that any anticipated mutual aid is requested and facilitated (see the Outside Agency Assistance Policy).

### 464.6 UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY DISPERSAL ORDERS

If a public gathering or demonstration remains peaceful and nonviolent, and there is no reasonably imminent threat to persons or property, the Incident Commander should generally authorize continued monitoring of the event.

Should the Incident Commander make a determination that public safety is presently or is about to be jeopardized, he/she or the authorized designee should attempt to verbally persuade event organizers or participants to disperse of their own accord. Warnings and advisements may be communicated through established communications links with leaders and/or participants or to the group.

When initial attempts at verbal persuasion are unsuccessful, the Incident Commander or the authorized designee should make a clear standardized announcement to the gathering that the event is an unlawful assembly, and should order the dispersal of the participants. The announcement should be communicated by whatever methods are reasonably available to ensure that the content of the message is clear and that it has been heard by the participants. The announcement should be amplified, made in different languages as appropriate, made from multiple locations in the affected area and documented by audio and video. The announcement should provide information about what law enforcement actions will take place if illegal behavior continues and should identify routes for egress. A reasonable time to disperse should be allowed following a dispersal order.

#### 464.7 USE OF FORCE

Use of force is governed by current department policy and applicable law (see the Use of Force, Handcuffing and Restraints, Control Devices and Techniques, and Conducted Energy Device policies).

Individuals refusing to comply with lawful orders (e.g., nonviolent refusal to disperse) should be given a clear verbal warning and a reasonable opportunity to comply. If an individual refuses to comply with lawful orders, the Incident Commander shall evaluate the type of resistance and adopt a reasonable response in order to accomplish the law enforcement mission (such as dispersal or arrest of those acting in violation of the law). Control devices and conducted energy devices should

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be considered only when the participants' conduct reasonably appears to present the potential to harm officers, themselves or others, or will result in substantial property loss or damage (see the Control Devices and Techniques and the Conducted Energy Device policies).

Force or control devices, including oleoresin capsicum (OC), should be directed toward individuals and not toward groups or crowds, unless specific individuals cannot reasonably be targeted due to extreme circumstances, such as a riotous crowd.

Any use of force by a member of this department shall be documented promptly, completely, and accurately in an appropriate report. The type of report required may depend on the nature of the incident.

#### **464.8 ARRESTS**

The Sweet Home Police Department should respond to unlawful behavior in a manner that is consistent with the operational plan. If practicable, warnings or advisements should be communicated prior to arrest.

Mass arrests should be employed only when alternate tactics and strategies have been or reasonably appear likely to be unsuccessful. Mass arrests shall only be undertaken upon the order of the Incident Commander or the authorized designee. There must be probable cause for each arrest.

If employed, mass arrest protocols should fully integrate:

- (a) Reasonable measures to address the safety of officers and arrestees.
- (b) Dedicated arrest, booking and report writing teams.
- (c) Timely access to medical care.
- (d) Timely access to legal resources.
- (e) Timely processing of arrestees.
- (f) Full accountability for arrestees and evidence.
- (g) Coordination and cooperation with the prosecuting authority, jail and courts (see the Citation Releases Policy).

### **464.9 MEDIA RELATIONS**

The Public Information Officer should use all available avenues of communication, including press releases, briefings, press conferences and social media to maintain open channels of communication with media representatives and the public about the status and progress of the event, taking all opportunities to reassure the public about the professional management of the event (see the Media Relations Policy).

### 464.10 DEMOBILIZATION

When appropriate, the Incident Commander or the authorized designee should implement a phased and orderly withdrawal of law enforcement resources. All relieved personnel should

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promptly complete any required reports, including use of force reports, and account for all issued equipment and vehicles to their supervisors prior to returning to normal operational duties.

#### **464.11 POST EVENT**

The Incident Commander should designate a member to assemble full documentation of the event, to include the following:

- (a) Operational plan
- (b) Any incident logs
- (c) Any assignment logs
- (d) Vehicle, fuel, equipment and supply records
- (e) Incident, arrest, use of force, injury and property damage reports
- (f) Photographs, audio/video recordings, Dispatch records/tapes
- (g) Media accounts (print and broadcast media)

#### 464.11.1 AFTER-ACTION REPORTING

The Incident Commander should work with City legal counsel, as appropriate, to prepare a comprehensive after-action report of the event, explaining all incidents where force was used including the following:

- (a) Date, time and description of the event
- (b) Actions taken and outcomes (e.g., injuries, property damage, arrests)
- (c) Problems identified
- (d) Significant events
- (e) Recommendations for improvement; opportunities for training should be documented in a generic manner, without identifying individuals or specific incidents, facts or circumstances.

### **464.12 TRAINING**

Department members should receive periodic training regarding this policy, as well as the dynamics of crowd control and incident management. The Department should, when practicable, train with its external and mutual aid partners.

#### 464.13 PUBLIC REQUEST OF OFFICER IDENTIFICATION

Officers shall provide their name, identification number, or unique identifier assigned by the Department to a person when requested if it is practical, safe, and tactically sound to do so at the time of request (ORS 181A.704).

The request may be satisfied by providing a department-issued business card.

### 464.13.1 INVESTIGATION OF OFFICER IDENTIFICATION

Upon request by a member of the public, the Department shall conduct an investigation to identify an officer as follows (ORS 181A.704):

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The member of the public has provided the following:

- The member of the public has provided the following:
  - A partial name
  - A full or partial badge number, or other identifying number
  - A photo of the officer
  - A full or partial license plate, or other identifying number from a police vehicle
  - A physical description
  - The location, date, and time when the officer was present

Within seven days of receiving the request, the department shall confirm to the requester receipt of the request.

- Within 14 days after receiving the request, the department shall provide the requester:
  - The name and the number assigned to the officer by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training; or
  - An explanation of why the identification could not be performed.
- If the requester provided a full badge number, the department shall provide the name of the officer within 14 days after receiving the request.

Identification shall not be provided if the officer is participating in an undercover law enforcement operation (ORS 181A.704).

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# **Medical Aid and Response**

### 465.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy recognizes that members often encounter persons in need of medical aid and establishes a law enforcement response to such situations.

### **465.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that all officers and other designated members be trained to provide emergency medical aid and to facilitate an emergency medical response.

#### 465.3 FIRST RESPONDING MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Whenever practicable, members should take appropriate steps to provide initial medical aid (e.g., first aid, CPR, use of an automated external defibrillator (AED)) in accordance with their training and current certification levels. This should be done for those in need of immediate care and only when the member can safely do so.

Prior to initiating medical aid, the member should contact Dispatch and request response by Emergency Medical Services (EMS) as the member deems appropriate.

Members should follow universal precautions when providing medical aid, such as wearing gloves and avoiding contact with bodily fluids, consistent with the Communicable Diseases Policy. Members should use a barrier or bag device to perform rescue breathing.

When requesting EMS, the member should provide Dispatch with information for relay to EMS personnel in order to enable an appropriate response, including:

- (a) The location where EMS is needed.
- (b) The nature of the incident.
- (c) Any known scene hazards.
- (d) Information on the person in need of EMS, such as:
  - Signs and symptoms as observed by the member.
  - 2. Changes in apparent condition.
  - 3. Number of patients, sex, and age, if known.
  - 4. Whether the person is conscious, breathing, and alert, or is believed to have consumed drugs or alcohol.
  - 5. Whether the person is showing signs of extreme agitation or is engaging in violent irrational behavior accompanied by profuse sweating, extraordinary strength beyond their physical characteristics, and imperviousness to pain.

Members should stabilize the scene whenever practicable while awaiting the arrival of EMS.

Members should not direct EMS personnel whether to transport the person for treatment.

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#### 465.4 TRANSPORTING ILL AND INJURED PERSONS

Except in exceptional cases where alternatives are not reasonably available, members should not transport persons who are unconscious, who have serious injuries, or who may be seriously ill. EMS personnel should be called to handle patient transportation.

Officers should search any person who is in custody before releasing that person to EMS for transport.

An officer should accompany any person in custody during transport in an ambulance when requested by EMS personnel, when it reasonably appears necessary to provide security, when it is necessary for investigative purposes, or when so directed by a supervisor.

Members should not provide emergency escort for medical transport or civilian vehicles.

### 465.5 PERSONS REFUSING EMS CARE

If a person who is not in custody refuses EMS care or refuses to be transported to a medical facility, an officer shall not force that person to receive care or be transported.

However, members may assist EMS personnel when EMS personnel determine the person lacks the mental capacity to understand the consequences of refusing medical care or to make an informed decision and the lack of immediate medical attention may result in serious bodily injury or the death of the person.

In cases where mental illness may be a factor, the officer should consider proceeding with a civil commitment in accordance with the Civil Commitments Policy.

If an officer believes that a person who is in custody requires EMS care and the person refuses, he/she should encourage the person to receive medical treatment. The officer may also consider contacting a family member to help persuade the person to agree to treatment or who may be able to authorize treatment for the person.

If the person who is in custody still refuses, the officer will require the person to be transported to the nearest medical facility. In such cases, the officer should consult with a supervisor prior to the transport.

Members shall not sign refusal-for-treatment forms or forms accepting financial responsibility for treatment.

#### 465.6 SICK OR INJURED ARRESTEE

If an arrestee appears ill or injured, or claims illness or injury, he/she should be medically cleared prior to booking. If the officer has reason to believe the arrestee is feigning injury or illness, the officer should contact a supervisor, who will determine whether medical clearance will be obtained prior to booking.

If the jail or detention facility refuses to accept custody of an arrestee based on medical screening, the officer should note the name of the facility person refusing to accept custody and the reason for refusal, and should notify a supervisor to determine the appropriate action.

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Arrestees who appear to have a serious medical issue should be transported by ambulance. Officers shall not transport an arrestee to a hospital without a supervisor's approval.

Nothing in this section should delay an officer from requesting EMS when an arrestee reasonably appears to be exhibiting symptoms that appear to be life threatening, including breathing problems or an altered level of consciousness, or is claiming an illness or injury that reasonably warrants an EMS response in accordance with the officer's training.

#### 465.7 MEDICAL ATTENTION RELATED TO USE OF FORCE

Specific guidelines for medical attention for injuries sustained from a use of force may be found in the Use of Force, Handcuffing and Restraints, Control Devices and Techniques, and Conducted Energy Device policies.

### 465.8 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) USE

An AED should only be used by members who have completed a course with published standards and guidelines for CPR and the use of an AED.

### 465.8.1 AED USER RESPONSIBILITY

Members who are issued AEDs for use in department vehicles should check the AED at the beginning of the shift to ensure it is properly charged and functioning. Any AED that is not functioning properly will be taken out of service and given to the Training Sergeant who is responsible for ensuring appropriate maintenance.

Following use of an AED, the device shall be cleaned and/or decontaminated as required. The electrodes and/or pads will be replaced as recommended by the AED manufacturer.

Any member who uses an AED should contact Dispatch as soon as possible and request response by EMS.

### 465.8.2 AED REPORTING

Any member using an AED will complete an incident report detailing its use.

### 465.8.3 AED TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE

The Training Sergeant should ensure appropriate training is provided to members authorized to use an AED.

The Training Sergeant is responsible for ensuring AED devices are appropriately maintained and will retain records of all maintenance in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

### 465.9 ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION

Members may administer opioid overdose medication in accordance with protocols specified by the physician who prescribed the overdose medication for use by the member.

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### 465.9.1 OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION USER RESPONSIBILITIES

Members who are qualified to administer opioid overdose medication, such as naloxone, should handle, store and administer the medication consistent with their training. Members should check the medication and associated administration equipment at the beginning of their shift to ensure they are serviceable and not expired. Any expired medication or unserviceable administration equipment should be removed from service and given to the Training Sergeant.

Any member who administers an opioid overdose medication should contact Dispatch as soon as possible and request response by EMS.

### 465.9.2 OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION REPORTING

Any member administering opioid overdose medication should detail its use in an appropriate report.

The Training Sergeant will ensure that the Records Clerk is provided enough information to meet applicable state reporting requirements.

### 465.9.3 OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION TRAINING

The Training Sergeant should ensure training is provided to members authorized to administer opioid overdose medication.

### 465.10 FIRST AID TRAINING

Subject to available resources, the Training Sergeant should ensure officers receive periodic first aid training appropriate for their position.

### 465.11 MEDICAL ATTENTION FOR RESTRAINED PERSONS

When an officer encounters a restrained person suffering a respiratory or cardiac compromise, the officer shall request EMS services immediately if (ORS 133.518):

- (a) It is tactically feasible to make the request.
- (b) The officer has access to communications.

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# **Suspicious Activity Reporting**

### 466.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for reporting and investigating suspicious and criminal activity.

#### 466.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Involved party** - An individual who has been observed engaging in suspicious activity, as defined in this policy, when no definitive criminal activity can be identified, thus precluding the person's identification as a suspect.

**Suspicious activity** - Any reported or observed activity that a member reasonably believes may have a nexus to any criminal act or attempted criminal act, or to foreign or domestic terrorism. Actual or perceived characteristics such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, economic status, age, cultural group, or disability should not be considered as factors that create suspicion (although these factors may be used as specific suspect descriptions). Examples of suspicious activity may include but are not limited to:

- Suspected pre-operational surveillance or intelligence gathering (e.g., photographing security features, asking questions about sensitive security-related subjects).
- Tests of security measures and response to incidents (e.g., "dry run," creating false alarms, attempts to enter secure areas without authorization).
- Suspicious purchases (e.g., purchasing large quantities of otherwise legal items, such as fertilizer, that could be used to create an explosive or other dangerous device).
- An individual in possession of such things as a hoax explosive or dispersal device, sensitive materials (e.g., passwords, access codes, classified government information), or coded or ciphered literature or correspondence.

**Suspicious Activity Report (SAR)** - An incident report used to document suspicious activity.

### **466.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes the need to protect the public from criminal conduct and acts of terrorism and shall lawfully collect, maintain and disseminate information regarding suspicious activities, while safeguarding civil liberties and privacy protections.

### **466.3 RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Chief of Police and authorized designees will manage SAR activities. Authorized designees should include supervisors who are responsible for department participation in criminal intelligence systems as outlined in the Criminal Organizations Policy.

The responsibilities of the Chief of Police and/or the authorized designee include, but are not limited to:

(a) Remaining familiar with those databases available to the Department that would facilitate the purpose of this policy.

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- (b) Maintaining adequate training in the area of intelligence gathering to ensure no information is being maintained that would violate the law or civil rights of any individual.
- (c) Ensuring a process is available that would allow members to report relevant information. The process should be designed to promote efficient and quick reporting, and should not be cumbersome, duplicative or complicated.
- (d) Ensuring that members are made aware of the purpose and value of documenting information regarding suspicious activity, as well as the databases and other information resources that are available to the Department.
- (e) Ensuring that SAR information is appropriately disseminated to members in accordance with their job responsibilities.
- (f) Coordinating investigative follow-up, if appropriate.
- (g) Coordinating with any appropriate agency or fusion center.
- (h) Ensuring that, as resources are available, the Department conducts outreach that is designed to encourage members of the community to report suspicious activity and that outlines what they should look for and how they should report it (e.g., website, public service announcements).

### 466.4 REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION

Any department member receiving information regarding suspicious activity should take any necessary immediate and appropriate action, including a request for tactical response or immediate notification of specialized entities, when applicable. Any civilian member who receives such information should ensure that it is passed on to an officer in a timely manner.

If the suspicious activity is not directly related to a reportable crime, the member should prepare a SAR and include information about involved parties and the circumstances of the incident. If, during any investigation, an officer becomes aware of suspicious activity that is unrelated to the current investigation, the information should be documented separately in a SAR and not included in the original incident report. The report number of the original incident should be included in the SAR as a cross reference. A SAR should be processed as any other incident report.

### 466.5 HANDLING INFORMATION

The Records Division will forward copies of SARs, in a timely manner, to the following:

- Detective Unit supervisor
- Crime Analysis Unit
- Other authorized designees

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# **Body-Worn Cameras**

# 467.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the use of a body-worn camera (BWC) by members of this department and for the access, use, and retention of department BWC media (ORS 133.741).

The provisions of this policy, including notice, documentation, access, and retention, also apply to other portable audio/video recording devices used by members, where applicable.

This policy does not apply to undercover operations, wiretaps, or eavesdropping (concealed listening devices).

# 467.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Activate** - To place a BWC in active mode (also called event mode). In active mode, the BWC records both video and audio.

**BWC media** - The video, audio, and images captured by department BWCs and the associated metadata.

**BWC media systems** - Any software, including web-based programs and mobile applications, used by the Department to upload/download, store, view, transfer, and otherwise maintain BWC media.

**Deactivate** - To place a BWC in buffering mode (also called ready or pre-event mode). In buffering mode, the BWC records video (without audio) in short, predetermined intervals that are retained only temporarily. However, when a BWC is activated, the interval recorded immediately prior to activation is then stored as part of the BWC media. Deactivate does not mean powering off the BWC.

**Event** - A general term referring to a set of circumstances that may, but does not necessarily, correlate directly to a single public safety incident.

## **467.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Department to use BWCs and BWC media for evidence collection and to accurately document events in a way that promotes member safety and department accountability and transparency while also protecting the privacy of members of the public.

## 467.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

## 467.3.1 BWC COORDINATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should delegate certain responsibilities to a BWC coordinator.

The responsibilities of the coordinator include:

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- (a) Serving as a liaison between the Department and the BWC manufacturer/distributor and any third-party media storage vendor.
- (b) Developing inventory procedures for issuing and tracking BWC equipment, including properly marking BWCs as property of the Department and recording the date each BWC is placed into or taken out of service.
- (c) Assisting with troubleshooting and maintenance of BWC equipment and media systems and, when necessary, coordinating the repair or replacement of BWCs.
  - All equipment and system malfunctions and their resolutions should be documented, and maintenance and repair records should be maintained for all BWCs.
- (d) Managing BWC media systems so that:
  - Access is limited to the minimum necessary authorized users and user privileges are restricted to those necessary for the member to conduct assigned department duties.
  - 2. Security requirements, such as two-factor authentication and appropriate password parameters, are in place for user credentials.
- (e) Configuring BWC media systems, or developing manual procedures, so that media is appropriately categorized and retained according to the event type tagged by members.
- (f) Retaining audit logs or records of all access, alteration, and deletion of BWC media and media systems, and conducting periodic audits to ensure compliance with applicable laws, regulations, and department policy.
- (g) Developing and updating BWC training for members who are assigned a BWC or given access to BWC media systems.
- (h) Coordinating with the community relations coordinator to (see the Community Relations Policy):
  - 1. Provide the public with notice of the department's use of BWCs (e.g., posting on the department website or social media pages).
  - 2. Gain insight into community expectations regarding BWC use.
- (i) Coordinating with the Records Clerk to (see the Records Division and Records Maintenance and Release policies):
  - 1. Determine and apply proper retention periods to BWC media.
  - 2. Develop procedures for the appropriate release of BWC media.
- (j) Coordinating with the Property and Evidence Section to develop procedures for the transfer, storage, and backup of evidentiary BWC media (see the Property and Evidence Policy).

#### 467.3.2 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Every member issued a BWC is responsible for its proper use, safekeeping, and maintenance.

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At the beginning of each shift or period of BWC use, the member should inspect their assigned BWC to confirm it is charged and in good working order. As part of the inspection, the member should perform a function test by activating the BWC and recording a brief video stating their name, identification number, assignment, and the date and time.

Members should wear their assigned BWC on their outermost garment positioned at or near chest level and as close to the center of their body as practicable. Members are responsible for ensuring there are no obstructions and that the BWC remains in a position suitable for recording.

When a BWC is not in the physical possession of the member to which it is assigned, it should be placed on the charging dock and stored in a secure location.

Members shall report any malfunction or damage to the BWC coordinator or on-duty supervisor as soon as practicable and, if possible, obtain a functioning BWC to use either temporarily while repairs are being made to the member's BWC or as a permanent replacement.

### 467.4 BWC USE

The following guidelines apply to the use of BWCs:

- (a) Only department-issued BWCs should be used without the express consent of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.
- (b) BWCs should only be used by the member or members to whom it was issued unless otherwise authorized by a supervisor.
- (c) The use of department-issued BWCs shall be strictly limited to department-related activities.
- (d) Members shall not use BWCs or BWC media systems for which they have not received prior authorization and appropriate training.
- (e) Members shall immediately report unauthorized access or use of BWCs or BWC media systems by another member to their supervisor or the Chief of Police.

### 467.4.1 PROHIBITIONS

BWCs should not be used to record:

- (a) Routine administrative activities of the Department that do not involve interactions with the public. Care should be taken to avoid incidentally recording confidential documents that the Department has a duty to keep secure (i.e., criminal justice information).
- (b) Areas within the department facilities where members have a reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., locker rooms or dressing areas, breakrooms) unless responding to a call for service or conducting an investigation.
- (c) Conversations of other members without their knowledge.
- (d) When a member is taking an authorized break or otherwise engaged in personal activities.
- (e) In a courtroom unless responding to a call for service or emergency situation.
- (f) Interactions with undercover officers or confidential informants.

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# (g) Strip searches.

BWCs shall not be used for the purpose of embarrassment, harassment, or ridicule of any individual or group.

#### 467.5 ACTIVATION OF BWC

Members should activate their BWC during all calls for service and the performance of law enforcement-related functions. Members shall activate their BWC and record the entire interaction when there is reasonable suspicion or probable cause to believe that the person contacted has committed or is committing an offense (ORS 133.741). Members are not required to activate their BWC during casual or informal contacts with members of the public that are not part of or related to law enforcement functions. However, members should activate their BWC any time a contact with an individual becomes hostile or adversarial.

Unless otherwise authorized by this policy or approved by a supervisor, BWCs should remain activated until the call for service or law enforcement-related function has concluded. A member may cease recording if they are simply waiting for a tow truck or a family member to arrive, or in other similar situations.

At no time is a member expected to jeopardize their safety to activate their BWC. However, the BWC should be activated as soon as reasonably practicable in required situations.

If a member attempts to activate their BWC but the BWC fails to record an event, the member should notify their supervisor as soon as practicable.

## 467.5.1 NOTICE OF RECORDING

Unless otherwise approved based on unique circumstances, a member should wear the BWC in a manner that is conspicuous and shall answer truthfully if asked whether they are equipped with a BWC or if their BWC is activated.

As soon as practicable, members should verbally notify individuals that they are being recorded using a BWC. The notice should be captured on the recording or narrated by the member.

### 467.5.2 PRIVACY CONSIDERATIONS

Members should remain sensitive to the dignity of individuals being recorded and should exercise sound discretion with respect to privacy concerns.

When responding to a place where individuals have an expectation of privacy (e.g., private residences, medical or mental health facilities, restrooms) or to a sensitive situation (e.g., individuals partially or fully unclothed), members are permitted to mute or deactivate their BWC if it reasonably appears that the privacy concern outweighs any legitimate department interest in recording the event. Members may also mute or deactivate their BWC:

- (a) To protect the privacy of a victim or witness.
- (b) When an individual wishes to provide information anonymously.
- (c) To avoid recording a confidential informant or undercover officer.

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- (d) When discussing case tactics or strategy.
- (e) During private conversations with other members or emergency responders.

Members should choose to mute rather than deactivate BWCs when practicable. Deactivation should only be used when muting the BWC will not accomplish the level of privacy necessary for the situation.

Before muting or deactivating their BWC, the member should verbally narrate the reason on the recording. As soon as possible once the privacy concern is no longer an issue, or when circumstances change so that the privacy concern no longer outweighs the department's interest in recording the event (e.g., the individual becomes combative, the conversation ends), the member should unmute or reactivate their BWC and verbally note that recording has resumed.

### 467.5.3 LIVESTREAMING

Livestreaming enables authorized individuals to remotely view the audio and video captured by a member's BWC in real time. Only supervisors and dispatchers approved by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall have access to livestreaming capabilities.

Livestreaming should only be activated:

- (a) For purposes of member safety when the member is not responding to their radio or there is some other indication of distress.
- (b) To assist with situational awareness or tactical decisions during a significant incident.
- (c) When requested by the member.

### 467.5.4 DOCUMENTATION

Members are encouraged to provide narration while using a BWC when it would be useful to provide context or clarification of the events being recorded. However, the use of a BWC is not a replacement for written reports and should not be referred to in a written report in place of detailing the event.

Every report prepared by a member who is issued a BWC should state "BWC available" or "BWC unavailable," as applicable, and should document:

- (a) To the extent practicable and relevant, the identity of individuals appearing in the BWC media.
- (b) An explanation of why BWC media is unavailable including any malfunction, damage, or battery issue that resulted in the failure of the BWC to capture all or part of the event.
- (c) Any exigency or other circumstances that prevented the member from immediately activating the recording at the beginning of the event.
- (d) Any period of the event in which the member deactivated or muted their BWC and the reason for such action.
- (e) If livestreaming was activated during the event, the reason for livestreaming and the members who communicated or participated in the event through BWC livestreaming.

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#### 467.6 UPLOADING BWC MEDIA

Unless otherwise authorized by a supervisor, all media from a member's BWC should be properly uploaded and tagged before the end of their shift. BWC media related to a serious or high-profile event (e.g., search for a missing child, active shooter situation) should be uploaded and tagged as soon as practicable upon returning to the Department.

Following an officer involved shooting or death or other event deemed necessary, a supervisor should take possession of the BWC for each member present and upload and tag the BWC media.

#### 467.6.1 TAGGING BWC MEDIA

Members should tag all media captured by their BWC with their name and/or identification number, the case or incident number, and the event type. BWC media should be tagged upon uploading or, if capabilities permit tagging in the field, as close to the time of the event as possible. If more than one event type applies to BWC media, it should be tagged with each event type. If BWC media can only be tagged with a single event type, the media should be tagged using the event type with the longest retention period.

BWC media depicting sensitive circumstances or events should be tagged as restricted. BWC media should be flagged for supervisor review when it pertains to a significant event such as:

- (a) An incident that is the basis of a formal or informal complaint or is likely to result in a complaint.
- (b) When a member has sustained a serious injury or a line-of-duty death has occurred.
- (c) When a firearm discharge or use of force incident has occurred.
- (d) An event that has attracted or is likely to attract significant media attention.

Supervisors should conduct audits at regular intervals to confirm BWC media is being properly uploaded and tagged by their subordinates.

### **467.7 BWC MEDIA**

All BWC media is the sole property of the Department. Members shall have no expectation of privacy or ownership interest in the content of BWC media.

All BWC media shall be stored and transferred in a manner that is physically and digitally secure with appropriate safeguards to prevent unauthorized modification, use, release, or transfer. Contracts with any third-party vendors for the storage of BWC media shall include provisions specifying that all BWC media remains the property of the Department and shall not be used by the vendor for any purpose without explicit approval of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee (ORS 133.741).

Members shall not alter, copy, delete, release, or permit access to BWC media other than as permitted in this policy without the express consent of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

BWC media systems should not be accessed using personal devices unless authorized by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

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### 467.7.1 ACCESS AND USE OF BWC MEDIA

BWC media systems shall only be accessed by authorized members using the member's own login credentials and in accordance with the Information Technology Use Policy.

BWC media shall only be accessed and viewed for legitimate department-related purposes in accordance with the following guidelines:

- (a) BWC media tagged as restricted should only be accessible by those designated by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.
- (b) Members may review their own BWC media for department-related purposes. Members should document in their report if they reviewed BWC media before completing the report.
- (c) Investigators may review BWC media pertaining to their assigned cases.
- (d) A member testifying regarding a department-related event may review the pertinent BWC media before testifying.
- (e) Supervisors are permitted to access and view BWC media of their subordinates.
  - Supervisors should review BWC media that is tagged as a significant event or that the supervisor is aware pertains to a significant event.
  - 2. Supervisors should conduct documented reviews of their subordinate's BWC media at least annually to evaluate the member's performance, verify compliance with department procedures, and determine the need for additional training. The review should include a variety of event types when possible. Supervisors should review BWC media with the recording member when it would be beneficial to provide guidance or to conduct one-on-one informal training for the member.
  - 3. Supervisors should conduct periodic reviews of a sample of each subordinate's BWC media to evaluate BWC use and ensure compliance with this policy.
- (f) The Training Sergeant is permitted to access and view BWC media for training purposes.
  - The Training Sergeant should conduct a quarterly review of a random sampling
    of BWC media to evaluate department performance and effectiveness and to
    identify specific areas where additional training or changes to protocols would
    be beneficial. Training Committee members may review BWC media as part of
    their review to identify training needs.
  - 2. The Training Sergeant may use BWC media for training purposes with the approval of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. The Training Sergeant should use caution to avoid embarrassing or singling out a member and, to the extent practicable, should seek consent from the members appearing in the BWC media before its use for training. When practicable, sensitive issues depicted in BWC media should be redacted before being used for training.
- (g) The Records Clerk may access BWC media when necessary to conduct department-related duties.

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- (h) The BWC coordinator may access BWC media and the BWC media system as needed to ensure the system is functioning properly, provide troubleshooting assistance, conduct audits, and fulfill other responsibilities related to their role.
- (i) No member may use facial recognition or other biometric matching technology to analyze BWC media (ORS 133.741).

### 467.7.2 PUBLIC ACCESS

Unless disclosure is required by law or a court order, BWC media should not be released to the public if it unreasonably violates a person's privacy or sense of dignity or depicts the interior of:

- (a) A private residence.
- (b) A facility that offers health care, mental health or substance abuse treatment, or social services.
- (c) A school building.
- (d) Any other building in which public access is restricted or which implicates heightened security concerns.

Requests for the release of BWC media shall be processed in accordance with the Records Maintenance and Release Policy. The Records Clerk should review BWC media before public release.

### 467.8 RETENTION OF BWC MEDIA

Non-evidentiary BWC media should be retained in accordance with state records retention laws but in no event for a period less than 180 days or more than 30 months (ORS 133.741).

Unless circumstances justify continued retention, BWC media should be permanently deleted upon the expiration of the retention period in a way that it cannot be retrieved. BWC media shall not otherwise be deleted by any person without the authorization of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

# 467.8.1 EVIDENTIARY BWC MEDIA

BWC media relevant to a criminal prosecution should be exported from the BWC media system and securely transferred to digital evidence storage according to established department procedures. Evidentiary BWC media is subject to the same laws, policies, and procedures as all other evidence, including chain of custody, accessibility, and retention periods (see the Property and Evidence Policy).

### 467.9 TRAINING

The BWC coordinator should ensure that each member issued a BWC receives initial training before use, and periodic refresher training thereafter. Training should include:

- (a) Proper use of the BWC device and accessories.
- (b) When BWC activation is required, permitted, and prohibited.
- (c) How to respond to an individual's request to stop recording.

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- (d) Proper use of the BWC media systems, including uploading and tagging procedures.
- (e) Security procedures for BWC media, including appropriate access and use.

Members who are not issued a BWC but who have access to BWC media systems shall receive training on the BWC media system, including appropriate access, use, and security procedures.

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# **Traffic Function and Responsibility**

# **500.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

The ultimate goal of traffic law enforcement is to reduce traffic collisions. This may be achieved through the application of such techniques as geographic/temporal assignment of personnel and equipment and the establishment of preventive patrols to deal with specific categories of unlawful driving behavior. Traffic enforcement techniques are based on accident data, enforcement activity records, traffic volume, and traffic conditions. This department provides enforcement efforts toward violations, not only in proportion to the frequency of their occurrence in accident situations, but also in terms of traffic-related needs.

### 500.2 TRAFFIC OFFICER DEPLOYMENT

Several factors are considered in the development of deployment schedules for officers of the Sweet Home Police Department. Information provided by the Department of Motor Vehicles and Oregon Department of Transportation is a valuable resource for traffic accident occurrences and therefore officer deployment. Some of the factors for analysis include:

- Location
- Time
- Day
- Violation factors

All officers assigned to patrol or traffic enforcement functions will emphasize enforcement of accident causing violations during high accident hours and at locations of occurrence. All officers will take directed enforcement action on request, and random enforcement action when appropriate against violators as a matter of routine. All officers shall maintain high visibility while working general enforcement, especially at high accident locations.

Other factors to be considered for deployment are citizen requests, construction zones or special events.

## **500.3 ENFORCEMENT**

Enforcement actions are commensurate with applicable laws and take into account the degree and severity of the violation committed. This department does not establish ticket quotas and the number of arrests or citations issued by any officer shall not be used as the sole criterion for evaluating an officer's overall performance. The visibility and quality of an officer's work effort will be commensurate with the philosophy of this policy. Officers attempting to enforce traffic laws shall be in Sweet Home Police Department uniform or shall conspicuously display an official identification card showing the officer's lawful authority (ORS 810.400). Several methods are effective in the reduction of collisions:

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#### 500.3.1 WARNINGS

Warnings or other non-punitive enforcement actions should be considered in each situation and substituted for arrests or citations when circumstances warrant, especially in the case of inadvertent violations.

#### **500.3.2 CITATIONS**

Citations may be issued when an officer believes it is appropriate. It is essential that officers fully explain the rights and requirements imposed on motorists upon issuance of a citation for a traffic violation. Officers should provide the following information at a minimum:

- (a) Explanation of the violation or charge.
- (b) Court appearance procedure including the optional or mandatory appearance by the motorist.
- (c) Notice of whether the motorist can enter a plea and pay the fine by mail or at the court.

Officers at the scene of a traffic accident and, based upon the officer's personal investigation, having reasonable grounds to believe that a person involved in the accident has committed a traffic offense in connection with the accident, may issue the person a citation for that offense (ORS 810.410(4)).

### 500.3.3 PHYSICAL ARREST

Officer may arrest or issue a citation to a person for a traffic crime at any place within the state. Generally, physical arrests are limited to major traffic offenses such as:

- (a) Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants.
- (b) Hit-and-Run.
- (c) Attempting to Elude.
- (d) Reckless Driving with extenuating circumstances.
- (e) Situations where a violator refuses or cannot satisfactorily identify him/herself and therefore cannot be issued a citation.

### 500.4 SUSPENDED OR REVOKED DRIVERS LICENSES

If an officer contacts a traffic violator for driving on a suspended or revoked license, the officer may issue a traffic citation pursuant to ORS 810.410.

Officers should attempt to interview the violator to obtain evidence that the violator knew their license was suspended. Ask if the violator is still living at the address on file with DMV and if not, how long since they moved and why they haven't notified DMV of their new address.

If a computer check of a traffic violator's license status reveals a suspended or revoked drivers license and the traffic violator still has his or her license in possession, the license shall be seized by the officer and the violator may also be cited for Failure to Return a Suspended License if evidence shows they knew they were suspended (ORS 809.500).

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## 500.5 HIGH-VISIBILITY VESTS

The Sweet Home Police Department has provided American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Class II high-visibility vests to increase the visibility of department members who may be exposed to hazards presented by passing traffic, maneuvering or operating vehicles, machinery and equipment (23 CFR 655.601; OAR 437-002-0134).

Although intended primarily for use while performing traffic related assignments, high-visibility vests should be worn at any time increased visibility would improve the safety or efficiency of the member.

### 500.5.1 REQUIRED USE

Except when working in a potentially adversarial or confrontational role, such as during vehicle stops, high-visibility vests should be worn at any time it is anticipated that an employee will be exposed to the hazards of approaching traffic or construction and recovery equipment. Examples of when high-visibility vests should be worn include traffic control duties, accident investigations, lane closures and while at disaster scenes, or anytime high visibility is desirable. When emergency conditions preclude the immediate donning of the vest, [officers/deputies] should retrieve and wear the vest as soon as conditions reasonably permit. Use of the vests shall also be mandatory when directed by a supervisor.

Vests may be used any time a plainclothes officer might benefit from being readily identified as a member of law enforcement.

#### 500.5.2 CARE AND STORAGE OF HIGH-VISIBILITY VESTS

Every officer shall be issued a high visibility vest. It is the officer's responsibility to properly care for and store the vest. If lost or damaged the officer shall notify his/her supervisor for a replacement.

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# **Traffic Collision Reporting**

# **502.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

The Sweet Home Police Department prepares Oregon Police Traffic Crash Reports (OPTCR's) in compliance with Oregon Revised Statutes 810.460 relating to reports of traffic accidents to the Oregon Department of Transportation and, as a public service makes copies of OPTCR available to the community with some exceptions.

### **502.2 RESPONSIBILITY**

The Patrol Sergeants will be responsible for proper investigation and reporting of motor vehicle collisions. Certain traffic collisions, based on criteria specified below, will be documented using the Oregon Police Traffic Crash Report. Certain collisions may be documented only with a narrative/blotter report, and some may include the OPTCR as well. The Patrol Sergeants will receive all changes in the state manual and ensure conformity with this policy.

### **502.3 TRAFFIC COLLISION REPORTING**

All traffic collision narratives/blotters, and OPTCR's taken by members of this department shall be forwarded to the Patrol Sergeants for approval. Upon approval the reports will be routed to the Records Division for submission to DMV if required.

### **502.4 REPORTING SITUATIONS**

# 502.4.1 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS INVOLVING CITY VEHICLES

Traffic collision narrative reports shall be taken when a City-owned vehicle (i.e.: SHPW, etc.) is involved in a traffic collision upon a roadway or highway wherein any damage or injury results. A general information blotter report may be taken in lieu of a traffic collision narrative reportat the direction of a supervisor when the collision is minor in nature and does not involve another vehicle. If a vehicle belonging to SHPD is involved in a crash that meets general DMV reporting requirements, and/or involves another person's private property or vehicle, a request for investigation assistance should be made to the Linn County Sheriff's Office or the Oregon State Police, depending on where the crash occurred. If an agency assist is not feasible, the employee's supervisor shall investigate the crash. Whenever there is damage to a vehicle belonging to SHPD, the Chief of Police shall be notified in writing.

Photographs of the collision scene and vehicle damage shall be taken.

# 502.4.2 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS INVOLVING DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

When an employee of this department, either on-duty or off-duty, is involved in a traffic collision within the City limits of Sweet Home resulting in a serious injury or fatality, the Patrol Sergeant may notify the Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT.) The Chief of Police will be notified.

The term serious injury is defined as any injury that results in hospitalization.

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## 502.4.3 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS INVOLVING OTHER CITY EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS

The Patrol Sergeant may request assistance from the MAIT for the investigation of any traffic collision involving any Sweet Home official or employee where a serious injury or fatality has occurred.

# 502.4.4 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Oregon Police Traffic CrashReports shall not be taken for collisions occurring on private property. Traffic collision narrative reports should not be taken for collisions occurring on private property unless there is a death or injury to any person involved, or the officer believes a crime has occurred..

# 502.4.5 TRAFFIC COLLISIONS ON ROADWAYS, HIGHWAYS, OR PREMISES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Traffic collision narrative reports shall be taken, and OPTCR's shall be completed, when a collision occurs on a roadway, highway, or premises open to the public within this jurisdiction in the following cases:

- (a) There is a death, or injury to any person involved in the collision.
- (b) All collisions in which the crime of hit-and-run has occurred as defined by ORS 811.700 and 811.705, if a suspect and/or violator vehicle are identified..
- (c) The accident is initially reported by a garage operator who has received a vehicle involved in a serious accident or exhibiting evidence of having been struck by a bullet (ORS 822.600).

Regardless of other factors, at a minimum, a traffic collision narrative will be completed if any crime has occurred in conjunction with a traffic collision.

A blotter report and an OPTCR shall be completed if the collision meets the criteria for operators to submit an Oregon Traffic Accident and Insurance Report to the DMV, per ORS 811.720, and the above criteria are not met.

If an officer issues a traffic citation as part of a traffic collision investigation, a blotter report shall be completed.

If a collision does not involve any of the above listed circumstances, the responding officer does not need to complete an OPTCR or narrative report. A blotter report or CAD information should be sufficient documentation. However, an officer is not prohibited from completing a narrative report if they believe it is necessary under the circumstances.

# 502.4.6 TOWING VEHICLES INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC COLLISIONS

Towing of a vehicle from a collision scene at the request of the driver, when the vehicle would not otherwise be in need of towing, does not require a collision narrative report under this policy..

# 502.5 NOTIFICATION OF TRAFFIC DIVISION SUPERVISION

In the event of a serious injury or death related traffic collision, the patrol supervisor shall notify MAIT and request they investigate the traffic collision.

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# **Vehicle Towing**

# 510.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance related to vehicle towing. Nothing in this policy shall require a member of this department to tow a vehicle.

# **510.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department will tow vehicles when appropriate and in accordance with the law.

# 510.3 NOTICE PRIOR TO TOW

When circumstances permit, (e.g., when towing a vehicle for parking or registration violations and the vehicle does not constitute a hazard), the Records Division should make a good-faith effort to provide notice that is reasonably calculated to apprise the owner of the vehicle that it is subject to towing and impoundment.

## 510.4 REMOVAL OF VEHICLES DUE TO HAZARD

When a vehicle should be towed because it presents a hazard, the owner or operator should arrange for the towing. Department members may assist by communicating requests through Dispatch to expedite the process.

If the owner or operator is unable to arrange for towing and the vehicle presents a hazard, the vehicle may be towed at the direction of the department member when the vehicle is (ORS 819.120):

- (a) Parked so that any part of the vehicle extends into the paved portion of the travel lane.
- (b) Parked so that any part of the vehicle extends into the highway shoulder or bicycle lane of any freeway.

Vehicles that are not the property of the City should not be driven by department members unless it is necessary to move the vehicle a short distance to eliminate a hazard, prevent the obstruction of a fire hydrant, or comply with posted signs.

## 510.5 ARREST SCENES

Whenever the owner or operator of a vehicle is arrested, the arresting officer should provide reasonable safekeeping by leaving the vehicle secured and lawfully parked at the scene or, when appropriate, by having the vehicle towed, such as when the vehicle presents a traffic hazard or the vehicle would be in jeopardy of theft or damage if left at the scene.

Officers are not required to investigate whether alternatives to towing a vehicle exist after an arrest. However, a vehicle should not be towed if reasonable alternatives exist. When considering whether to leave a vehicle at the scene, officers should take into consideration public safety as well as the reasonable safety of the vehicle and its contents.

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While Oregon law may authorize the impoundment of a vehicle for issues such as driving with a suspended or revoked license (ORS 809.720), impounds are only authorized if, in such cases, leaving the vehicle would create a hazard, obstruction, or a risk of loss.

The following are examples of situations where a vehicle should not be towed:

- The vehicle can be legally parked, left in a reasonably secure and safe location, and is not needed as evidence.
- The vehicle is parked on private property, on which the arrestee or owner is legally residing, or the property owner does not object to the vehicle being parked at that location.
- The arrestee or owner of the vehicle requests that it be released to a person who is present, willing, and able to legally take control of the vehicle.
- The vehicle is legally parked and the arrestee or owner requests that it be left at the scene. In such cases the requester should be informed that the Department will not be responsible for theft or damages.

# 510.6 VEHICLES RELATED TO CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Officers should tow vehicles that are needed for the furtherance of an investigation or prosecution of a case, or that are otherwise appropriate for seizure as evidence (ORS 133.535).

Officers should make reasonable efforts to return a recovered stolen vehicle to its owner rather than have it towed, as long as the vehicle is not needed for evidence.

# 510.6.1 STATE REQUIREMENTS

The impounding officer should take reasonable steps to protect against loss or damage to impounded vehicles and any contents that may have been taken as evidence (ORS 133.537).

If a recovered stolen vehicle is towed, the officer shall share the owner's contact information, including the person's home address and telephone number, with the towing service that assumes control of the vehicle (ORS 98.857).

## 510.7 RECORDS

Records Division members shall ensure that pertinent data regarding a towed vehicle is promptly entered into the appropriate database.

# 510.7.1 VEHICLE STORAGE REPORT

Department members towing a vehicle shall complete a vehicle tow report. The report should be submitted to the Records Division as soon as practicable after the vehicle is towed.

# 510.7.2 NOTICE AFTER TOW

Within 48 hours, excluding weekends and holidays, of a vehicle being towed, it shall be the responsibility of the Records Division to send a notice of tow to all registered owners and others having a recorded interest in the vehicle. Notice shall be sent to all such individuals by certified mail. The notice shall include (ORS 819.180):

- (a) That the vehicle has been taken into custody and towed; the identity of the appropriate towing authority; and the statute, ordinance, or rule under which the vehicle has been taken into custody and towed.
- (b) The location of the vehicle, or the telephone number and address of the authority that will provide that information.
- (c) That the vehicle is subject to towing and storage charges, the amount of charges that have accrued to the date of the notice, and the daily storage charges.
- (d) That the vehicle and its contents are subject to a lien for payment of the towing and storage charges, and that the vehicle and its contents will be sold to cover the charges if the charges are not paid by a date specified by the appropriate authority.
- (e) That the owner, possessor, or person having an interest in the vehicle and its contents is entitled to a prompt hearing to contest the validity of taking the vehicle into custody and towing it, and to contest the reasonableness of the charges for towing and storage if a hearing is requested in a timely manner.
- (f) The time within which a hearing must be requested and the method for requesting a hearing.
- (g) That the vehicle and its contents may be immediately reclaimed by presentation to the appropriate authority of satisfactory proof of ownership or right to possession, and either payment of the towing and storage charges or the deposit of cash security or a bond equal to the charges with the appropriate authority.

### 510.8 TOWING SERVICES

Members shall not show preference among towing services that have been authorized for use by the Department. A rotation or other system established by the Department for tow services should be followed.

### 510.9 VEHICLE INVENTORIES

The contents of all vehicles towed at the request of department members shall be inventoried and listed on the inventory report. When reasonably practicable, photographs may be taken to assist in the inventory.

- (a) An inventory of personal property and the contents of open containers will be conducted throughout the passenger and engine compartments of the vehicle, including but not limited to the glove box, other accessible areas under or within the dashboard area, any pockets in the doors or in the back of the front seat, in any console between the seats, under any floor mats, and under the seats.
- (b) In addition to the passenger and engine compartments as described above, an inventory of personal property and the contents of open containers will also be conducted in any other type of unlocked compartments that are a part of the vehicle, including but not limited to unlocked glove compartments, unlocked vehicle trunks, and unlocked car-top containers.
- (c) Any locked compartments, including but not limited to locked glove compartments, locked vehicle trunks, locked hatchbacks, and locked car-top containers, should be inventoried, provided the keys are available and are to be released with the vehicle

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- to the third-party towing company or an unlocking mechanism for such compartment is available within the vehicle.
- (d) Closed containers located either within the vehicle or any of the vehicle's compartments will not be opened for inventory purposes except for the following: wallets, purses, coin purses, fanny packs, personal organizers, briefcases, or other closed containers designed for carrying money, small valuables, or hazardous materials.

Members should ask the occupants whether the vehicle contains any valuables or hazardous materials. Responses should be noted in the inventory report. If the occupant acknowledges that any closed container contains valuables or a hazardous material, the container shall be opened and inventoried. When practicable and appropriate, such items should be removed from the vehicle and given to the owner or booked into property for safekeeping.

Any cash, jewelry, or other small valuables located during the inventory process will be held for safekeeping, in accordance with the Property and Evidence Policy. A copy of the property receipt should be given to the person in control of the vehicle or, if that person is not present, left in the vehicle.

The tow truck operator will be advised of the vehicle inventory results.

These inventory procedures are for the purpose of protecting the vehicle owner's property, providing for the safety of department members, and protecting the Department against fraudulent claims of lost, stolen, or damaged property.

Towing a vehicle in order to perform an inventory should not be used as a pretext for an evidence search. Nothing in this policy prevents the towing of a vehicle that would occur for reasons independent of any suspicion that the vehicle may contain evidence if it is otherwise justified by law or this policy.

### 510.9.1 OPPORTUNITY TO REMOVE PROPERTY

In the event that the owner, operator, or occupant of a vehicle to be impounded is present at the scene and not subject to arrest, prior to commencing the inventory the officer shall provide notice and opportunity to that person to take readily retrievable personal belongings (e.g., purse, backpack, cigarette pack) from the vehicle that are not considered evidence or contraband.

## 510.10 SECURITY OF VEHICLES AND RETRIEVAL OF PROPERTY

If the search of a vehicle leaves the vehicle or any property contained therein vulnerable to unauthorized entry, theft, or damage, the department member conducting the search shall take such steps as are reasonably necessary to secure or protect the vehicle or property from such hazards.

Unless it would cause an unreasonable delay in towing the vehicle or create an issue of officer safety, reasonable accommodations should be made to permit the owner, operator, or occupant to retrieve small items of value or personal need (e.g., cash, jewelry, cell phone, prescriptions) that are not considered evidence or contraband.

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Members who become aware that a vehicle may have been towed by the Department in error should promptly advise a supervisor. Supervisors should approve, when appropriate, the release of the vehicle without requiring the owner or the owner's agent to request a hearing to contest the tow.

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# **Vehicle Impound Hearings**

# 512.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes a procedure for the requirement to provide vehicle storage or impound hearings.

## 512.2 IMPOUND HEARING

When a vehicle is impounded by any member of the Sweet Home Police Department, a hearing will be conducted upon the request of the registered or legal owner of the vehicle or his/her agent.

## 512.2.1 HEARING PROCEDURES

When requested, a hearing to contest the validity of the impoundment and the reasonableness of the tow will be held as follows (ORS 819.190).

Requests for a hearing on an impounded vehicle shall be submitted in writing to the person designated by the Sweet Home Police Department to receive such requests, within five days of the postmarked date on the notice of impound. The request shall state the grounds upon which the person requesting the hearing believes that the custody and towing of the vehicle was not justified.

An impound hearings officer, designated by this department, will set a time for the hearing within 72 hours of the receipt of the request, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. The hearings officer will provide notice of the hearing to the person requesting the hearing, to the impounding officer and to any owner, lessor or security interest holder shown in the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) records.

An impound hearings officer, designated by this department, shall consider all information provided and shall determine the validity of the impound based on substantial evidence on the record, according to applicable law and department policy. The hearings officer shall then render a decision. The officer who caused the removal of the vehicle may submit an affidavit to the hearings officer in lieu of a personal appearance.

If the hearings officer decides that the impound was valid, he/she shall order the vehicle held in custody until the cost of the hearing and all reasonable towing and storage costs are paid by the party claiming the vehicle.

If the hearings officer decides that the impound was invalid, he/she shall order the immediate release of the vehicle to the owner or person with right of possession. Such person is not liable for towing or storage charges and shall be reimbursed for such charges if they have already been paid. New storage costs will not start to accrue until more than 24 hours after the time the vehicle is officially released (ORS 819.190).

If a decision is made that the impound was invalid and the vehicle has been released with fees having been paid, the receipt for such fees will be forwarded to the appropriate Division Commander for reimbursement by this department to the appropriate party.

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# **Impaired Driving**

# 514.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance to those department members who play a role in the detection and investigation of driving under the influence of intoxicants (DUII).

## 514.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Intoxicants** - Intoxicating liquor, controlled substances, inhalants, cannabis, psilocybin, and any drug as defined in ORS 475.005 that, when used alone or in combination with any other intoxicant, adversely affects an individual's mental or physical faculties to a noticeable or perceptible degree (ORS 801.321).

#### **514.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to the safety of the roadways and the community and will pursue fair but aggressive enforcement of Oregon's impaired driving laws.

### 514.3 INVESTIGATIONS

Officers should not enforce DUII laws to the exclusion of their other duties unless specifically assigned to DUII enforcement. All officers are expected to enforce these laws with due diligence.

The Patrol Sergeant will develop and maintain, in consultation with the prosecuting attorney, report forms with appropriate checklists to assist investigating officers in documenting relevant information and maximizing efficiency. Any DUII investigation will be documented using these forms. Information documented elsewhere on the form does not need to be duplicated in the report narrative. Information that should be documented includes, at a minimum:

- (a) The field sobriety tests (FSTs) administered and the results.
- (b) The officer's observations that indicate impairment on the part of the individual, and the officer's health-related inquiries that may help to identify any serious health concerns (e.g., diabetic shock).
- (c) Sources of additional information (e.g., reporting party, witnesses) and their observations.
- (d) Information about any audio and/or video recording of the individual's driving or subsequent actions.
- (e) The location and time frame of the individual's vehicle operation and how this was determined.
- (f) Any prior related convictions in Oregon or another jurisdiction.

# 514.4 FIELD TESTS

The Patrol Sergeant should identify standardized FSTs and any approved alternate tests for officers to use when investigating violations of DUII laws.

## 514.5 CHEMICAL TESTS

A person implies consent under Oregon law to a chemical test or tests, and to providing the associated chemical sample, under any of the following (ORS 813.100):

- (a) The arresting officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person was DUII.
- (b) The person is arrested for DUII and takes a breath test that discloses a blood alcohol content of less than 0.08 percent (ORS 813.131).
- (c) The person is arrested for DUII and was involved in an accident resulting in injury or property damage (ORS 813.131).
- (d) The person is receiving medical care at a health care facility immediately after a motor vehicle accident and the arresting officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person was DUII.

If a person withdraws this implied consent, or is unable to withdraw consent (e.g., the person is unconscious), the officer should consider implied consent revoked and proceed as though the person has refused to provide a chemical sample.

### 514.5.1 BREATH SAMPLES

The Patrol Sergeant should ensure that all devices used for the collection and analysis of breath samples are properly serviced and tested, and that a record of such service and testing is properly maintained.

Officers obtaining a breath sample should monitor the device for any sign of malfunction. Any anomalies or equipment failures should be noted in the appropriate report and promptly reported to the Patrol Sergeant.

### 514.5.2 BLOOD SAMPLES

Only persons authorized by law to draw blood shall collect blood samples (ORS 813.160). The blood draw should be witnessed by the assigned officer. No officer, even if properly certified, should perform this task.

Officers should inform an arrestee that if the arrestee chooses to provide a blood sample, a separate sample can be collected for alternate testing. Unless medical personnel object, two samples should be collected and retained as evidence, so long as only one puncture is required.

The blood sample shall be packaged, marked, handled, stored, and transported as required by the testing facility.

If an arrestee cannot submit to a blood test because the arrestee has a bleeding disorder or has taken medication that inhibits coagulation, the arrestee shall not be required to take a blood test. Such inability to take a blood test should not be considered a refusal. However, that arrestee may be required to complete another available and viable test.

### 514.5.3 URINE SAMPLES

If a urine test will be performed, the arrestee should be promptly transported to the appropriate testing site. The officer shall follow any directions accompanying the urine evidence collection kit.

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The sample shall be packaged, marked, handled, stored and transported as required by the testing facility.

#### 514.5.4 STATUTORY NOTIFICATIONS

Prior to administering any tests, the person shall be informed of the rights and consequences for DUII and refusals of testing (ORS 813.100; ORS 813.130; ORS 813.135).

## 514.5.5 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR URINE SAMPLES

An officer may not request that a person submit to a urine test unless the officer is certified by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training as having completed the required training in the recognition of drug impaired driving. The person providing the urine sample shall be given privacy and may not be observed by the officer when providing the sample (ORS 813.131).

### 514.5.6 ADDITIONAL TESTING

An officer requesting that a person submit to a chemical test shall also provide the person, upon request, with a reasonable opportunity to have a qualified medical professional of their choosing administer an additional chemical test. The test may be of the person's breath or blood if alcohol concentration is an issue or of the person's blood or urine if the presence of cannabis, psilocybin, a controlled substance, or an inhalant in the person's body is an issue (ORS 813.150).

## 514.6 REFUSALS

When an arrestee refuses to provide a chemical sample, officers should:

- (a) Advise the arrestee of the requirement to provide a sample (ORS 813.100; ORS 813.130; ORS 813.131; ORS 813.135).
- (b) Audio- and/or video-record the admonishment and the response when it is legal and practicable.
- (c) Document the refusal in the appropriate report.

# 514.6.1 STATUTORY NOTIFICATIONS UPON REFUSAL

Upon refusal to submit to a chemical test as required by law, officers shall personally serve the written notice of intent to suspend upon the person and take possession of any state-issued license to operate a motor vehicle that is held by that person (ORS 813.100).

# 514.6.2 BLOOD SAMPLE WITHOUT CONSENT

A blood sample may be obtained from a person who refuses a chemical test when any of the following conditions exist:

- (a) A search warrant has been obtained (ORS 813.100).
- (b) The officer can articulate that exigent circumstances exist. Exigency does not exist solely because of the short time period associated with the natural dissipation of alcohol or controlled or prohibited substances in the person's bloodstream. Exigency can be established by the existence of special facts, such as a lengthy time delay in

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obtaining a blood sample due to an accident investigation or medical treatment of the person.

### 514.6.3 FORCED BLOOD SAMPLE

If an arrestee indicates by word or action that he/she will physically resist a blood draw, the officer should request a supervisor to respond.

The responding supervisor should:

- (a) Evaluate whether using force to obtain a blood sample is appropriate under the circumstances.
- (b) Ensure that all attempts to obtain a blood sample through force cease if the person agrees to, and completes, a viable form of testing in a timely manner.
- (c) Advise the person of his/her duty to provide a sample (even if this advisement was previously done by another officer) and attempt to persuade the individual to submit to such a sample without physical resistance.
  - This dialogue should be recorded on audio and/or video when legal and practicable.
- (d) Ensure that the blood sample is taken in a medically approved manner.
- (e) Ensure the forced blood draw is recorded on audio and/or video when practicable.
- (f) Monitor and ensure that the type and level of force applied appears reasonable under the circumstances:
  - 1. Unless otherwise provided in a warrant, force should generally be limited to handcuffing or similar restraint methods.
  - 2. In misdemeanor cases, if the arrestee becomes violent or more resistant, no additional force will be used and a refusal should be noted in the report.
  - 3. In felony cases, force that reasonably appears necessary to overcome the resistance to the blood draw may be permitted.
- (g) Ensure the use of force and methods used to accomplish the collection of the blood sample are documented in the related report.

If a supervisor is unavailable, officers are expected to use sound judgment and perform as a responding supervisor, as set forth above.

# 514.7 ARREST AND INVESTIGATION

## 514.7.1 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

If a person refuses to submit to a chemical test or if a test discloses that the person had a prohibited alcohol concentration in their blood, the investigating officer shall cause the following items to be

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forwarded to the Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division of the Department of Transportation (DMV) within 10 days of the arrest (ORS 813.100; OAR 735-090-0040):

- The original and a copy of the completed Implied Consent Combined Report (ORS 813.120)
- Any confiscated license or permit belonging to the person and the notice of intent to suspend

An officer confiscating a person's license pursuant to state DUII laws shall provide the person with a temporary driving permit unless (ORS 813.100; ORS 813.110):

- The driving privileges of the person were suspended, revoked, or canceled at the time the person was arrested.
- The person whose license was confiscated was operating on an invalid license.
- The person was not entitled to driving privileges at the time of the arrest for any other reason.
- The person holds a license or permit granting driving privileges that was issued by another state or jurisdiction and that is not confiscated.

# 514.7.2 OFFENSE FOR REFUSAL

If a person refuses to submit to a breath or urine test, the arresting officer may charge the person with a separate offense (ORS 813.095).

# 514.8 RECORDS DIVISION RESPONSIBILITIES

The Records Clerk will ensure that all case-related records are transmitted according to current records procedures and as required by the prosecuting attorney's office.

## 514.9 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

The Records Clerk will ensure that all appropriate reports and documents related to administrative license suspensions are reviewed and forwarded to the DMV.

Any officer who receives notice of required attendance to an administrative license suspension hearing should promptly notify the prosecuting attorney.

An officer called to testify at an administrative hearing should document the hearing date and the DMV file number in a supplemental report. Specific details of the hearing generally should not be included in the report unless errors, additional evidence or witnesses are identified.

# **514.10 TRAINING**

The Training Sergeant should ensure that officers participating in the enforcement of DUII laws receive regular training. Training should include, at minimum, current laws on impaired driving, investigative techniques, and rules of evidence pertaining to DUII investigations. The Training Sergeant should confer with the prosecuting attorney's office and update training topics as needed.

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# **Traffic Citations**

# 516.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy outlines the responsibility for traffic citations, the procedure for dismissal, correction, and voiding of traffic citations.

## 516.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Patrol Sergeant shall be responsible for the development and design of all Department traffic citations in compliance with state law and the Judicial Council.

The Patrol Sergeant shall be responsible for the supply and accounting of all traffic citations issued to employees of this department.

### 516.3 DISMISSAL OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Employees of this department do not have the authority to dismiss a citation once it has been issued. Only the court has the authority to dismiss a citation that has been issued.

If an officer determines that a traffic citation should be dismissed in the interest of justice or where prosecution is deemed inappropriate, the officer shall request in writing, via email, that the court to dismiss the citation. A copy of any dismissal request shall also be sent to the Patrol Sergeant.

# 516.4 VOIDING TRAFFIC CITATIONS

Voiding a traffic citation may occur when a traffic citation has not been completed or where it is completed, but not issued. All copies of the citation shall be presented to the Dispatcher for data entry. The citation and copies shall then be forwarded to the Patrol Sergeant and all copies will be maintained as a departmental record.

### 516.5 CORRECTION OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS

When a traffic citation is issued and in need of correction, the officer issuing the citation shall submit the citation with an attached memorandum requesting the specific correction. The citation and letter shall then be forwarded via the normal citation routing procedure.

#### 516.6 DISPOSITION OF TRAFFIC CITATIONS

The court and file copies of all traffic citations issued by members of this department shall be given to the Dispatcher for data entry and then forwarded to the Patrol Sergeant for review and later dissemination.

Upon separation from employment with the this department, all employees issued traffic citations books shall return any unused citations to the Patrol Sergeant.

### 516.7 CITIZEN ISSUED CITATIONS

When citizens request to sign a traffic citation against another, the Officer will contact the complainant, in person, and obtain the following:

(a) Complainant's name, DOB, address, phone number,

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- (b) Description of the incident (there must be a violation of the vehicle code or a citation cannot be issued),
- (c) Time/ Date and location of incident,
- (d) Suspect (driver) description. (If the complainant is not able to provide a description or identify the subject a citation may not be issued
- (e) Vehicle description. Make, model, color, etc.

The Officer will then attempt to locate and identify the suspect and the suspect vehicle. If located, contact and obtain a statement about the incident. (If the subject and vehicle cannot be located or identified, a citation cannot be issued)

The Officer will fill out the Traffic citation and return to the location of the complainant and have him/her sign in place of "1st Officer Signature.

The Officer will then relocate the suspect, sign as the 2nd Officer and document the issuing date on the citation.

The Officer will document in the Blotter the basics of the incident including the Time and Date issued. The Officer will print out the report, attach blue sheet and citation and send to the Municipal court.

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# **Disabled Vehicles**

# **520.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

Public safety, and the Sweet Home Police Department's commitment to service, requires that officers place a high priority on assisting disabled motorists. This policy provides guidelines for achieving that objective.

### 520.2 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITY

When an on-duty officer observes a disabled vehicle on the roadway, the officer should make a reasonable effort to provide assistance. If that officer is assigned to a call of higher priority, the dispatcher should be advised of the location of the disabled vehicle and the need for assistance. The dispatcher should then assign another available officer to respond for assistance as soon as practical.

### **520.3 EXTENT OF ASSISTANCE**

In most cases, a disabled motorist will require assistance. After arrangements for assistance are made, continued involvement by department personnel will be contingent on the time of day, the location, the availability of departmental resources, and the vulnerability of the disabled motorist.

# 520.3.1 MECHANICAL REPAIRS

Department personnel shall not make mechanical repairs to a disabled vehicle.

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# **48-Hour Parking Violations**

# **524.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

This policy provides procedures for the marking, recording, and storage of vehicles parked in violation of the ORS or Sweet Home City Ordinance regulating 48-hour parking violations and abandoned vehicles under the authority of ORS 819.110.

## 524.2 MARKING/TOWING OF ABANDONED/DISABLED VEHICLES

Whenever a complaint of a abandoned or disabled vehicle upon a public highway or public rightof-way is received by this agency or is Officer generated, a "VIOLATION CITY ORD VEHICLE" complaint will be initiated and the dispatcher will obtain all pertinent information to process the complaint.

The officer responding shall verify that the vehicle is in violation of City Ordinance or State Statute. If so, the officer shall:

- 1. Photograph the vehicle to show its current condition and location.
- 2. Fill out and sign a Vehicle Violation Notice. The notice shall indicate that the vehicle will be towed if not removed by 8 AM on the next business day following a minimum 48 hour period from posting.
- 3. Post the Vehicle Violation Notice prominently on the glass of the vehicle. If no glass is available, then post the Vehicle Notice in a conspicuous location on the vehicle.
- 4. Document in the blotter sections of a CARD report the reason(s) for the vehicle posting.

If on the Officer's first working day after the end of the posting period, the vehicle has not been moved the Officer shall:

- Officer will fill out a Vehicle Tow form using the information provided by LEDS/DMV.
- Have Dispatch request the next tow company on the list. The tow companies will be required to stop by the police department as soon as they have obtained the vehicle. We will provide them a copy of the Tow Notice form, which will include the registered owner and lien holder information. The dispatcher will, at that time, enter the vehicle into LEDS as impounded and also update the blotter with the date, time and location to where the vehicle was towed.
- Officer will place the completed Vehicle Tow form in the auto-file located within dispatch. Email records advising the vehicle was towed as an abandoned vehicle and the Vehicle Tow form is in the above mentioned file location.
- Officer will email the photographs and the vehicle year, model, VIN number and any
  appropriate comments that the photo might not indicate (ie "no engine," etc.) to the
  Department authorized and licensed State Vehicle Appraiser. The appraiser will make
  an appraisal based upon the photographs and the vehicle information and will send
  you a return email containing his appraised value. Print off this email and add it to
  the case file. Store a copy of any photographs on the network under the appropriate
  case number.

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Records is to write the case number in the lower left corner of a department envelope and mail, via regular First Class, the Vehicle Tow form within 48 hours, excluding holidays, Saturdays, and Sundays, to both the registered owner and any lien holder.

If the City Code Enforcement Department initiates the posting of a vehicle, they will follow the same basic steps listed in 1-4 above. If they discover the vehicle has not been moved, they will advise us, via email, that all the above-required steps have been taken and will provide us with a copy of the photographs of the vehicle. Once assured that proper steps have been taken the Dispatcher will then pull a complaint for VIOLATION CITY ORD VEHICLE," store a copy of the photographs on the network under the appropriate case number and proceed with steps A and D above.

### 524.2.1 VEHICLE IMPOUND

Any vehicle in violation shall be impounded by the authorized towing service and an Impounded Vehicle Report shall be completed by the authorizing the towing of the vehicle.

The Impounded Vehicle Report form shall be submitted to the immediately following the towing of the vehicle. It shall be the responsibility of the dispatcher to enter the vehicle into LEDS.

Within 48 hours of the storage of any such vehicle, excluding weekends and holidays, it shall be the responsibility of the to determine the names and addresses of any individuals having an interest in the vehicle through DMV. Records personnel shall mail a copy of the approved Vehicle Impound Report form along with information describing the location of the vehicle, the procedures for its release, and the owner's right to a hearing, to the legal and registered owners of the stored vehicle within 48 hours after it has been impounded, unless the vehicle has been previously released (ORS 819.180(1)).

Vehicles Impounded under this section may be subject to hearing procedures outlined in the Vehicle Towing Policy.

# 524.3 VEHICLE DISPOSAL

If, after 30 days from the custody, the vehicle remains unclaimed and the towing and storage fees have not been paid, and if no request for a vehicle impound hearing has been made, the Department may provide the lien holder storing the vehicle with authorization to dispose of any vehicle which has been appraised at a value of \$500 or less.

If the vehicle is appraised at more than \$500, the vehicle and contents shall be sold at public auction (ORS 819.210).

# 524.3.1 APPRAISAL

Vehicles disposed of under this policy must be appraised by an appraiser certified by the Department of Transportation (ORS 819.215).

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#### **524.4 IMPOUND HEARING**

A hearing is timely requested to prevent the removal of the vehicle until after a hearing if it is requested before the vehicle is removed and a hearing is timely requested to object to the removal and custody of the vehicle and the charges associated therewith if it is submitted to the City of Sweet Home as the law specifies not more than five days from the mailing of the notice or affixing the notice to the vehicle. The five-day period does not include holidays, Saturday or Sundays.

## 524.4.1 HEARING PRIOR TO IMPOUNDMENT

If an interested person requests a hearing prior to the impoundment of the vehicle, the vehicle will not be towed until the hearing is held, unless it constitutes a hazard.

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# **Investigation and Prosecution**

# 600.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to set guidelines and requirements pertaining to the handling and disposition of criminal investigations.

## 600.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to investigate crimes thoroughly and with due diligence, and to evaluate and prepare criminal cases for appropriate clearance or submission to a prosecutor.

### 600.3 INITIAL INVESTIGATION

### 600.3.1 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

An officer responsible for an initial investigation shall complete no less than the following:

- (a) Make a preliminary determination of whether a crime has been committed by completing, at a minimum:
  - 1. An initial statement from any witnesses or complainants.
  - 2. A cursory examination for evidence.
- (b) If information indicates a crime has occurred, the officer shall:
  - 1. Preserve the scene and any evidence as required to complete the initial and follow-up investigation.
  - 2. Determine if additional investigative resources (e.g., investigators or scene processing) are necessary and request assistance as required.
  - 3. If assistance is warranted, or if the incident is not routine, notify a supervisor or the Patrol Sergeant.
  - 4. Make reasonable attempts to locate, identify and interview all available victims, complainants, witnesses and suspects.
  - 5. Collect any evidence.
  - 6. Take any appropriate law enforcement action.
  - 7. Complete and submit the appropriate reports and documentation.
- (c) If the preliminary determination is that no crime occurred, determine what other action may be necessary, what other resources may be available, and advise the informant or complainant of this information.

#### 600.3.2 CIVILIAN MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

A civilian member assigned to any preliminary investigation is responsible for all investigative steps, except making any attempt to locate, contact or interview a suspect face-to-face or take any enforcement action. Should an initial investigation indicate that those steps are required, the assistance of an officer shall be requested.

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## 600.4 COLLECTION OR MAINTENANCE OF SPECIFIC INFORMATION

The collection or maintenance of information about the political, religious or social views, associations or activities of any individual, group, association, organization, corporation, business or partnership shall occur only when the information directly relates to a criminal investigation and there are reasonable grounds to suspect the subject of the information is or may be involved in criminal conduct (ORS 181A.250).

## 600.5 CUSTODIAL INTERROGATION REQUIREMENTS

Suspects who are in custody and subjected to an interrogation shall be given the *Miranda* warning, unless an exception applies.

### 600.5.1 AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDINGS

Generally, except where circumstances make it impracticable, custodial interviews regarding felony offenses should be electronically recorded. When such custodial interviews are conducted in a law enforcement facility, electronic recording of the interview is mandatory absent good cause not to record if the interview is conducted in connection with an investigation into aggravated murder, as defined in ORS 163.095, or a crime listed in ORS 137.700 or ORS 137.707 (ORS 133.400).

A custodial interview of a person 17 years of age or under involving an investigation into a misdemeanor or a felony or an allegation that the juvenile being interviewed committed an act that would be a misdemeanor or a felony if committed by an adult shall be recorded, absent good cause not to record the interview, if (ORS 133.402):

- (a) The interview is conducted at a courthouse or at any law enforcement agency authorized to detain juvenile offenders; or
- (b) The interview is conducted anywhere else and the officer is wearing a body-worn camera.

If an interviewee expresses an unwillingness to have the custodial interview electronically recorded but agrees to speak to investigators without such recording, the interviewing officer or detective should document the refusal in his/her report and request that the interviewee sign a written statement or provide a recorded statement of his/her refusal to have the interview recorded.

Consideration should also be given to recording a custodial interrogation, or any investigative interview, for any other offense when it is reasonable to believe it would be appropriate and beneficial to the investigation and is otherwise allowed by law (ORS 165.540).

No recording of a custodial interrogation should be destroyed or altered without written authorization from the prosecuting attorney and the Detective Unit supervisor. Copies of recorded interrogations or interviews may be made in the same or a different format as the original recording, provided the copies are true, accurate, and complete and are made only for authorized and legitimate law enforcement purposes. Electronic recording of a custodial interview shall be preserved until the conclusion of the criminal proceeding or youth adjudication proceeding,

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including post-conviction relief and habeas corpus appeals are exhausted, or until the prosecution of the offense is barred by law (ORS 133.400).

Recordings should not take the place of a thorough report and investigative interviews. Written statements from suspects should continue to be obtained when applicable.

### 600.6 DISCONTINUATION OF INVESTIGATIONS

The investigation of a criminal case or efforts to seek prosecution should only be discontinued if one of the following applies:

- (a) All reasonable investigative efforts have been exhausted, no reasonable belief that the person who committed the crime can be identified, and the incident has been documented appropriately.
- (b) The perpetrator of a misdemeanor has been identified and a warning is the most appropriate disposition.
  - 1. In these cases, the investigator shall document that the person was warned and why prosecution was not sought.
  - 2. Warnings shall not be given for felony offenses or other offenses identified in this policy or by law that require an arrest or submission of a case to a prosecutor.
- (c) The case has been submitted to the appropriate prosecutor but no charges have been filed. Further investigation is not reasonable nor has the prosecutor requested further investigation.
- (d) The case has been submitted to the appropriate prosecutor, charges have been filed, and further investigation is not reasonable, warranted or requested, and there is no need to take the suspect into custody.
- (e) Suspects have been arrested, there are no other suspects, and further investigation is either not warranted or requested.
- (f) Investigation has proven that a crime was not committed (see the Sexual Assault Investigations Policy for special considerations in these cases).

The Domestic Violence, Child Abuse, Sexual Assault Investigations and Adult Abuse policies may also require an arrest or submittal of a case to a prosecutor.

## 600.7 COMPUTERS AND DIGITAL EVIDENCE

The collection, preservation, transportation and storage of computers, cell phones and other digital devices may require specialized handling to preserve the value of the related evidence. If it is anticipated that computers or similar equipment will be seized, officers should request that computer forensic examiners assist with seizing computers and related evidence. If a forensic examiner is unavailable, officers should take reasonable steps to prepare for such seizure and use the resources that are available.

### 600.8 INVESTIGATIVE USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA AND INTERNET SOURCES

Use of social media and any other internet source to access information for the purpose of criminal investigation shall comply with applicable laws and policies regarding privacy, civil rights and

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civil liberties. Information gathered via the internet should only be accessed by members while on-duty and for purposes related to the mission of this department. If a member encounters information relevant to a criminal investigation while off-duty or while using his/her own equipment, the member should note the dates, times and locations of the information and report the discovery to his/her supervisor as soon as practicable. The member, or others who have been assigned to do so, should attempt to replicate the finding when on-duty and using department equipment.

Information obtained via the internet should not be archived or stored in any manner other than department-established record keeping systems (see the Records Maintenance and Release and Criminal Organizations policies).

### 600.8.1 ACCESS RESTRICTIONS

Information that can be accessed from any department computer, without the need of an account, password, email address, alias or other identifier (unrestricted websites), may be accessed and used for legitimate investigative purposes without supervisory approval.

Accessing information from any internet source that requires the use or creation of an account, password, email address, alias or other identifier, or the use of nongovernment IP addresses, requires supervisor approval prior to access. The supervisor will review the justification for accessing the information and consult with legal counsel as necessary to identify any policy or legal restrictions. Any such access and the supervisor approval shall be documented in the related investigative report.

Accessing information that requires the use of a third party's account or online identifier requires supervisor approval and the consent of the third party. The consent must be voluntary and shall be documented in the related investigative report.

Information gathered from any internet source should be evaluated for its validity, authenticity, accuracy and reliability. Corroborative evidence should be sought and documented in the related investigative report.

Any information collected in furtherance of an investigation through an internet source should be documented in the related report. Documentation should include the source of information and the dates and times that the information was gathered.

### 600.8.2 INTERCEPTING ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Intercepting social media communications in real time may be subject to federal and state wiretap laws. Officers should seek legal counsel before any such interception.

### 600.9 MODIFICATION OF CHARGES FILED

Members are not authorized to recommend to the prosecutor or to any other official of the court that charges on a pending case be amended or dismissed without the authorization of a Division Commander or the Chief of Police. Any authorized request to modify the charges or to recommend dismissal of charges shall be made to the prosecutor.

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### 600.10 INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES

The Investigation Division Commander or the authorized designee is responsible for the development of investigative procedures including:

- (a) Guidance for interacting with persons who have experienced trauma consistent with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) trauma-informed principles adopted by DPSST (ORS 181A.445).
  - Procedures should include interview techniques and considerations to take into account when writing reports based upon interviews with persons who have experienced trauma.

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# **Asset Forfeiture**

### 606.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy describes the authority and procedure for the seizure, forfeiture and liquidation of property associated with designated offenses.

### 606.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Civil Forfeiture** - The following, with certain restrictions, may be subject to civil forfeiture when used for prohibited conduct (ORS 131A.020):

- Containers for controlled substances and related compounds.
- Conveyances, including but not limited to aircraft, vehicles, and vessels used to transport, sell, or conceal controlled substances.
- Proceeds from prohibited conduct or money, deposits, or other things of value used to facilitate prohibited conduct.
- Real property or interest in real property.
- Weapons possessed or used to facilitate prohibited conduct.
- Property used for attempts to commit prohibited conduct, solicitations to commit prohibited conduct, and conspiracies.
- A motor vehicle when the driver is arrested or cited for driving while suspended or revoked under ORS 811.182 or ORS 163.196 and has been convicted of either offense within the past three years (ORS 809.740).

**Criminal Forfeiture** - The following, with certain restrictions, may be subject to criminal forfeiture when used, or intended to be used, for prohibited conduct (ORS 131.558):

- Containers for controlled substances and related compounds.
- Conveyances, including aircraft, vehicles, and vessels used to transport, sell, or conceal controlled substances.
- Proceeds from prohibited conduct or money, deposits, or other things of value used to facilitate prohibited conduct.
- Real property or interest in real property.
- Weapons possessed or used to facilitate prohibited conduct.
- Property used for attempts to commit prohibited conduct, solicitations to commit prohibited conduct, and conspiracies.
- All other personal property that is used or intended to be used to commit or facilitate prohibited conduct.

**Fiscal agent** - The person designated by the Chief of Police to be responsible for securing and maintaining seized assets and distributing any proceeds realized from any forfeiture proceedings.

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This includes any time the Sweet Home Police Department seizes property for forfeiture or when the Sweet Home Police Department is acting as the fiscal agent pursuant to a multi-agency agreement.

**Forfeiture** - The process by which legal ownership of an asset is transferred to a government or other authority.

**Forfeiture reviewer** - The department member assigned by the Chief of Police who is responsible for reviewing all forfeiture cases and for acting as the liaison between the Department and the assigned attorney.

**Prohibited conduct** - In the context of criminal forfeiture, refers to a felony or a Class A misdemeanor for purposes of proceeds, and any crime listed in ORS 131.602 for purposes of instrumentalities (ORS 131.550).

Prohibited conduct in the context of civil forfeiture refers to any of the following (ORS 131A.005):

- Crimes related to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act (specifically, ORS 475.005 through ORS 475.285 and ORS 475.744 through ORS 475.980).
- Crimes involving violation of, or solicitation, attempt, or conspiracy to violate ORS 475C.337, ORS 475C.341, ORS 475C.345, or ORS 475C.349.
- Violation of, or solicitation, attempt, or conspiracy to violate ORS 475C.229.
- Involuntary servitude or compelling prostitution (ORS 163.263; ORS 163.264; ORS 163.266; ORS 167.017).
- Other local crimes allowing for civil forfeiture (ORS 131A.010).

**Seizure** - The act of law enforcement officials taking property, cash, or assets that have been used in connection with or acquired by specified illegal activities.

### 606.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes that appropriately applied forfeiture laws are helpful to enforce the law, deter crime and reduce the economic incentive of crime. However, the potential for revenue should never compromise the effective investigation of criminal offenses, officer safety or any person's due process rights.

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that all members, including those assigned to internal or external law enforcement task force operations, shall comply with all state and federal laws pertaining to forfeiture.

### 606.3 ASSET SEIZURE

Property may be seized for forfeiture as provided in this policy.

### 606.3.1 PROPERTY SUBJECT TO SEIZURE

The following may be seized upon review and approval of a supervisor and in coordination with the forfeiture reviewer:

### (a) Civil forfeiture

- 1. Property that is subject to a court order (ORS 131A.060).
- 2. Property that is not subject to a court order if (ORS 131A.065):
  - (a) There is probable cause to believe that the property is subject to forfeiture and the property may constitutionally be seized without a warrant.
  - (b) The seizure is in the course of a constitutionally valid criminal investigative stop, arrest or search, and there is probable cause to believe that the property is subject to civil forfeiture.
  - (c) The property is directly or indirectly dangerous to the health or safety of any person.
  - (d) An owner consents to the seizure.

### (b) Criminal forfeiture

- (a) Property that is subject to a court order (ORS 131.561).
- (b) Property that is not subject to a court order when (ORS 133.535; ORS 131.561):
  - (a) The property subject to criminal forfeiture is also evidence of a crime or is illegal to possess.
  - (b) There is probable cause to believe that the property is subject to criminal forfeiture.

Whenever practicable, a court order for seizure prior to making a seizure is the preferred method.

A large amount of money standing alone is insufficient to establish the probable cause required to make a seizure.

### 606.3.2 PROPERTY NOT SUBJECT TO SEIZURE

The following property should not be seized for forfeiture:

- (a) Cash and property that does not meet the forfeiture counsel's current minimum forfeiture thresholds
- (b) A conveyance owned by a common carrier or person who did not consent to the offense in question or had no knowledge of the offense (i.e., an "innocent owner") (ORS 131.558)

### 606.4 PROCESSING SEIZED PROPERTY FOR FORFEITURE PROCEEDINGS

When property or cash subject to this policy is seized, the officer making the seizure should ensure compliance with the following:

(a) Complete applicable seizure forms and present the appropriate copy to the person from whom the property is seized. If cash or property is seized from more than one person, a separate copy must be provided to each person, specifying the items seized.

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- When property is seized and no one claims an interest in the property, the officer must leave the copy in the place where the property was found, if it is reasonable to do so.
- (b) Complete and submit a report and original seizure forms within 24 hours of the seizure, if practicable.
- (c) Forward the original seizure forms and related reports to the forfeiture reviewer within two days of seizure.

The officer will book seized property as evidence with the notation in the comment section of the property form, "Seized Subject to Forfeiture." Property seized subject to forfeiture should be booked on a separate property form. No other evidence from the case should be booked on this form.

Photographs should be taken of items seized, particularly cash, jewelry and other valuable items.

Officers who suspect property may be subject to seizure but are not able to seize the property (e.g., the property is located elsewhere, the whereabouts of the property is unknown, it is real estate, bank accounts, non-tangible assets) should document and forward the information in the appropriate report to the forfeiture reviewer.

### 606.5 MAINTAINING SEIZED PROPERTY

The Property and Evidence Section supervisor is responsible for ensuring compliance with the following:

- (a) All property received for forfeiture is reasonably secured and properly stored to prevent waste and preserve its condition.
- (b) All property received for forfeiture is checked to determine if the property has been stolen.
- (c) All property received for forfeiture is retained in the same manner as evidence until forfeiture is finalized or the property is returned to the claimant or the person with an ownership interest.
- (d) Property received for forfeiture is not used unless the forfeiture action has been completed.

### 606.6 FORFEITURE REVIEWER

The Chief of Police will appoint a forfeiture reviewer. Prior to assuming duties, or as soon as practicable thereafter, the forfeiture reviewer should attend a course approved by the Department on asset forfeiture.

The responsibilities of the forfeiture reviewer include:

(a) Remaining familiar with forfeiture laws, particularly ORS 131.550 et seq., ORS 131A.010 et seq., and Or Const, Art XV, § 10 and the forfeiture policies of the forfeiture counsel.

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- (b) Serving as the liaison between the Department and the forfeiture counsel and ensuring prompt legal review of all seizures.
- (c) Making reasonable efforts to obtain annual training that includes best practices in pursuing, seizing, and tracking forfeitures.
- (d) Deciding whether the forfeiture is more appropriately made under state or federal forfeiture laws. The forfeiture reviewer should contact federal authorities when appropriate (see the restrictions in Or Const, Art XV, § 10).
- (e) Ensuring that responsibilities, including the designation of a fiscal agent, are clearly established whenever multiple agencies are cooperating in a forfeiture case.
- (f) Ensuring that seizure forms are available and appropriate for department use. These should include notice forms, a receipt form, and a checklist that provides relevant guidance to officers. A consensual search of a motor vehicle form should be available for field use as well (ORS 131A.025). The forms should be available in languages appropriate for the region and should contain spaces for:
  - 1. Names and contact information for all relevant persons and law enforcement officers involved.
  - 2. Information as to how ownership or other property interests may have been determined (e.g., verbal claims of ownership, titles, public records).
  - A space for the signature of the person from whom cash or property is being seized.
  - 4. A tear-off portion or copy, which should be given to the person from whom cash or property is being seized, that includes the legal authority for the seizure, information regarding the process to contest the seizure, and a detailed description of the items seized (ORS 131.561; ORS 131A.055).
- (g) Ensuring that officers who may be involved in asset forfeiture receive training in the proper use of the seizure forms and the forfeiture process. The training should be developed in consultation with the appropriate legal counsel and may be accomplished through traditional classroom education, electronic media, Daily Training Bulletins (DTBs) or Interim Directive. The training should cover this policy and address any relevant statutory changes and court decisions.
- (h) Reviewing each asset forfeiture case to ensure that:
  - Written documentation of the seizure and the items seized is in the case file.
  - 2. Independent legal review of the circumstances and propriety of the seizure is made in a timely manner.
  - Notice of intent to seek forfeiture has been given in a timely manner to those who hold an interest in the seized property (ORS 131.570; ORS 131A.150). Information on filing notice of intent to forfeit real property with the county can be found in ORS 131.567.
  - 4. Property is promptly released to those entitled to its return.

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- 5. All changes to forfeiture status are forwarded to any supervisor who initiates a forfeiture case.
- 6. Any cash received is deposited with the fiscal agent.
- 7. Assistance with the resolution of ownership claims and the release of property to those entitled is provided.
- 8. Current minimum forfeiture thresholds are communicated appropriately to officers.
- 9. This policy and any related policies are periodically reviewed and updated to reflect current federal and state statutes and case law.
- (i) Ensuring that a written plan is available that enables the Chief of Police to address any extended absence of the forfeiture reviewer, thereby ensuring that contact information for other law enforcement officers and attorneys who may assist in these matters is available.
- (j) Ensuring that the Department disposes of property as provided by law following any forfeiture.
- (k) Disabling hidden compartments in vehicles when appropriate (ORS 131.566; ORS 131A.030).
- Ensuring that forfeiture proceeds are maintained in a separate fund or account subject to appropriate accounting control, with regular reviews or audits of all deposits and expenditures,
- (m) Ensuring that forfeiture reporting and expenditures are completed in the manner prescribed by the law and City financial directives.

### 606.7 DISPOSITION OF FORFEITED PROPERTY

Property forfeited through the criminal forfeiture process shall be disposed of in accordance with ORS 131.588 and ORS 131.594, and any applicable intergovernmental agreement. Forfeited cigarettes shall be destroyed, not sold (ORS 131.604).

Property forfeited through the civil forfeiture process shall be disposed of in accordance with ORS 131A.350 and ORS 131A.360, and any applicable intergovernmental agreement.

Criminally or civilly forfeited grow or lab equipment may be donated to educational institutions (ORS 131.594; ORS 131A.360).

### 606.7.1 DISPOSITION OF RECORDS

Written documentation of each sale, decision to retain, transfer, or other disposition of forfeited property will be maintained and any information requests necessary for the forfeiture counsel's electronic reports shall be addressed (ORS 131.600; ORS 131A.450).

### 606.8 CONSENSUAL SEARCH OF MOTOR VEHICLE

Officers should use a consensual search of a motor vehicle form when requesting a consensual search of a motor vehicle (ORS 131A.025).

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## **Confidential Informants**

### 608.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In many instances, a successful investigation cannot be conducted without the use of confidential informants. To protect the integrity of the Sweet Home Police Department and the officers using informants, it shall be the policy of this department to take appropriate precautions by developing sound informant policies.

### 608.1.1 DEFINITIONS

**INFORMANT** - A person who under the directions of a specific Sweet Home Police Department Officer, and with or without expectation of compensation, furnishes information on criminal activities or, performs a lawful service for the Sweet Home Police Department in its investigation of crime or suspected criminal activity.

**DEFENDANT/INFORMANT** - Same as above, but subject to arrest and prosecution for a criminal offense, or a defendant in a pending criminal case who expects compensation for his or her assistance in either the form of judicial or prosecutive consideration, or money or compensation of any other form.

### 608.2 INFORMANT FILE SYSTEM

The Narcotics Detective or his/her designee shall be responsible for maintaining informant files. A separate file shall be maintained on each confidential informant.

### 608.2.1 FILE SYSTEM PROCEDURE

Each file shall be coded with an assigned informant control number. An informant history shall be prepared to correspond to each informant file and include the following information:

- (a) An informant checklist ensuring that all the required documentation is present
- (b) Informant's confidential number, full name and any aliases
- (c) Date of birth, height, weight, hair color, eye color, race, sex, scars, tattoos or other distinguishing features
- (d) Current home address and telephone numbers
- (e) Current employer(s), position, address(es) and telephone numbers
- (f) Vehicles owned and registration information
- (g) Informant's photograph, fingerprints and criminal history
- (h) Briefs of information provided by the informant and his or her subsequent reliability. If an informant is determined to be unreliable, the informant's file is marked as "Unreliable"
- (i) Name of officer initiating use of the informant

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- (j) Signed informant agreement, initialed by the Detective indicating approval of individual for use as an informant
- (k) Initialed copy of <u>Oregon Revised Statutes</u> 161.275 (Entrapment) indicating the informant has read and understood the statute
- (I) Signature of the informant's true name and any assumed name
- (m) Authorization required as a result of the informant being a corrections client, juvenile or defendant
- (n) A log of all activity and the expenditure of all confidential funds associated with the informant
- (o) Informant's criminal record. A copy of the informant's criminal record will be obtained, and a warrant check will be conducted upon the opening of an informant file. A record of the result of that warrant check, and the criminal record check will be inserted in the file. Every six months, the warrant check will be updated and the result of the update will be placed in the informant's file. This warrant check will be done by the officer operating the informant
- (p) Informant's driving record and status. A copy of the informant's driving record will be obtained upon the opening of an informant file. A copy shall be placed into the file
- (q) Before any informant is to be used as a drug informant by a Sweet Home Police Department Officer, the officer shall conduct or have conducted a check with the records of the Western States Information Network (WSIN) to determine the reliability of the informant. This check will be noted in the informant file
- (r) No informant file shall be opened and no informant shall be utilized until the items specified in have been completed and placed in an informant file packet.

The informant files shall be maintained in a secure area within the Narcotics/Vice Unit. These files shall be used to provide a source of background information about the informant, enable review and evaluation of information given by the informant, and minimize incidents that could be used to question the integrity of detectives or the reliability of the confidential informant.

Access to the informant files shall be restricted to the Chief of Police, Narcotics Detective or their designees.

### 608.3 USE OF INFORMANTS

Before using an individual as a confidential informant, an officer must receive approval from the Narcotics Detective. The officer shall compile sufficient information through a background investigation in order to determine the reliability, credibility and suitability, of the individual, including age, maturity and risk of physical harm.

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### 608.3.1 JUVENILE INFORMANTS

The use of juvenile confidential informants is discouraged due to a number of risks. They will only be used when the investigation is of such a nature as to justify the risks. The District Attorney should be consulted and a parent or legal guardian's written consent shall be secured. Final approval to use a juvenile confidential informant must be obtained from the Chief of Police.

### 608.3.2 UNRELIABLE INFORMANTS

All drug informants that prove to be unreliable will be placed in the Western States Information Network (WSIN) as unreliable. A submitting officer will not remove the informant from the WSIN system without written authorization from the Chief of Police or his designee.

### 608.4 GUIDELINES FOR HANDLING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

All confidential informants are required to sign and abide by the provisions of the departmental Informant Agreement. The officer using the confidential informant shall discuss each of the provisions of the agreement with the confidential informant.

### 608.4.1 RELATIONSHIPS WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

No member of the Sweet Home Police Department shall knowingly maintain a social relationship with a confidential informant while off duty, or otherwise become intimately involved with a confidential informant. Members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall neither solicit nor accept gratuities nor engage in any private business transaction with a confidential informant.

To maintain officer/informant integrity, the following must be adhered to:

- (a) Officers shall not withhold the identity of an informant from their superiors
- (b) Identities of informants shall otherwise be kept confidential
- (c) Criminal activity by informants shall not be condoned
- (d) Informants shall be told they are not acting as police officers, employees or agents of the Sweet Home Police Department, and that they shall not represent themselves as such
- (e) The relationship between officers and informants shall always be ethical and professional
- (f) Social contact shall be avoided unless necessary to conduct an official investigation, and only with prior approval of the Detectives Unit supervisor. Officers shall not meet with informants unless accompanied by at least one additional officer or with prior approval of the Narcotics Detective. All exchanges of confidential funds between officers and informants must be witnessed by at least one other officer
- (g) In all instances when Department funds are paid to informants, a voucher shall be completed in advance, itemizing the expenses. The voucher shall be signed by the informant using either their true name or a pseudonym registered with a signature in the informant packet. The voucher will also include the case number associated

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with the expenditure and a description of the benefit obtained (search warrant, arrest, recovered property, etc.)

### 608.5 NARCOTICS INFORMANT PAYMENT PROCEDURES

The potential payment of large sums of money to any confidential informant must be done in a manner respecting public opinion and scrutiny. Additionally, to maintain a good accounting of such funds requires a strict procedure for disbursements.

### 608.5.1 PAYMENT PROCEDURE

The amount of funds to be paid to any confidential informant will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- The extent of the informant's personal involvement in the case.
- The significance, value or effect on crime.
- The amount of assets seized.
- The quantity of the drugs seized.
- The informant's previous criminal activity.
- The level of risk taken by the informant.

The Narcotics/Vice Officer will discuss the above factors with the Chief of Police.

#### 608.5.2 CASH DISBURSEMENT POLICY

The following establishes a cash disbursement policy for confidential informants. No informant will be told in advance or given an exact amount or percentage for services rendered.

- (a) When both assets and drugs have been seized, the confidential informant shall receive payment based upon overall value and the purchase price of the drugs seized.
- (b) A confidential informant may receive a cash amount for each quantity of drugs seized whether or not assets are also seized.

### 608.5.3 PAYMENT PROCESS

Payments to the informant will be made by the case agent. The payment shall be recorded in the Narcotics Fund ledger, including the case number and date. The Chief of Police must sign transfer amounts over \$200. The Chief of Police and the City Manager's signatures are required for disbursements over \$500.

To complete the transaction with the confidential informant the case agent shall have the confidential informant initial the cash transfer form. The confidential informant will sign the form indicating the amount received, the date, and that the confidential informant is receiving funds in payment for information voluntarily rendered in the case. The Sweet Home Police Department case number shall be recorded on the cash transfer form. A copy of the form will be kept in the confidential informant's file.

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If the payment amount exceeds \$500, a complete written statement of the confidential informant's involvement in the case shall be placed in the confidential informant's file. This statement shall be signed by the confidential informant verifying the statement as a true summary of his/her actions in the case(s).

Each confidential informant receiving a cash payment shall be informed of his or her responsibility to report the cash to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as income.

### 608.5.4 REPORTING OF PAYMENTS

Each confidential informant receiving a cash payment shall be informed of his/her responsibility to report the cash to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) as income. If funds distributed exceed \$600 in any reporting year, the confidential informant should be provided IRS Form 1099 (26 CFR 1.6041-1). If such documentation or reporting may reveal the identity of the confidential informant and by doing so jeopardize any investigation, the safety of peace officers or the safety of the confidential informant (26 CFR 1.6041-3), then IRS Form 1099 should not be issued.

In such cases, the confidential informant shall be provided a letter identifying the amount he/ she must report on a tax return as "other income" and shall be required to provide a signed acknowledgement of receipt of the letter. The completed acknowledgement form and a copy of the letter shall be retained in the confidential informant's file.

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# **Eyewitness Identification**

### 610.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy sets forth guidelines to be used when members of this department employ eyewitness identification techniques.

### 610.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to the policy include:

**Eyewitness identification process** - Any field identification, live lineup or photographic identification.

**Field identification** - A live presentation of a single individual to a witness following the commission of a criminal offense for the purpose of identifying or eliminating the person as the suspect.

**Live lineup** - A live presentation of individuals to a witness for the purpose of identifying or eliminating an individual as the suspect.

**Photographic lineup** - Presentation of photographs to a witness for the purpose of identifying or eliminating an individual as the suspect.

### 610.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department will strive to use eyewitness identification techniques, when appropriate, to enhance the investigative process and will emphasize identifying persons responsible for crime and exonerating the innocent.

### 610.3 INTERPRETIVE SERVICES

Members should make a reasonable effort to arrange for an interpreter before proceeding with eyewitness identification if communication with a witness is impeded due to language or hearing barriers.

Before the interpreter is permitted to discuss any matter with the witness, the investigating member should explain the identification process to the interpreter. Once it is determined that the interpreter comprehends the process and can explain it to the witness, the eyewitness identification may proceed as provided for within this policy.

### 610.4 EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION PROCESS AND FORM

The Detective Unit supervisor shall be responsible for the development and maintenance of an eyewitness identification process for use by members when they are conducting eyewitness identifications.

The process should include appropriate forms or reports that provide:

- (a) The date, time and location of the eyewitness identification procedure.
- (b) The name and identifying information of the witness.

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- (c) The name of the person administering the identification procedure.
- (d) If applicable, the names of all of the individuals present during the identification procedure.
- (e) An instruction to the witness that it is as important to exclude innocent persons as it is to identify a perpetrator.
- (f) An instruction to the witness that the suspect's photograph may or may not be among those presented and that the witness is not obligated to make an identification.
- (g) If the identification process is a photographic or live lineup, an instruction to the witness that the perpetrator may not appear exactly as he/she did on the date of the incident.
- (h) An instruction to the witness that the investigation will continue regardless of whether an identification is made by the witness.
- (i) A signature line where the witness acknowledges that he/she understands the identification procedures and instructions.
- (j) A statement from the witness in the witness's own words describing how certain he/ she is of the identification or non-identification. This statement should be taken at the time of the identification procedure.

The process and related forms should be reviewed at least annually and modified when necessary.

### 610.5 EYEWITNESS IDENTIFICATION

Members are cautioned not to, in any way, influence a witness as to whether any subject or photo presented in a lineup is in any way connected to the case. Members should avoid mentioning that:

- The individual was apprehended near the crime scene.
- The evidence points to the individual as the suspect.
- Other witnesses have identified, or failed to identify, the individual as the suspect.

In order to avoid undue influence, witnesses should view suspects or a lineup individually and outside the presence of other witnesses. Witnesses should be instructed to avoid discussing details of the incident or of the identification process with other witnesses.

Whenever feasible, the eyewitness identification procedure should be audio and/or video recorded and the recording should be retained according to current evidence procedures.

### 610.6 DOCUMENTATION

A thorough description of the eyewitness process and the results of any eyewitness identification should be documented in the case report.

If a photographic lineup is utilized, a copy of the photographic lineup presented to the witness should be included in the case report. In addition, the order in which the photographs were presented to the witness should be documented in the case report.

### 610.7 PHOTOGRAPHIC LINEUP AND LIVE LINEUP CONSIDERATIONS

When practicable, the member presenting the lineup should not be involved in the investigation of the case or know the identity of the suspect. In no case should the member presenting a lineup to a witness know which photograph or person in the lineup is being viewed by the witness. Techniques to achieve this include randomly numbering photographs, shuffling folders or using a computer program to order the persons in the lineup

Individuals in the lineup should reasonably match the description of the perpetrator provided by the witness and should bear similar characteristics to avoid causing any person to unreasonably stand out. In cases involving multiple suspects, a separate lineup should be conducted for each suspect. The suspects should be placed in a different order within each lineup.

The member presenting the lineup to a witness should do so sequentially (i.e., show the witness one person at a time) and not simultaneously. The witness should view all persons in the lineup.

A live lineup should only be used before criminal proceedings have been initiated against the suspect. If there is any question as to whether any criminal proceedings have begun, the investigating member should contact the appropriate prosecuting attorney before proceeding.

### 610.8 FIELD IDENTIFICATION CONSIDERATIONS

Field identifications, also known as field elimination show-ups or one-on-one identifications, may be helpful in certain cases, where exigent circumstances make it impracticable to conduct a photo or live lineup identifications. A field elimination or show-up identification should not be used when independent probable cause exists to arrest a suspect. In such cases a live or photo lineup is the preferred course of action if eyewitness identification is contemplated.

When initiating a field identification, the member should observe the following guidelines:

- (a) Obtain a complete description of the suspect from the witness.
- (b) Assess whether a witness should be included in a field identification process by considering:
  - 1. The length of time the witness observed the suspect.
  - 2. The distance between the witness and the suspect.
  - 3. Whether the witness could view the suspect's face.
  - 4. The quality of the lighting when the suspect was observed by the witness.
  - 5. Whether there were distracting noises or activity during the observation.
  - 6. Any other circumstances affecting the witness's opportunity to observe the suspect.
  - 7. The length of time that has elapsed since the witness observed the suspect.
- (c) If safe and practicable, the person who is the subject of the show-up should not be handcuffed or in a patrol vehicle.

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- (d) When feasible, members should bring the witness to the location of the subject of the show-up, rather than bring the subject of the show-up to the witness.
- (e) The person who is the subject of the show-up should not be shown to the same witness more than once.
- (f) In cases involving multiple suspects, witnesses should only be permitted to view the subjects of the show-up one at a time.
- (g) A person who is the subject of the show-up should not be required to put on clothing worn by the suspect, to speak words uttered by the suspect or to perform other actions mimicking those of the suspect.
- (h) If a witness positively identifies a subject of a show-up as the suspect, members should not conduct any further field identifications with other witnesses for that suspect. In such instances members should document the contact information for any additional witnesses for follow up, if necessary.

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# **Brady Material Disclosure**

### 612.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes guidelines for identifying and releasing potentially exculpatory or impeachment information (so-called "*Brady* information") to a prosecuting attorney.

### 612.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Brady** information -Information known or possessed by the Sweet Home Police Department that is both favorable and material to the current prosecution or defense of a criminal defendant.

### 612.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department will conduct fair and impartial criminal investigations and will provide the prosecution with both incriminating and exculpatory evidence, as well as information that may adversely affect the credibility of a witness. In addition to reporting all evidence of guilt, the Sweet Home Police Department will assist the prosecution by complying with its obligation to disclose information that is both favorable and material to the defense. The Department will identify and disclose to the prosecution potentially exculpatory information, as provided in this policy.

### 612.3 DISCLOSURE OF INVESTIGATIVE INFORMATION

Officers must include in their investigative reports adequate investigative information and reference to all material evidence and facts that are reasonably believed to be either incriminating or exculpatory to any individual in the case. If an officer learns of potentially incriminating or exculpatory information any time after submission of a case, the officer or the handling investigator must prepare and submit a supplemental report documenting such information as soon as practicable. Supplemental reports shall be promptly processed and transmitted to the prosecutor's office.

If information is believed to be privileged or confidential (e.g., informant or attorney-client information, attorney work product), the officer should discuss the matter with a supervisor and/or prosecutor to determine the appropriate manner in which to proceed.

Evidence or facts are considered material if there is a reasonable probability that they would affect the outcome of a criminal proceeding or trial. Determining whether evidence or facts are material often requires legal or even judicial review. If an officer is unsure, the officer should address the issue with a supervisor.

Supervisors who are uncertain about whether evidence or facts are material should address the issue in a written memo to an appropriate prosecutor. A copy of the memo should be retained in the department case file.

### 612.4 DISCLOSURE OF REQUESTED INFORMATION

If a member of this department is a material witness in a criminal case, a person or persons designated by the Chief of Police shall examine the personnel file and/or internal affairs file of the

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officer to determine whether they contain *Brady* information. If *Brady* information is located, the following procedure shall apply:

- (a) In the event that a motion has not already been filed by the criminal defendant or other party, the prosecuting attorney and department member shall be notified of the potential presence of *Brady* material in the member's personnel file.
- (b) The prosecuting attorney or department counsel should be requested to file a motion in order to initiate an in-camera review by the court.
  - 1. If no motion is filed, the supervisor should work with counsel to determine whether the records should be disclosed to the prosecutor.
- (c) The Custodian of Records shall accompany all relevant personnel files during any incamera inspection to address any issues or questions raised by the court.
- (d) If the court determines that there is relevant Brady material contained in the files, only that material ordered released will be copied and released to the parties filing the motion.
  - Prior to the release of any materials pursuant to this process, the Custodian
    of Records should request a protective order from the court limiting the use of
    such materials to the involved case and requiring the return of all copies upon
    completion of the case.
- (e) If a court has determined that relevant *Brady* information is contained in the member's file in any case, the prosecutor should be notified of that fact in all future cases involving that member.

### 612.5 INVESTIGATING BRADY ISSUES

If the Department receives information from any source that a member may have issues of credibility, dishonesty or has been engaged in an act of moral turpitude or criminal conduct, the information shall be investigated and processed in accordance with the Personnel Complaints Policy.

### 612.6 TRAINING

Department personnel should receive periodic training on the requirements of this policy.

### 612.7 BRADY PROCESS

The Chief of Police shall select a member of the Department to coordinate requests for *Brady* information. This person shall be directly responsible to the Administrative Services Division Commander or the authorized designee.

The responsibilities of the coordinator include but are not limited to:

- (a) Working with the appropriate prosecutors' offices and the City Attorney's office to establish systems and processes to determine what constitutes *Brady* information and the method for notification and disclosure.
- (b) Maintaining a current list of members who have *Brady* information in their files or backgrounds.

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## **Warrant Service**

### **613.1 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to balance the safety needs of the public, the safety of department members, privacy interests and other relevant factors when making decisions related to the service of search and arrest warrants.

### 613.2 OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

The operations director (see the Operations Planning and Deconfliction Policy) shall review all risk assessment forms with the involved supervisor to determine the risk level of the warrant service.

The operations director will also have the responsibility to coordinate service of those warrants that are categorized as high risk. Deconfliction, risk assessment, operational planning, briefing and debriefing should follow guidelines in the Operations Planning and Deconfliction Policy.

### 613.3 SEARCH WARRANTS

Officers should receive authorization from a supervisor before preparing a search warrant application. Once authorization is received, the officer will prepare the affidavit and search warrant, consulting with the applicable prosecuting attorney as needed. He/she will also complete the risk assessment form and submit it, along with the warrant affidavit, to the appropriate supervisor and the operations director for review and classification of risk (see the Operations Planning and Deconfliction Policy).

### 613.4 ARREST WARRANTS

If an officer reasonably believes that serving an arrest warrant may pose a higher risk than commonly faced on a daily basis, the officer should complete the risk assessment form and submit it to the appropriate supervisor and the operations director for review and classification of risk (see the Operations Planning and Deconfliction Policy).

If the warrant is classified as high risk, service will be coordinated by the operations director. If the warrant is not classified as high risk, the supervisor should weigh the risk of entry into a residence to make an arrest against other alternatives, such as arresting the person outside the residence where circumstances may pose a lower risk.

### 613.5 WARRANT PREPARATION

An officer who prepares a warrant should ensure the documentation in support of the warrant contains as applicable:

- (a) Probable cause to support the search or arrest, including relevant dates and times to demonstrate timeliness and facts to support any request for nighttime warrant execution.
  - 1. Officers shall not seek a no-knock warrant (ORS 133.575).
- (b) A clear explanation of the affiant's training, experience, and relevant education.

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- (c) Adequately supported opinions, when relevant, that are not left to unsubstantiated conclusions.
- (d) A nexus between the place to be searched and the persons or items central to the investigation. The facts supporting this nexus should be clear and current. For example, the affidavit shall explain why there is probable cause to believe that a particular person is currently residing at a particular location or that the items sought are present at a particular location.
- (e) Full disclosure of known or suspected residents at the involved location and any indication of separate living spaces at the involved location. For example, it should be disclosed that several people may be renting bedrooms at a single location, even if the exact location of the rooms is not known.
- (f) A specific description of the location to be searched, including photographs of the location, if reasonably available.
- (g) A sufficient description of the items to be seized.
- (h) Full disclosure of any known exculpatory information relevant to the warrant application (refer to the *Brady* Material Disclosure Policy).

### 613.6 HIGH-RISK WARRANT SERVICE

The operations director or the authorized designee shall coordinate the service of warrants that are categorized as high risk and shall have sole authority in determining the manner in which the warrant will be served, including the number of officers deployed.

The member responsible for directing the service should ensure the following as applicable:

- (a) When practicable and when doing so does not cause unreasonable risk, video or photographic documentation is made of the condition of the location prior to execution of a search warrant. The images should include the surrounding area and persons present.
- (b) The warrant service is video-recorded when practicable and reasonable to do so. The warrant service may be audio-recorded with notice to all parties to a conversation that a recording is being made unless otherwise permitted in the warrant or ORS 133.726 (ORS 165.540).
- (c) Evidence is handled and collected only by those members who are designated to do so. All other members involved in the service of the warrant should alert one of the designated members to the presence of potential evidence and not touch or disturb the items.
- (d) Reasonable efforts are made during the search to maintain or restore the condition of the location.
- (e) Persons who are detained as part of the warrant service are handled appropriately under the circumstances.
- (f) Reasonable care provisions are made for children and dependent adults (see the Child and Dependent Adult Safety Policy).

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- (g) A list is made of all items seized and a copy provided to the person in charge of the premises if present or otherwise left in a conspicuous place.
- (h) A copy of the search warrant is left at the location.
- (i) The condition of the property is documented with video recording or photographs after the search.

### 613.7 NO-KNOCK ENTRIES

No-knock entries are only authorized if exigent circumstances arise at the scene such that knocking and announcing the officer's presence would create an imminent threat of physical violence to the officer or another person.

### 613.8 DETENTIONS DURING WARRANT SERVICE

Officers must be sensitive to the safety risks of all persons involved with the service of a warrant. Depending on circumstances and facts present, it may be appropriate to control movements of any or all persons present at a warrant service, including those who may not be the subject of a warrant or suspected in the case. However, officers must be mindful that only reasonable force may be used and weapons should be displayed no longer than the officer reasonably believes is necessary (see the Use of Force Policy).

As soon as it can be determined that an individual is not subject to the scope of a warrant and that no further reasonable suspicion or safety concerns exist to justify further detention, the person should be promptly released.

Officers should, when and to the extent reasonable, accommodate the privacy and personal needs of people who have been detained.

### 613.9 ACTIONS AFTER WARRANT SERVICE

The supervisor shall ensure that all affidavits, warrants, receipts and returns, regardless of any associated cases, are filed with the issuing judge or magistrate as soon as reasonably possible, but in any event no later than any date specified on the warrant.

### 613.10 OUTSIDE AGENCIES AND CROSS-JURISDICTIONAL WARRANTS

The operations director will ensure that cooperative efforts with other agencies in the service of warrants conform to existing mutual aid agreements or other memorandums of understanding and will work cooperatively to mitigate risks including, but not limited to, the following:

- Identity of team members
- Roles and responsibilities
- Familiarity with equipment
- Rules of engagement
- Asset forfeiture procedures

Any outside agency requesting assistance in the service of a warrant within this jurisdiction should be referred to the operations director. The director should review and confirm the warrant, including

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the warrant location, and should discuss the service with the appropriate supervisor from the other agency. The director should ensure that members of the Sweet Home Police Department are utilized appropriately. Any concerns regarding the requested use of Sweet Home Police Department members should be brought to the attention of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. The actual service of the warrant will remain the responsibility of the agency requesting assistance.

If the operations director is unavailable, the Patrol Sergeant should assume this role.

If officers intend to serve a warrant outside Sweet Home Police Department jurisdiction, the operations director should provide reasonable advance notice to the applicable agency, request assistance as needed and work cooperatively on operational planning and the mitigation of risks detailed in this policy.

Officers will remain subject to the policies of the Sweet Home Police Department when assisting outside agencies or serving a warrant outside Sweet Home Police Department jurisdiction.

### 613.11 MEDIA ACCESS

No advance information regarding warrant service operations shall be released without the approval of the Chief of Police. Any media inquiries or press release after the fact shall be handled in accordance with the Media Relations Policy.

### 613.12 DOCUMENTATION

Documentation related to the service of a warrant shall be maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

### **613.13 TRAINING**

The Training Sergeant should ensure officers receive periodic training on this policy and associated topics, such as legal issues, warrant preparation, warrant service and reporting requirements.

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# **Operations Planning and Deconfliction**

### **614.1 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to properly plan and carry out highrisk operations, including participation in a regional deconfliction system, in order to provide coordination, enhance the safety of members and the public, decrease the risk of compromising investigations and prevent duplicating efforts.

### 614.2 OPERATIONS DIRECTOR

The Chief of Police will designate a member of this department to be the operations director.

The operations director will develop and maintain a risk assessment form to assess, plan and coordinate operations. This form should provide a process to identify high-risk operations.

The operations director will review risk assessment forms with involved supervisors to determine whether a particular incident qualifies as a high-risk operation. The director will also have the responsibility for coordinating operations that are categorized as high risk.

### 614.3 RISK ASSESSMENT

### 614.3.1 RISK ASSESSMENT FORM PREPARATION

Officers assigned as operational leads for any operation that may qualify as a high-risk operation shall complete a risk assessment form.

When preparing the form, the officer should query all relevant and reasonably available intelligence resources for information about the subject of investigation, others who may be present and the involved location. These sources may include regional intelligence and criminal justice databases, target deconfliction systems, firearm records, commercial databases and property records. Where appropriate, the officer should also submit information to these resources.

The officer should gather available information that includes, but is not limited to:

- (a) Photographs, including aerial photographs, if available, of the involved location, neighboring yards and obstacles.
- (b) Maps of the location.
- (c) Diagrams of any property and the interior of any buildings that are involved.
- (d) Historical information about the subject of investigation (e.g., history of weapon possession or use, known mental illness, known drug use, threats against police, gang affiliation, criminal history).
- (e) Historical information about others who may be present at the location (e.g., other criminals, innocent third parties, dependent adults, children, animals).
- (f) Obstacles associated with the location (e.g., fortification, booby traps, reinforced doors/windows, surveillance measures, number and type of buildings, geographic and perimeter barriers, the number and types of weapons likely to be present, information

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- that suggests the presence of explosives, chemicals or other hazardous materials, the potential for multiple dwellings or living spaces, availability of keys/door combinations).
- (g) Other environmental factors (e.g., nearby venues such as schools and day care centers, proximity of adjacent homes or other occupied buildings, anticipated pedestrian and vehicle traffic at the time of service).
- (h) Other available options that may minimize the risk to officers and others (e.g., making an off-site arrest or detention of the subject of investigation).

#### 614.3.2 RISK ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Officers will present the risk assessment form and other relevant documents (such as copies of search warrants and affidavits and arrest warrants) to their supervisor and the operations director.

The supervisor and operations director shall confer and determine the level of risk. Supervisors should take reasonable actions if there is a change in circumstances that elevates the risks associated with the operation.

### 614.3.3 HIGH-RISK OPERATIONS

If the operations director, after consultation with the involved supervisor, determines that the operation is high risk, the operations director should:

- (a) Determine what resources will be needed at the location, and contact and/or place on standby any of the following appropriate and available resources:
  - 1. Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT)
  - 2. Additional personnel
  - 3. Outside agency assistance
  - 4. Special equipment
  - 5. Medical personnel
  - 6. Persons trained in negotiation
  - 7. Additional surveillance
  - 8. Canines
  - 9. Property and Evidence Section or analytical personnel to assist with cataloguing seizures
  - 10. Forensic specialists
  - 11. Specialized mapping for larger or complex locations
- (b) Contact the appropriate department members or other agencies as warranted to begin preparation.
- (c) Ensure that all legal documents such as search warrants are complete and have any modifications reasonably necessary to support the operation.
- (d) Coordinate the actual operation.

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### 614.4 DECONFLICTION

Deconfliction systems are designed to identify persons and locations associated with investigations or law enforcement operations and alert participating agencies when others are planning or conducting operations in close proximity or time or are investigating the same individuals, groups or locations.

The officer who is the operations lead shall ensure the subject of investigation and operations information have been entered in an applicable deconfliction system to determine if there is reported conflicting activity. This should occur as early in the process as practicable, but no later than two hours prior to the commencement of the operation. The officer should also enter relevant updated information when it is received.

If any conflict is discovered, the supervisor will contact the involved jurisdiction and resolve the potential conflict before proceeding.

### 614.5 OPERATIONS PLAN

The operations director should ensure that a written operations plan is developed for all high-risk operations. Plans should also be considered for other operations that would benefit from having a formal plan.

The plan should address such issues as:

- (a) Operation goals, objectives and strategies.
- (b) Operation location and people:
  - 1. The subject of investigation (e.g., history of weapon possession/use, known mental illness issues, known drug use, threats against police, gang affiliation, criminal history)
  - 2. The location (e.g., fortification, booby traps, reinforced doors/windows, surveillance cameras and/or lookouts, number/type of buildings, geographic and perimeter barriers, the number and types of weapons likely to be present, information that suggests the presence of explosives, chemicals or other hazardous materials, the potential for multiple dwellings or living spaces, availability of keys/door combinations), including aerial photos, if available, and maps of neighboring yards and obstacles, diagrams and other visual aids
  - 3. Other environmental factors (e.g., nearby venues such as schools and day care centers, proximity of adjacent homes or other occupied buildings, anticipated pedestrian and vehicle traffic at the time of service)
  - 4. Identification of other people who may be present in or around the operation, such as other criminal suspects, innocent third parties and children
- (c) Information from the risk assessment form by attaching a completed copy in the operational plan.
  - The volume or complexity of the information may indicate that the plan includes a synopsis of the information contained on the risk assessment form to ensure clarity and highlighting of critical information.

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- (d) Participants and their roles.
  - 1. An adequate number of uniformed officers should be included in the operation team to provide reasonable notice of a legitimate law enforcement operation.
  - 2. How all participants will be identified as law enforcement.
- (e) Whether deconfliction submissions are current and all involved individuals, groups and locations have been deconflicted to the extent reasonably practicable.
- (f) Identification of all communications channels and call-signs.
- (g) Use of force issues.
- (h) Contingencies for handling medical emergencies (e.g., services available at the location, closest hospital, closest trauma center).
- (i) Plans for detaining people who are not under arrest.
- (j) Contingencies for handling children, dependent adults, animals and other people who might be at the location in accordance with the Child Abuse, Adult Abuse, Child and Dependent Adult Safety and Animal Control policies.
- (k) Communications plan
- (I) Responsibilities for writing, collecting, reviewing and approving reports.

### 614.5.1 OPERATIONS PLAN RETENTION

Since the operations plan contains intelligence information and descriptions of law enforcement tactics, it shall not be filed with the report. The operations plan shall be stored separately and retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

### 614.6 OPERATIONS BRIEFING

A briefing should be held prior to the commencement of any high-risk operation to allow all participants to understand the operation, see and identify each other, identify roles and responsibilities and ask questions or seek clarification as needed. Anyone who is not present at the briefing should not respond to the operation location without specific supervisory approval.

- (a) The briefing should include a verbal review of plan elements, using visual aids, to enhance the participants' understanding of the operations plan.
- (b) All participants should be provided a copy of the operations plan and search warrant, if applicable. Participating personnel should be directed to read the search warrant and initial a copy that is retained with the operation plan. Any items to be seized should be identified at the briefing.
- (c) The operations director shall ensure that all participants are visually identifiable as law enforcement officers.
  - Exceptions may be made by the operations director for officers who are conducting surveillance or working under cover. However, those members exempt from visual identification should be able to transition to a visible law enforcement indicator at the time of enforcement actions, such as entries or arrests, if necessary.

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- (d) The briefing should include details of the communications plan.
  - 1. It is the responsibility of the operations director to ensure that Dispatch is notified of the time and location of the operation, and to provide a copy of the operation plan prior to officers arriving at the location.
  - 2. If the radio channel needs to be monitored by Dispatch, the dispatcher assigned to monitor the operation should attend the briefing, if practicable, but at a minimum should receive a copy of the operation plan.
  - The briefing should include a communications check to ensure that all
    participants are able to communicate with the available equipment on the
    designated radio channel.

### 614.7 SWAT PARTICIPATION

If the operations director determines that SWAT participation is appropriate, the director and the SWAT supervisor shall work together to develop a written plan. The SWAT supervisor shall assume operational control until all persons at the scene are appropriately detained and it is safe to begin a search. When this occurs, the SWAT supervisor shall transfer control of the scene to the handling supervisor. This transfer should be communicated to the officers present.

### 614.8 MEDIA ACCESS

No advance information regarding planned operations shall be released without the approval of the Chief of Police. Any media inquiries or press release after the fact shall be handled in accordance with the Media Relations Policy.

### 614.9 OPERATIONS DEBRIEFING

High-risk operations should be debriefed as soon as reasonably practicable. The debriefing should include as many participants as possible. This debrief may be separate from any SWAT debriefing.

### **614.10 TRAINING**

The Training Sergeant should ensure officers andteam members who participate in operations subject to this policy should receive periodic training including, but not limited to, topics such as legal issues, deconfliction practices, operations planning concepts and reporting requirements.

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# **Forensic Genetic Genealogy**

### 615.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance for the use of forensic genetic genealogy (FGG) to generate investigative leads.

### 615.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Combined DNA Index System (CODIS)** - An FBI computer software program that operates deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) profile databases for law enforcement use.

**DNA typing laboratory** - A laboratory that analyzes biological samples, including extracted DNA, in order to provide various DNA profile types. State or local crime labs are generally not equipped to provide single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) DNA profiles; therefore, the use of private DNA typing laboratories is often necessary for FGG.

**Extracted DNA** - The DNA isolated from a biological sample remaining after previous DNA testing has been completed.

**Forensic genetic genealogy (FGG)** - The process of obtaining a SNP DNA profile from a biological sample collected during an investigation; uploading the profile to a genetic genealogy site for comparison to the consumer profiles in the site's database to identify genetic relatives; and using the identified genetic relationships, as well as traditional genealogy research, to generate investigative leads.

**Genetic genealogist** - A genealogist who uses DNA testing with traditional genealogical research methods to assist law enforcement or private clients in identifying biological relatives of an individual.

**Genetic genealogy site** - A database of DNA profiles voluntarily submitted by public consumers for the purpose of identifying genetic relatives. The availability of genetic genealogy sites for law enforcement use varies depending on their terms of service.

**Short tandem repeat (STR) DNA profile** - The results of DNA typing in a format that can be processed through CODIS and state DNA databases. This is the type of DNA used in conventional non-FGG law enforcement investigations.

**Single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) DNA profile** - The results of DNA typing in a format that enables an unknown DNA sample to be compared to the DNA profiles maintained by a genetic genealogy site. This is the DNA type used in FGG.

### 615.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department's use of FGG will be in coordination with prosecutors, the [MedicalExaminer/JOP], and other appropriate resources only in qualifying cases after reasonable conventional investigative methods have been pursued. Members will take reasonable steps to

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maintain the integrity of the FGG process and safeguard the privacy rights of individuals whose DNA profiles are analyzed.

### 615.3 CRITERIA FOR FGG USE

Before using FGG, the lead investigator should coordinate with the supervisor to determine whether the case meets the following requirements:

- (a) Biological evidence collected as part of the underlying investigation (or extracted DNA from the biological evidence) is available for additional testing and is reasonably believed to be attributable to:
  - 1. The perpetrator of an unsolved violent felony.
  - 2. The unidentified human remains of a suspected homicide victim.
- (b) All reasonable conventional investigative methods have been utilized and all reasonable investigative leads have been pursued (e.g., relevant case information entered in the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs) and the Violent Criminal Apprehension Program (ViCAP) national database).
- (c) An STR DNA profile has been developed from the biological evidence collected in the case and, absent unusual circumstances, has been uploaded to CODIS and any applicable state DNA database for comparison with negative results.

### 615.4 COORDINATION

Once a preliminary determination has been made that a case may qualify for the use of FGG, the lead investigating member should consult with the appropriate prosecutor to address current and prospective legal issues and determine if a search warrant is required.

In the case of unidentified human remains, the lead investigator should also consult with the [MedicalExaminer/JOP].

### 615.5 SUBMISSION OF SAMPLE

The biological evidence or extracted DNA should be submitted to a DNA typing laboratory approved by the Department in order to obtain a SNP DNA profile.

Once a SNP DNA profile has been obtained from the biological evidence or extracted DNA, the lead investigating member should arrange for it to be compared to the SNP DNA profiles contained in one or more genetic genealogy sites to identify possible genetic relatives. The lead investigator should work with a qualified genetic genealogist as needed during this process.

When submitting a SNP DNA profile for comparison, the lead investigator or the authorized designee (e.g., assigned genetic genealogist) shall notify the genetic genealogy site that the request for comparison is from a law enforcement agency and confirm that the site's terms of service permit FGG for the type of case being investigated. The use of the SNP DNA profile and any subsequent comparison shall be limited to the original underlying investigation.

If at any time during the FGG process the case no longer meets the criteria for FGG use, the lead investigator should promptly notify the DNA typing laboratory, genetic genealogy site, and/or

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genetic genealogist to cease any further analysis and to return all evidence, data, and materials to the Department.

### 615.6 ANALYSIS OF FGG DATA

Once results of a comparison are received from a genetic genealogy site, the information should be evaluated by a genetic genealogist, who will assist the lead investigator in identifying potential investigative leads.

The lead investigator should promptly and diligently pursue each viable lead identified through the FGG process using traditional investigative methods, as appropriate, to:

- (a) Eliminate an individual as a potential suspect in the case.
- (b) Link an individual to the case as a potential suspect.
- (c) Identify human remains.

### 615.7 COLLECTION OF THIRD-PARTY DNA SAMPLE

If it is determined that a third-party DNA sample (i.e., from a person not likely to be a suspect in the investigation) should be collected and analyzed for FGG, consent from the third party should be obtained prior to collection.

If there is a reasonable belief that the integrity of the investigation would be compromised by seeking consent from the third party prior to collection, the lead investigator should consult with the prosecutor regarding applicable laws and procedures in both the jurisdiction of the investigation and the jurisdiction where the collection will occur, if different.

The use of a third-party DNA sample shall be limited to the original underlying investigation.

### 615.8 POST-IDENTIFICATION

Members shall not rely solely on FGG identification of a potential suspect for probable cause to make an arrest or obtain an arrest warrant. Unless there is sufficient evidence independent of the FGG data to support an arrest, a potential suspect identified through FGG should not be arrested until the suspect's identity is confirmed.

Members shall not rely solely on FGG to identify human remains unless there is sufficient evidence independent of the FGG data to declare the identification or confirmation testing has been completed.

Confirmatory DNA testing should be conducted by collecting a known DNA sample from the potential suspect or, in the case of unidentified human remains, from a close biological relative. This known DNA sample should be submitted for comparison to the original unknown STR DNA profile through conventional methods (e.g., in CODIS).

The lead investigator should consult with the prosecutor to determine the appropriate method of obtaining a known DNA sample.

Once the identity of a suspect or the identity of unidentified human remains has been confirmed through conventional DNA testing, the lead investigator should:

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- (a) Consult with the prosecutor to evaluate the entire investigative file for consideration of criminal charges or further investigation.
- (b) If applicable, consult with the [MedicalExaminer/JOP] for an amendment to a certificate of death.

### 615.9 PRIVACY CONSIDERATIONS

Members should make reasonable efforts to respect and protect the privacy of non-suspect genetic relatives identified through the FGG process. The names and identifying information of any non-suspect genetic relatives should not be included in official reports, probable cause declarations, or affidavits for search warrants and should not be disclosed unless otherwise required by law or court order.

The lead investigator should formally request that the SNP DNA profile be removed from all genetic genealogy sites upon identity confirmation and should retain a copy of the request for department records. The lead investigator should request that all case-related records and data provided to, or generated by, a genetic genealogist during the FGG process be returned to the Department.

### 615.10 RETENTION OF DNA SAMPLES AND RELATED RECORDS

Genetic information, including any derivative profiles and genetic genealogy site user information, should be retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule. The lead investigator should coordinate with the property and evidence technician and provide adequate notice to the appropriate prosecutor's office before destroying any profiles or data obtained from the FGG process.

See the Property and Evidence Policy for guidelines regarding biological evidence, including DNA samples.

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# **Department-Owned and Personal Property**

### 700.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy addresses the care of department-owned property and the role of the Department when personal property, the property of another or department-owned property is damaged or lost.

### 700.2 DEPARTMENT-ISSUED PROPERTY

All property and equipment issued by the Department shall be documented in the appropriate property sheet or equipment log. Receipt of issued items shall be acknowledged by the receiving member's signature. Upon separation from the Department, all issued property and equipment shall be returned. Documentation of the return shall be acknowledged by the signature of a supervisor.

The Administrative Services Division Commander shall be responsible for developing and maintaining procedures for the inventory control of department property.

### 700.2.1 CARE OF PROPERTY

Members shall be responsible for the safekeeping, serviceable condition, proper care, use and replacement of department property assigned or entrusted to them. Intentional or negligent abuse or misuse of department property may lead to discipline including, but not limited to, the cost of repair or replacement.

- (a) Members shall promptly report through their chain of command, any loss, damage to, or unserviceable condition of any department-issued property or equipment.
  - A supervisor receiving such a report shall conduct an investigation and direct a memo to the appropriate Division Commander, which shall include the result of the investigation and whether misconduct or negligence caused the loss, damage or unserviceable condition.
  - 2. A review of the incident by command staff should determine whether additional action is appropriate.
- (b) The use of damaged or unserviceable property should be discontinued as soon as practicable, and the item replaced with a comparable item as soon as available and following notice to a supervisor.
- (c) Except when otherwise directed by competent authority or otherwise reasonable by circumstances, department property shall only be used by those to whom it was assigned. Use should be limited to official purposes and in the capacity for which it was designed.
- (d) Department property shall not be thrown away, sold, traded, donated, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of without proper authority.
- (e) A supervisor's approval is required before any attempt to repair damaged or unserviceable property is made by a member.

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### 700.3 DAMAGE TO PROPERTY OF ANOTHER PERSON

Anyone who intentionally or unintentionally damages or causes to be damaged the real or personal property of another while performing any law enforcement function shall promptly report the damage through his/her chain of command.

The supervisor receiving such a report shall conduct an investigation and direct a memo to the appropriate Division Commander, which shall include the result of the investigation and whether reasonable care was taken to prevent the loss, damage or unserviceable condition.

A review of the incident by command staff to determine whether misconduct or negligence was involved should be completed.

### 700.3.1 DAMAGE BY PERSONNEL OF ANOTHER AGENCY

Personnel from another agency may intentionally or unintentionally cause damage to the real or personal property of the City of Sweet Home or of another person while performing their duties within the jurisdiction of this department. It shall be the responsibility of the department member present or the member responsible for the property to report the damage as follows:

- (a) A verbal report shall be made to the member's immediate supervisor as soon as circumstances permit.
- (b) A written report shall be submitted before the member goes off-duty or as otherwise directed by the supervisor.

The supervisor receiving such a report shall conduct an investigation and direct a memo to the appropriate Division Commander which shall include the result of the investigation and whether misconduct or negligence caused the loss, damage or unserviceable condition.

### **700.4 POLICY**

Members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall properly care for department property assigned or entrusted to them. Department-owned property that becomes damaged shall be promptly replaced. Members' personal property that becomes damaged during the performance of assigned duties will be reimbursed in accordance with this policy.

### 700.5 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Carrying and/or using personal property or equipment on-duty requires prior written approval by the Chief of Police or the appropriate Division Commander. The member should submit a request that includes the description of the property, and the reason and length of time it will be used. Personal property of the type routinely carried by persons not performing law enforcement duties, and that is not a weapon, is excluded from this requirement.

The Department will not replace or repair costly items (e.g., jewelry, expensive watches, exotic equipment) that are not reasonably required as a part of work.

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### 700.5.1 FILING CLAIMS FOR PERSONAL PROPERTY

Claims for reimbursement for damage to, or loss of, personal property must be made on the proper form. This form is submitted to the member's immediate supervisor. The supervisor may require a separate written report.

The supervisor receiving such a report shall conduct an investigation and direct a memo to the appropriate Division Commander, which shall include the result of the investigation and whether the reasonable care was taken to prevent the loss, damage or unserviceable condition.

Upon review by staff and a finding that no misconduct or negligence was involved, repair or replacement may be recommended by the Chief of Police who will then forward the claim to the Citydepartment responsible for issuing payments.

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# **Personal Communication Devices**

## 702.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the use of mobile telephones and communication devices, whether issued or funded by the Department or personally owned, while on-duty or when used for authorized work-related purposes.

This policy generically refers to all such devices as Personal Communication Devices (PCDs) but is intended to include all mobile telephones, personal digital assistants (PDAs), wireless-capable tablets, and similar wireless two-way communications and/or portable internet access devices. PCD use includes but is not limited to placing and receiving calls, text messaging, blogging and microblogging, emailing, using video or camera features, playing games, and accessing sites or services on the internet.

### 702.1.1 PRIVACY POLICY

Any employee utilizing any computer, internet service, phone service or other wireless service provided by or funded by the Department expressly acknowledges and agrees that the use of such service, whether for business or personal use, shall remove any expectation of privacy the employee, sender and recipient of any communication utilizing such service might otherwise have, including as to the content of any such communication. The Department also expressly reserves the right to access and audit any and all communications, including content sent, received and/ or stored through the use of such service.

### **702.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department allows members to utilize department-issued or funded PCDs and to possess personally owned PCDs in the workplace, subject to certain limitations. Any PCD used while on- or off-duty for business-related purposes, or reasonably associated with work-related misconduct, will be subject to monitoring and inspection consistent with applicable law and this policy.

Additionally, the use of a PCD either on-duty or after duty hours for business-related purposes, or reasonably associated with work-related misconduct, may subject the member and the member's PCD records to civil or criminal discovery or disclosure under applicable public records laws.

Members who have questions regarding the application of this policy or the guidelines contained herein are encouraged to seek clarification from supervisory staff.

## 702.2.1 INDIVIDUALLY OWNED PCD

Employees may carry their own individually owned PCD while on duty subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Carrying an individually owned personal communication device is optional.
- (b) The device shall be purchased, used and maintained at the employee's expense.

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- (c) On-duty Dispatch and Records personnel are permitted to use PCD's in their work areas to the extent they are not excessive, prolonged, do not interfere with assigned duties, or negatively impact co-workers.PCD's must be muted or on vibrate so as not to disturb anyone in the workplace.
- (d) Other employees should step out of the the dispatch area if PCD use is necessary.

The department may authorize a personally owned PCD to be used for duty purposes. In these cases the employee may request reimbursement for the duty use of the device. Employees utilizing a personally owned PCD for duty purposes may use a "proxy number" to avoid revealing their actual phone number to the public. However, the department will be provided the actual device phone number. The rate of reimbursement will be set by the department.

### 702.2.2 USE OF PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES

PCDs, whether provided by the Department or personally owned, should only be used by onduty employees for legitimate department business except as provided for below. Employees may use a PCD to communicate with other personnel in those situations where the use of the radio is either impractical or not feasible. PCDs however, should not be used to replace regular radio communications.

- (a) PCDs shall not be carried in a manner that allows them to be generally visible while in uniform.
- (b) PCDs may not be used to conduct personal business while on duty except when brief personal communications may be warranted by the circumstances (e.g., inform family of extended hours). While employees may use personally owned PCDs for personal business during authorized breaks, such usage should be limited as much as practical to areas where the communication will not be seen or heard by members of the general public.
- (c) Extended or frequent use of departmentally issued PCDs or personally owned PCDs while on duty for personal use is prohibited and may be subject to discipline. Employees may be responsible for reimbursing the Department for any charges incurred as a result of personal use.

### 702.2.3 USE WHILE DRIVING

The use of a PCD while driving can cause unnecessary distractions and presents a negative image to the public. Officers operating emergency vehicles should restrict the use of these devices while driving to matters of an urgent nature and should, where practical, stop the vehicle at an appropriate location to complete their communication (ORS 811.507).

Except in the case of an emergency, employees who are operating non-emergency vehicles shall not use cellular phones or other personal communication devices while driving unless the telephone is specifically designed and configured to allow hands-free listening and talking. Such use should be restricted to business related calls or calls of an urgent nature.

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## **Vehicle Maintenance**

## 704.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Employees are responsible for assisting in maintaining Department vehicles so that they are properly equipped, properly maintained, properly refueled and present a clean appearance.

## 704.2 DEFECTIVE VEHICLES

When a department vehicle becomes inoperative or in need of repair that affects the safety of the vehicle, including, but not limited to, the lack of a working siren, emergency lights and/or radio communications, that vehicle shall be removed from service for repair. Proper documentation shall be promptly completed by the employee who first becomes aware of the defective condition, describing the correction needed. The paperwork shall be promptly forwarded to vehicle maintenance for repair.

## 704.2.1 DAMAGE OR POOR PERFORMANCE

Vehicles that may have been damaged, or perform poorly shall be removed from service for inspections and repairs as soon as practicable.

### 704.2.2 SEVERE USE

Vehicles operated under severe-use conditions, which include operations for which the vehicle is not designed or that exceed the manufacturer's parameters, should be removed from service and subjected to a safety inspection as soon as practicable. Such conditions may include rough roadway or off-road driving, hard or extended braking, pursuits or prolonged high-speed operation.

## 704.2.3 REMOVAL OF WEAPONS

All firearms, weapons and control devices shall be removed from a vehicle and properly secured in the department armory prior to the vehicle being released for maintenance, service or repair.

### 704.3 VEHICLE EQUIPMENT

Certain items shall be maintained in all department vehicles for emergency purposes and to perform routine duties.

### 704.3.1 PATROL VEHICLES

Officers shall inspect the patrol vehicle at the beginning of the shift and ensure that the following equipment, at a minimum, is present in the vehicle:

- 20 Emergency road flares
- Orange traffic paint and/or 2 Sticks yellow crayon or chalk
- 1 Roll Crime Scene Barricade Tape
- 100' tape (minimum)
- 25' tape (minimum)

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- Furniture pad
- 1 First aid kit, CPR mask
- 1 Blanket
- 1 Fire extinguisher
- 1 Blood-borne pathogen kit, Incl. protective gloves
- 1 Sharps container
- 3 Hazardous waste disposal bags
- 6 Traffic Safety cones
- 1 Evidence collection supplies

## 704.3.2 UNMARKED VEHICLES

An employee driving unmarked department vehicles shall ensure that the minimum following equipment is present in the vehicle:

- 5 Emergency road flares
- 1 Roll Crime Scene Barricade Tape
- 1 First aid kit, CPR mask
- 1 Blanket
- 1 Fire extinguisher
- 1 Blood-borne pathogen kit, Incl. protective gloves
- 1 Sharps container
- 1 Hazardous waste disposal bag
- 1 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Handbook

#### 704.4 VEHICLE REFUELING

Absent emergency conditions or supervisor approval, officers driving patrol vehicles shall not place a vehicle in service that has less than one-quarter tank of fuel. Vehicles shall only be refueled at the authorized location. Vehicles should be fueled at the end of each shift.

## 704.5 WASHING OF VEHICLES

All units shall be kept clean at all times and weather conditions permitting, shall be washed as necessary to enhance their appearance.

Employees using a vehicle shall remove any trash or debris at the end of their shift. Confidential material should be placed in a designated receptacle provided for the shredding of this matter.

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#### 704.6 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE USE

Civilian employees using marked vehicles shall ensure all weapons are removed from vehicles before going into service. Civilian employees shall also prominently display the "out of service" placards or lightbar covers at all times. Civilian employees shall not operate the emergency lights or siren of any vehicle unless expressly authorized by a supervisor.

Marked vehicles released to non-members for service or any other reason shall have all weapons removed and "out of service" placards or lightbar covers in place.

### 704.7 VEHICLE INSPECTION

Unless delayed by an emergency call, employees shall inspect department vehicles at the beginning of each shift for any damage, and to ensure that all systems, lights and emergency equipment are in good working order. The interiors should be examined to confirm no property or contraband is present. The interior inspection should be repeated at the conclusion of any prisoner transport.

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## 706.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a system of accountability to ensure department vehicles are used appropriately. This policy provides guidelines for on- and off-duty use of department vehicles and shall not be construed to create or imply any contractual obligation by the City of Sweet Home to provide assigned take-home vehicles.

#### **706.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department provides vehicles for department-related business and may assign patrol and unmarked vehicles based on a determination of operational efficiency, economic impact to the Department, requirements for tactical deployments and other considerations.

## 706.3 USE OF VEHICLES

### 706.3.1 SHIFT ASSIGNED VEHICLES

Members who use a fleet vehicle as part of their work assignment shall ensure that the vehicle is properly checked out, according to current procedures, prior to taking it into service. If for any reason during the shift the vehicle is exchanged, the member shall ensure that the exchanged vehicle is likewise properly checked out.

Members shall be responsible for inspecting the interior and exterior of any assigned vehicle before taking the vehicle into service and at the conclusion of the shift. Any previously unreported damage, mechanical problems, unauthorized contents or other problems with the vehicle shall be promptly reported to a supervisor and documented as appropriate.

All vehicles used in patrol operations are equipped with a police radio and emergency equipment as defined by ORS 816.250 and OAR 735-110-0010 through OAR 735-110-0050. Vehicles with defective emergency equipment should be promptly reported to a supervisor and not used for patrol duties.

## 706.3.2 OTHER USE OF VEHICLES

Members utilizing a vehicle for any purpose other than their normally assigned duties or normal vehicle assignment (e.g., transportation to training, community event) shall first notify the Patrol Sergeant. A notation will be made on the shift assignment roster indicating the member's name and vehicle number.

This subsection does not apply to those who are assigned to transport vehicles to and from the maintenance yard or car wash.

#### 706.3.3 INSPECTIONS

Members shall be responsible for inspecting the interior and exterior of any assigned vehicle before taking the vehicle into service and at the conclusion of their shifts. Any previously unreported damage, mechanical problems, unauthorized contents or other problems with the vehicle shall be promptly reported to a supervisor and documented as appropriate.

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The interior of any vehicle that has been used to transport any person other than a member of this department should be inspected prior to placing another person in the vehicle and again after the person is removed. This is to ensure that unauthorized or personal items have not been left in the vehicle.

When transporting any suspect, prisoner or arrestee, the transporting member shall search all areas of the vehicle that are accessible by the person before and after that person is transported.

All department vehicles are subject to inspection and/or search at any time by a supervisor without notice and without cause. No member assigned to or operating such vehicle shall be entitled to any expectation of privacy with respect to the vehicle or its contents.

### 706.3.4 SECURITY AND UNATTENDED VEHICLES

Unattended vehicles should be locked and secured at all times. No key should be left in the vehicle except when it is necessary that the vehicle be left running (e.g., continued activation of emergency lights, canine safety, equipment charging). Officers who exit a vehicle rapidly in an emergency situation or to engage in a foot pursuit must carefully balance the need to exit the vehicle quickly with the need to secure the vehicle.

Members shall ensure all weapons are secured while the vehicle is unattended.

## 706.3.5 MOBILE DATA TERMINAL

Members assigned to vehicles equipped with a Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) shall log onto the MDT with the required information when going on-duty. If the vehicle is not equipped with a working MDT, the member shall notify Dispatch. Use of the MDT is governed by the Mobile Data Terminal Use Policy.

## 706.3.6 VEHICLE LOCATION SYSTEM

Patrol and other vehicles, at the discretion of the Chief of Police, may be equipped with a system designed to track the vehicle's location. While the system may provide vehicle location and other information, members are not relieved of their responsibility to use required communication practices to report their location and status.

Members shall not make any unauthorized modifications to the system. At the start of each shift, members shall verify that the system is on and report any malfunctions to their supervisor. If the member finds that the system is not functioning properly at any time during the shift, he/she should exchange the vehicle for one with a working system, if available.

System data may be accessed by supervisors at any time. However, access to historical data by personnel other than supervisors will require Division Commander approval.

All data captured by the system shall be retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

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### 706.3.7 KEYS

Members approved to operate marked patrol vehicles should be issued a copy of the key as part of their initial equipment distribution. Members who are assigned a specific vehicle should be issued keys for that vehicle.

Members shall not duplicate keys. The loss of a key shall be promptly reported in writing through the member's chain of command.

#### 706.3.8 AUTHORIZED PASSENGERS

Members operating department vehicles shall not permit persons other than City personnel or persons required to be conveyed in the performance of duty, or as otherwise authorized, to ride as passengers in the vehicle, except as stated in the Ride-Along Policy.

### 706.3.9 ALCOHOL

Members who have consumed alcohol are prohibited from operating any department vehicle unless it is required by the duty assignment (e.g., task force, undercover work). Regardless of assignment, members may not violate state law regarding vehicle operation while intoxicated.

### 706.3.10 PARKING

Except when responding to an emergency or when urgent department-related business requires otherwise, members driving department vehicles should obey all parking regulations at all times.

Department vehicles should be parked in assigned stalls. Members shall not park privately owned vehicles in stalls assigned to department vehicles or in other areas of the parking lot that are not so designated unless authorized by a supervisor. Privately owned motorcycles shall be parked in designated areas.

### 706.3.11 ACCESSORIES AND/OR MODIFICATIONS

There shall be no modifications, additions or removal of any equipment or accessories without written permission from the assigned vehicle program manager.

#### 706.3.12 CIVILIAN MEMBER USE

Civilian members using marked emergency vehicles shall ensure that all weapons have been removed before going into service. Civilian members shall prominently display the "out of service" placards or light bar covers at all times. Civilian members shall not operate the emergency lights or siren of any vehicle unless expressly authorized by a supervisor.

## 706.4 INDIVIDUAL MEMBER ASSIGNMENT TO VEHICLES

Department vehicles may be assigned to individual members at the discretion of the Chief of Police. Vehicles may be assigned for on-duty and/or take-home use. Assigned vehicles may be changed at any time. Permission to take home a vehicle may be withdrawn at any time.

The assignment of vehicles may be suspended when the member is unable to perform his/her regular assignment.

#### 706.4.1 ON-DUTY USE

Vehicle assignments shall be based on the nature of the member's duties, job description and essential functions, and employment or appointment status. Vehicles may be reassigned or utilized by other department members at the discretion of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

#### 706.4.2 UNSCHEDULED TAKE-HOME USE

Circumstances may arise where department vehicles must be used by members to commute to and from a work assignment. Members may take home department vehicles only with prior approval of a supervisor and shall meet the following criteria:

- (a) The circumstances are unplanned and were created by the needs of the Department.
- (b) Other reasonable transportation options are not available.
- (c) The member lives within a reasonable distance (generally not to exceed a 60-minute drive time) of the Sweet Home City limits.
- (d) Off-street parking will be available at the member's residence.
- (e) Vehicles will be locked when not attended.
- (f) All firearms, weapons and control devices will be removed from the interior of the vehicle and properly secured in the residence when the vehicle is not attended, unless the vehicle is parked in a locked garage.

## 706.4.3 ASSIGNED VEHICLES

Assignment of take-home vehicles shall be based on the location of the member's residence; the nature of the member's duties, job description and essential functions; and the member's employment or appointment status. Residence in the City of Sweet Home is a prime consideration for assignment of a take-home vehicle. Members who reside outside the City of Sweet Home may be required to secure the vehicle at a designated location or the Department at the discretion of the Chief of Police.

Department members shall sign a take-home vehicle agreement that outlines certain standards, including, but not limited to, how the vehicle shall be used, where it shall be parked when the member is not on-duty, vehicle maintenance responsibilities and member enforcement actions.

Members are cautioned that under federal and local tax rules, personal use of a City vehicle may create an income tax liability for the member. Questions regarding tax rules should be directed to the member's tax adviser.

Criteria for use of take-home vehicles include the following:

- (a) Vehicles shall only be used for work-related purposes and shall not be used for personal errands or transports, unless special circumstances exist and the Chief of Police or a Division Commander gives authorization.
- (b) Vehicles may be used to transport the member to and from the member's residence for work-related purposes.

- (c) Vehicles will not be used when off-duty except:
  - In circumstances when a member has been placed on call by the Chief of Police or Division Commanders and there is a high probability that the member will be called back to duty.
  - 2. When the member is performing a work-related function during what normally would be an off-duty period, including vehicle maintenance or traveling to or from a work-related activity or function.
  - 3. When the member has received permission from the Chief of Police or Division Commanders.
  - 4. When the vehicle is being used by the Chief of Police, Division Commanders or members who are in on-call administrative positions.
  - 5. When the vehicle is being used by on-call investigators.
- (d) While operating the vehicle, authorized members will carry and have accessible their duty firearms and be prepared to perform any function they would be expected to perform while on-duty.
- (e) The two-way communications radio, MDT and global positioning satellite device, if equipped, must be on and set to an audible volume when the vehicle is in operation.
- (f) Unattended vehicles are to be locked and secured at all times.
  - 1. No key should be left in the vehicle except when it is necessary that the vehicle be left running (e.g., continued activation of emergency lights, canine safety, equipment charging).
  - 2. All weapons shall be secured while the vehicle is unattended.
  - 3. All department identification, portable radios and equipment should be secured.
- (g) Vehicles are to be parked off-street at the member's residence unless prior arrangements have been made with the Chief of Police or the authorized designee. If the vehicle is not secured inside a locked garage, all firearms and kinetic impact weapons shall be removed and properly secured in the residence (see the Firearms Policy regarding safe storage of firearms at home).
- (h) Vehicles are to be secured at the member's residence or the appropriate department facility, at the discretion of the Department when a member will be away (e.g., on vacation) for periods exceeding one week.
  - 1. If the vehicle remains at the residence of the member, the Department shall have access to the vehicle.
  - 2. If the member is unable to provide access to the vehicle, it shall be parked at the Department.
- (i) The member is responsible for the care and maintenance of the vehicle.

### 706.4.4 ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

When driving a take-home vehicle to and from work outside of the jurisdiction of the Sweet Home Police Department or while off-duty, an officer shall not initiate enforcement actions except in

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those circumstances where a potential threat to life or serious property damage exists (see the Off-Duty Law Enforcement Actions and Law Enforcement Authority policies).

Officers may render public assistance when it is deemed prudent (e.g., to a stranded motorist).

Officers driving take-home vehicles shall be armed, appropriately attired and carry their department-issued identification. Officers should also ensure that department radio communication capabilities are maintained to the extent feasible.

#### 706.4.5 MAINTENANCE

Members are responsible for the cleanliness (exterior and interior) and overall maintenance of their assigned vehicles. Cleaning and maintenance supplies will be provided by the Department. Failure to adhere to these requirements may result in discipline and loss of vehicle assignment. The following should be performed as outlined below:

- (a) Members shall make daily inspections of their assigned vehicles for service/ maintenance requirements and damage.
- (b) It is the member's responsibility to ensure that his/her assigned vehicle is maintained according to the established service and maintenance schedule.
- (c) All scheduled vehicle maintenance and car washes shall be performed as necessary at a facility approved by the department supervisor in charge of vehicle maintenance.
- (d) The Department shall be notified of problems with the vehicle and approve any major repairs before they are performed.
- (e) When leaving the vehicle at the maintenance facility, the member will complete a vehicle repair card explaining the service or repair, and leave it on the seat or dash.
- (f) All weapons shall be removed from any vehicle left for maintenance.
- (g) Supervisors shall make, at a minimum, monthly inspections of vehicles assigned to members under their command to ensure the vehicles are being maintained in accordance with this policy.

## 706.5 UNMARKED VEHICLES

Unmarked vehicles are assigned to various divisions and their use is restricted to the respective division and the assigned member, unless otherwise approved by a supervisor. Any member operating an unmarked vehicle shall record vehicle usage on the sign-out log maintained in the division for that purpose. Any use of unmarked vehicles by those who are not assigned to the division to which the vehicle is assigned shall also be recorded with the Patrol Sergeant on the shift assignment roster.

## 706.6 DAMAGE, ABUSE AND MISUSE

When any department vehicle is involved in a traffic collision or otherwise incurs damage, the involved member shall promptly notify a supervisor. Any traffic collision report shall be filed with the agency having jurisdiction (see the Traffic Collision Reporting Policy).

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Damage to any department vehicle that was not caused by a traffic collision shall be immediately reported during the shift in which the damage was discovered, documented in memorandum format and forwarded to the Patrol Sergeant. An administrative investigation should be initiated to determine if there has been any vehicle abuse or misuse.

## 706.7 ATTIRE AND APPEARANCE

When operating any department vehicle while off-duty, members may dress in a manner appropriate for their intended activity. Whenever in view of or in contact with the public, attire and appearance, regardless of the activity, should be suitable to reflect positively upon the Department.



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# Cash Handling, Security and Management

## 707.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines to ensure department members handle cash appropriately in the performance of their duties.

This policy does not address cash-handling issues specific to the Property and Evidence and Informants policies.

#### **707.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to properly handle and document cash transactions and to maintain accurate records of cash transactions in order to protect the integrity of department operations and ensure the public trust.

### 707.3 PETTY CASH FUNDS

The Chief of Police shall designate a person as the fund manager responsible for maintaining and managing the petty cash fund.

Each petty cash fund requires the creation and maintenance of an accurate and current transaction ledger and the filing of receipts and petty cash reconcillation forms by the fund manager.

## 707.4 PETTY CASH TRANSACTIONS

The fund manager shall document all transactions on the ledger and any other appropriate forms. Each person participating in the transaction shall sign or otherwise validate the ledger, attesting to the accuracy of the entry. Transactions should include the filing of an appropriate receipt. Transactions that are not documented by a receipt require an expense report.

### 707.5 PETTY CASH AUDITS

The fund manager shall perform an audit no less than once every six months. This audit requires that the fund manager and at least one command staff member, selected by the Chief of Police, review the transaction ledger and verify the accuracy of the accounting. The fund manager and the participating member shall sign or otherwise validate the ledger attesting to the accuracy of all documentation and fund accounting. A discrepancy in the audit requires documentation by those performing the audit and an immediate reporting of the discrepancy to the Chief of Police.

Transference of fund management to another member shall require a separate petty cash audit and involve a command staff member.

A separate audit of each petty cash fund should be completed on a random date, approximately once each year by the Chief of Police or the City.

### 707.6 ROUTINE CASH HANDLING

Those who handle cash as part of their property or Narcotics/Vice Unit supervisor duties shall discharge those duties in accordance with the Property and Evidence and Informants policies.

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Members who routinely accept payment for department services shall discharge those duties in accordance with the procedures established for those tasks.

### 707.7 OTHER CASH HANDLING

Members of the Department who, within the course of their duties, are in possession of cash that is not their property or that is outside their defined cash-handling responsibilities shall, as soon as practicable, verify the amount, summon another member to verify their accounting, and process the cash for safekeeping or as evidence or found property, in accordance with the Property and Evidence Policy.

Cash in excess of \$1,000 requires immediate notification of a supervisor, special handling, verification and accounting by the supervisor. Each member involved in this process shall complete an appropriate report or record entry.

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# **Personal Protective Equipment**

## 708.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy identifies the different types of personal protective equipment (PPE) provided by the Department as well the requirements and guidelines for the use of PPE.

This policy does not address ballistic vests or protection from communicable disease, as those issues are addressed in the Body Armor and Communicable Diseases policies.

#### 708.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Personal protective equipment (PPE)** - Equipment that protects a person from serious workplace injuries or illnesses resulting from contact with chemical, radiological, physical, electrical, mechanical or other workplace hazards.

**Respiratory PPE** - Any device that is worn by the user to protect from exposure to atmospheres where there is smoke, low levels of oxygen, high levels of carbon monoxide, or the presence of toxic gases or other respiratory hazards. For purposes of this policy, respiratory PPE does not include particulate-filtering masks such as N95 or N100 masks.

### **708.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department endeavors to protect members by supplying certain PPE to members as provided in this policy.

#### 708.3 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

Members are required to use PPE as provided in this policy and pursuant to their training.

Members are responsible for proper maintenance and storage of issued PPE. PPE should be stored in an appropriate location so that it is available when needed.

Any member who identifies hazards in the workplace is encouraged to utilize the procedures in the Illness and Injury Prevention Policy to recommend new or improved PPE or additional needs for PPE.

### 708.4 HEARING PROTECTION

Approved hearing protection shall be used by members during firearms training.

Hearing protection shall meet or exceed the requirements provided in 29 CFR 1910.95 and OAR 437-002-0080.

### 708.5 EYE PROTECTION

Approved eye protection, including side protection, shall be used by members during firearms training. Eye protection for members who wear prescription lenses shall incorporate the prescription (e.g., eye protection that can be worn over prescription lenses). Members shall ensure their eye protection does not interfere with the fit of their hearing protection.

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The Rangemaster shall ensure eye protection meets or exceeds the requirements provided in OAR 437-002-0134.

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## 708.7 RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

The Administrative Services Division Commander is responsible for ensuring a respiratory protection plan is developed and maintained by a trained and qualified member. The plan shall include procedures for (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120):

- (a) Selecting appropriate respiratory PPE based on hazards and risks associated with functions or positions.
- (b) Fit testing, including identification of members or contractors qualified to conduct fit testing.
- (c) Medical evaluations.
- (d) PPE inventory control.
- (e) PPE issuance and replacement.
- (f) Cleaning, disinfecting, storing, inspecting, repairing, discarding and otherwise maintaining respiratory PPE, including schedules for these activities.
- (g) Regularly reviewing the PPE plan.
- (h) Remaining current with applicable National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), American National Standards Institute (ANSI), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Environmental Protective Agency (EPA) and state PPE standards and guidelines.

### 708.7.1 RESPIRATORY PROTECTION USE

Designated members may be issued respiratory PPE based on the member's assignment (e.g., a narcotics investigator who is involved in clandestine lab investigations).

Respiratory PPE may be worn when authorized by a scene commander who will determine the type and level of protection appropriate at a scene based upon an evaluation of the hazards present.

Scene commanders are responsible for monitoring members using respiratory PPE and their degree of exposure or stress. When there is a change in work area conditions or when a member's degree of exposure or stress may affect respirator effectiveness, the scene commander shall reevaluate the continued effectiveness of the respirator and direct the member to leave the respirator use area when the scene commander reasonably believes (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120):

- (a) It is necessary for the member to wash his/her face and the respirator facepiece to prevent eye or skin irritation associated with respirator use.
- (b) The member detects vapor or gas breakthrough, or there is a change in breathing resistance or leakage of the facepiece.

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(c) The member needs to replace the respirator, filter, cartridge or canister.

## 708.7.2 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES FOR RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

Members shall not use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), full-face respirators or cartridge respirators unless they have completed training requirements for the equipment.

Members exposed to environments that are reasonably known to be harmful due to gases, smoke or vapors shall use respiratory PPE.

Members using respiratory PPE shall (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120):

- (a) Ensure that they have no facial hair between the sealing surface of the facepiece and the face that could interfere with the seal or the valve function. Members also shall ensure that they have no other condition that will interfere with the face-to-facepiece seal or the valve function.
- (b) Not wear corrective glasses, goggles or other PPE that interferes with the seal of the facepiece to the face, or that has not been previously tested for use with that respiratory equipment.
- (c) Perform a user seal check per department-approved procedures recommended by the respirator manufacturer each time they put on a tight-fitting respirator.
- (d) Leave a respiratory use area whenever they detect vapor or gas breakthrough, changes in breathing resistance or leakage of their facepiece and ensure that the respirator is replaced or repaired before returning to the affected area.

## 708.7.3 GAS MASK

Full-face air-purifying respirators, commonly referred to as gas masks, may be fitted with mechanical pre-filters or combination cartridge/filter assemblies for use in areas where gases, vapors, dusts, fumes or mists are present. Members must identify and use the correct cartridge based on the circumstances (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120).

A scene commander may order the use of gas masks in situations where the use of a SCBA is not necessary. These incidents may include areas where tear gas has or will be used or where a vegetation fire is burning. Gas masks shall not be used if there is a potential for an oxygen-deficient atmosphere.

Members shall ensure their gas mask filters are replaced whenever:

- (a) They smell, taste or are irritated by a contaminant.
- (b) They experience difficulty breathing due to filter loading.
- (c) The cartridges or filters become wet.
- (d) The expiration date on the cartridges or canisters has been reached.

## 708.7.4 SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS

Scene commanders may direct members to use SCBA when entering an atmosphere that may pose an immediate threat to life, would cause irreversible adverse health effects or would impair

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an individual's ability to escape from a dangerous atmosphere. These situations may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Entering the hot zone of a hazardous materials incident.
- (b) Entering any area where contaminant levels may become unsafe without warning, or any situation where exposures cannot be identified or reasonably estimated.
- (c) Entering a smoke- or chemical-filled area.

The use of SCBA should not cease until approved by a scene commander.

## 708.7.5 RESPIRATOR FIT TESTING

No member shall be issued respiratory PPE until a proper fit testing has been completed by a designated member or contractor (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120).

After initial testing, fit testing for respiratory PPE shall be repeated (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120):

- (a) At least once every 12 months.
- (b) Whenever there are changes in the type of SCBA or facepiece used.
- (c) Whenever there are significant physical changes in the user (e.g., obvious change in body weight, scarring of the face seal area, dental changes, cosmetic surgery or any other condition that may affect the fit of the facepiece seal).

All respirator fit testing shall be conducted in negative-pressure mode.

#### 708.7.6 RESPIRATORY MEDICAL EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

No member shall be issued respiratory protection that forms a complete seal around the face until (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120):

- (a) The member has completed a medical evaluation that includes a medical evaluation questionnaire.
- (b) A physician or other licensed health care professional has reviewed the questionnaire.
- (c) The member has completed any physical examination recommended by the reviewing physician or health care professional.

### **708.8 RECORDS**

The Training Sergeant is responsible for maintaining records of all:

- (a) PPE training.
- (b) Initial fit testing for respiratory protection equipment.
- (c) Annual fit testing.
- (d) Respirator medical evaluation questionnaires and any subsequent physical examination results.
  - 1. These records shall be maintained in a separate confidential medical file.

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The records shall be maintained in accordance with the department records retention schedule, 29 CFR 1910.1020 and OAR 437-002-0360.

#### 708.9 TRAINING

Members should be trained in the respiratory and other hazards to which they may be potentially exposed during routine and emergency situations.

All members shall be trained in the proper use and maintenance of PPE issued to them, including when the use is appropriate; how to put on, remove and adjust PPE; how to care for the PPE; and the limitations (29 CFR 1910.132; OAR 437-002-0120).

Members issued respiratory PPE shall attend annual training on the proper use of respiratory protection devices (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120).

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# **Dispatch**

## 800.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes guidelines for the basic functions of Dispatch. It addresses the immediate information needs of the Department in the course of its normal daily activities and during emergencies.

### 800.1.1 CODE OF ETHICS

All communication personnel at the Sweet Home Police Department shall conduct themselves in accordance with the tenets of the Telecommunicator's Code of Ethics.

The Communications Supervisor shall ensure that newly hired communications specialists working under his/her supervision read and sign a copy of the Telecommunicator's Code of Ethics during their initial training and orientation period. The signed copy shall be retained in the employee's personnel record.

#### 800.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to provide 24-hour telephone service to the public for information and for routine or emergency assistance. The Department provides two-way radio capability for continuous communication between Dispatch and department members in the field.

## 800.3 DISPATCH SECURITY

The communications function is vital and central to all emergency service operations. The safety and security of Dispatch, its members and its equipment must be a high priority. Special security procedures should be established in a separate operations manual for Dispatch.

Access to Dispatch shall be limited to Dispatch members, the Patrol Sergeant, command staff and department members with a specific business-related purpose.

## 800.3.1 REPORTING LOCATION, SERVICE STATUS

Officers will keep the dispatchers advised of their location and "service status" during the shift. Whenever a field unit is out of service for any reason, the unit will notify dispatch, give the location and briefly state the nature of the activity. The dispatcher will be advised any time a field unit arrives at or leaves the police facility.

#### 800.3.2 ANSWERING RADIO CALLS

Field units will, as promptly as possible, answer all calls from dispatchers. Dispatchers will, as promptly as possible, answer all calls from field units.

## 800.3.3 COMPLETING A CALL

Officers will inform Dispatch when they have completed a call and return to service. Necessary call dispositions will be given to Dispatch.

### 800.3.4 COMMUNICATIONS DURING PURSUITS OR EMERGENCY SITUATIONS

All units will keep the frequency clear during vehicle pursuits and other emergency situations so that the units in pursuit, or in an emergency situation, can maintain continuous communications with dispatch.

### 800.4 RESPONSIBILITIES

## 800.4.1 COMMUNICATIONS SUPERVISOR

The Chief of Police shall appoint and delegate certain responsibilities to a Communications Supervisor. The Communications Supervisor is directly responsible to the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

The responsibilities of the Communications Supervisor include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Overseeing the efficient and effective operation of Dispatch in coordination with other supervisors.
- (b) Scheduling and maintaining dispatcher time records.
- (c) Supervising, training and evaluating dispatchers.
- (d) Ensuring the radio and telephone recording system is operational.
  - 1. Recordings shall be maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule and as required by law.
- (e) Processing requests for copies of Dispatch information for release.
- (f) Maintaining Dispatch database systems.
- (g) Maintaining and updating Dispatch procedures manual.
  - Procedures for specific types of crime reports may be necessary. For example, specific questions and instructions may be necessary when talking with a victim of a sexual assault to ensure that his/her health and safety needs are met, as well as steps that he/she may take to preserve evidence.
  - 2. Ensuring dispatcher compliance with established policies and procedures.
- (h) Handling internal and external inquiries regarding services provided and accepting personnel complaints in accordance with the Personnel Complaints Policy.
- (i) Maintaining a current contact list of City personnel to be notified in the event of a utility service emergency.

### 800.4.2 ADDITIONAL PROCEDURES

The Communications Supervisor should establish procedures to ensure:

- (a) Recording all telephone and radio communications and playback issues.
- (b) Storage and retention of recordings.
- (c) Security of audio recordings (e.g., passwords, limited access, authorized reviewers, preservation of recordings past normal retention standards).

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- (d) Availability of current information for dispatchers (e.g., watch commander contact, rosters, member tracking methods, member contact, maps, emergency providers, tactical dispatch plans).
- (e) Assignment of field members and safety check intervals.
- (f) Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) instructions.
- (g) Procurement of external services (e.g., fire suppression, ambulances, aircraft, tow trucks, taxis).
- (h) Protection of essential equipment (e.g., surge protectors, gaseous fire suppression systems, uninterruptible power systems, generators).
- (i) Protection of radio transmission lines, antennas and power sources for Dispatch (e.g., security cameras, fences.
- (j) Handling misdirected, silent and hang-up calls.
- (k) Handling private security alarms, if applicable.
- (I) Radio interoperability issues.

## 800.5 CALL HANDLING

This department provides members of the public with access to the 9-1-1 system for a single emergency telephone number (ORS 403.115).

When a call for services is received, the dispatcher will reasonably and quickly attempt to determine whether the call is an emergency or non-emergency, and shall quickly ascertain the call type, location and priority by asking four key questions:

- Where?
- What?
- When?
- Who?

If the dispatcher determines that the caller has a hearing and/or speech impairment or disability, he/she shall immediately initiate a connection with the individual via available TDD/TTY equipment or Telephone Relay Service (TRS), as mandated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

If the dispatcher determines that the caller is a limited English proficiency (LEP) individual, the dispatcher should quickly determine whether sufficient information can be obtained to initiate an appropriate response. If language assistance is still needed, the language is known and a language-appropriate authorized interpreter is available in Dispatch, the dispatcher should immediately connect the LEP caller to the authorized interpreter.

If no authorized interpreter is available or the dispatcher is unable to identify the caller's language, the dispatcher will contact the contracted telephonic interpretation service and establish a three-party call connecting the dispatcher, the LEP individual and the interpreter.

Dispatchers should be courteous, patient and respectful when dealing with the public.

#### 800.5.1 NON-EMERGENCY CALLS

A call is considered a non-emergency call when there is no immediate or potential threat to life or property. A person reporting a non-emergency may be placed on hold, if necessary, to allow the dispatcher to handle a higher priority or emergency call.

The reporting person should be advised if there will be a delay in the dispatcher returning to the telephone line or when there will be a delay in the response for service.

#### 800.6 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The police radio system is for official use only, to be used by dispatchers to communicate with department members in the field. All transmissions shall be professional and made in a calm, businesslike manner, using proper language and correct procedures. Such transmissions shall include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Members acknowledging the dispatcher with their radio identification call signs and current location.
- (b) Dispatchers acknowledging and responding promptly to all radio transmissions.
- (c) Members keeping the dispatcher advised of their status and location.
- (d) Member and dispatcher acknowledgements shall be concise and without further comment unless additional information is needed.

The Communications Supervisor shall be notified of radio procedure violations or other causes for complaint. All complaints and violations will be investigated and reported to the complainant's supervisor and processed through the chain of command.

#### 800.6.1 RADIO IDENTIFICATION

Radio call signs are assigned to department members based on factors such as duty assignment, uniformed patrol assignment and/or member identification number. Dispatchers shall identify themselves on the radio with the appropriate station name or number, and identify the department member by his/her call sign. Members should use their call signs when initiating communication with the dispatcher. The use of the call sign allows for a brief pause so that the dispatcher can acknowledge the appropriate member. Members initiating communication with other law enforcement or support agencies shall use their entire radio call sign, which includes the department station name or number.

### 800.7 DOCUMENTATION

It shall be the responsibility of Dispatch to record all relevant information on calls for service or self-initiated activity. Dispatchers shall attempt to elicit, document and relay as much information as possible to enhance the safety of the member and assist in anticipating conditions to be encountered at the scene. Desirable information would include, at a minimum, the following:

- Incident control number
- Date and time of request
- Name and address of reporting person, if possible

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- Type of incident reported
- Involvement of weapons, drugs and/or alcohol
- Location of incident reported
- Identification of members assigned as primary and backup
- Time of dispatch
- Time of the member's arrival
- Time of member's return to service
- Disposition or status of reported incident

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# **Property and Evidence**

## 802.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides for the proper collection, storage, and security of evidence and other property. Additionally, this policy provides for the protection of the chain of evidence and those persons authorized to remove and/or destroy property.

#### 802.2 DEFINITIONS

**Evidence** - Includes items taken or recovered in the course of an investigation that may be used in the prosecution of a case. This includes photographs and latent fingerprints.

**Found Property** - Includes property found by an employee or citizen that has no apparent evidentiary value and where the owner cannot be readily identified or contacted.

**Property** - Includes all items of evidence, items taken for safekeeping, and found property.

**Safekeeping** - Includes the following types of property:

- Property obtained by the Department for safekeeping, such as a firearm
- Personal property of an arrestee not taken as evidence
- Property taken for safekeeping under authority of a law

## 802.3 PROPERTY HANDLING

Any employee who first comes into possession of any property, shall retain such property in his/ her possession until it is properly tagged and placed in the designated property locker or storage room. Care shall be taken to maintain the chain of custody for all evidence. When not specifically addressed by this manual, collection and handling of all evidence and property should follow the guidelines established by the State of Oregon Physical Evidence Manual.

Employees will provide a paper receipt for all items of property or evidence that are received or taken from any person, if that person wishes to receive one. If a known owner can be established, but they are not present, and the property or evidence is removed from private property or a vehicle, the employee should leave a receipt prominently placed on the private property or the vehicle to inform the property owner that a police officer has seized the person's property.

Where ownership can be established as to found property with no apparent evidentiary value, such property may be released to the owner without the need for booking at the police department. The property form must be completed to document the release of property not booked and the owner shall sign the form acknowledging receipt of the item(s).

## 802.3.1 PROPERTY BOOKING PROCEDURE

All property must be booked prior to the employee going off-duty unless otherwise approved by a supervisor. Employees booking property shall observe the following guidelines:

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- (a) Complete the property form describing each item of property separately, listing all serial numbers, owner's name, finder's name, and other identifying information or markings.
- (b) Mark each item of evidence with the booking employee's initials and the date booked using the appropriate method so as not to deface or damage the value of the property.
- (c) Complete an evidence/property tag and attach it to each package or envelope in which the property is stored.
- (d) Place the case number in the upper right-hand corner of the bag.
- (e) The original property form shall be submitted with the case report. A copy shall be placed with the property in the temporary property locker or with the property is stored somewhere other than a property locker.
- (f) When the property is too large to be placed in a locker, the item may be retained in the supply room. Submit the completed property record into a numbered locker indicating the location of the property.

## 802.3.2 EXPLOSIVES/HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES

Officers who encounter a suspected explosive device shall promptly notify their immediate supervisor or the Patrol Sergeant. The bomb squad will be called to handle explosive-related incidents and will be responsible for the handling, storage, sampling and disposal of all suspected explosives. In the event of military ordnance, the closest military unit shall be notified and will be responsible for removal of the device.

Explosives will not be retained in the police facility. Only fireworks that are considered stable and safe and road flares or similar signaling devices may be booked into property. All such items shall be stored in proper containers and in an area designated for the storage of flammable materials. The property and evidence technician is responsible for transporting to the Fire Department, on a regular basis, any fireworks or signaling devices that are not retained as evidence.

### 802.3.3 EXCEPTIONAL HANDLING

Certain property items require a separate process. The following items shall be processed in the described manner:

- (a) Bodily fluids such as blood or semen stains shall be air dried prior to booking and packages should be labeled with a biohazard sticker.
- (b) License plates found not to be stolen or connected with a known crime should be released directly to the property and evidence technician or placed in the designated container for return to the Department of Motor Vehicles. No formal property booking process is required.
- (c) All bicycles and bicycle frames require a property record. Property tags will be securely attached to each bicycle or bicycle frame. The property may be released directly to the property and evidence technician or placed in the bicycle storage area until a property and evidence technician can log the property.

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(d) All cash shall be counted in the presence of two law enforcement employees and initialed by each..

City property, unless connected to a known criminal case, should be released directly to the appropriate City department. No formal booking is required. In cases where no responsible person can be located, the property should be booked for safekeeping in the normal manner.

### 802.3.4 COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION OF DNA EVIDENCE

Because DNA evidence can play a key role in establishing guilt or innocence, it is important that such evidence be collected, handled, and preserved in a manner that will maintain its integrity for future testing. Unless impracticable to do so, officers should collect samples of all biological evidence that may reasonably be used to incriminate or exculpate any person as part of any criminal death investigation or a sex crime listed in ORS 163A.005. The property and evidence technician will be responsible to ensure that biological evidence is preserved in an amount and manner that is sufficient to develop a DNA profile.

Collection and preservation should follow established protocols as outlined in the Oregon Physical Evidence Manual.

## 802.3.5 COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION OF SAFE KITS

Under current law, victims of sexual assault may seek medical assessment and choose not to make a report to law enforcement, yet still have evidence collected and preserved. The Sweet Home Police Department will collect and maintain the chain of evidence for all Oregon State Police Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Kits (SAFE Kits) and any associated evidence collected by medical facilities in this jurisdiction for victims of sexual assault, regardless of where the assault may have occurred. Victims who choose to remain anonymous and not make a report shall not be required to do so (ORS 147.397).

The collection and preservation of SAFE Kits from anonymous victims shall be handled by the Investigation Division, which shall assign a detective to ensure their proper collection and preservation. When a medical facility notifies this department that evidence of a sexual assault has been collected and a SAFE Kit is available, the assigned detective shall be responsible for the following:

- (a) Respond promptly to the medical facility to retrieve the evidence.
- (b) Provide a unique case number to a responsible representative of the medical facility, which will be provided to the victim. The case number will be used to identify all associated evidence so that a chain of evidence can be maintained in the event the victim later decides to report the assault.
- (c) Ensure that no identifying information regarding the victim, other than the case number, is visible on the evidence packaging.
- (d) Prepare and submit an evidence report and book the evidence in accordance with current evidence procedures.

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A SAFE Kit collected for a victim whose identity is not disclosed should be maintained in the same manner as other SAFE Kits, but should not be opened until or unless the victim reports the assault. Opening SAFE Kits may compromise the admissibility of evidence in the event of a prosecution.

## 802.3.6 STORAGE OF SURRENDERED WEAPONS

Officers shall accept and store any weapons and ammunition from an individual who has been ordered by a court pursuant to an extreme risk protection order (ORS 166.527) or a protection order or judgment of conviction subject to the provisions of ORS 166.255 to surrender weapons and ammunition. The officer receiving the surrendered items shall prepare a property receipt and provide the individual with a copy. The officer should promptly forward the original receipt to the Records Clerk for timely filing with the court (ORS 166.537).

### 802.4 PACKAGING OF PROPERTY

Certain items require special consideration and shall be booked separately as follows:

- (a) Narcotics and dangerous drugs
- (b) Firearms (ensure they are unloaded and booked separately from ammunition). A flex cuff or similar device should be inserted through the chamber, barrel, or cylinder whenever possible.
- (c) Property with more than one known owner
- (d) Paraphernalia as described in ORS 475.525(2)
- (e) Fireworks and other hazardous materials
- (f) Contraband

### 802.4.1 PACKAGING CONTAINER

Employees shall package all property in a suitable container available for its size. Knife boxes should be used to package knives. All packages containing evidence must be sealed with evidence tape, initialed, and dated across the seal.

Needles or syringes will normally be disposed of in a sharps container and will not be submitted to the Property Room; however, when required for evidence in a serious crime or in a major investigation, a syringe tube should be used for packaging.

A property tag shall be securely attached to the outside of all items or group of items packaged together.

## 802.4.2 PACKAGING NARCOTICS

The officer seizing narcotics and dangerous drugs shall retain such property in their possession until it is properly weighed, packaged, tagged, and logged into evidence, accompanied by the property receipt. Prior to packaging and if the quantity allows, a presumptive test may be made on all suspected narcotics. If conducted, the results of this test shall be included in the officer's report. Narcotics and dangerous drugs shall not be packaged with other property.

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A completed property tag shall be attached to the outside of the container. The chain of evidence shall be recorded on the property receipt.

#### 802.5 RECORDING OF PROPERTY

The property and evidence custodian shall record all evidence and property.

A property number shall be obtained for each item or group of items. This number shall be recorded on property tag and the property control card.

Any changes in the location of property held by the Sweet Home Police Department shall be noted in the property module.

### 802.6 PROPERTY ROOM SECURITY

Access to the Property Room is limited to evidence custodian unless visitors are logged in and out, including the time, date and purpose of entry. All personnel entering the Property Room must be accompanied at all times by the evidence custodian. If entry is necessary during an absence of the evidence custodian, a combination of a Patrol Sergeant and the Chief of Police may jointly gain access. The date, time and purpose of the entry will be recorded.

Annual independent audits will be completed of the Property Room function with an audit report to the Chief of Police.

### 802.6.1 RESPONSIBILITY OF OTHER PERSONNEL

Every time property is released or received, an appropriate entry on the evidence package shall be completed to maintain the chain of possession. No evidence is to be released without first receiving written authorization from the assigned investigator or his/her supervisor.

Request for analysis for items other than narcotics or drugs shall be completed on the appropriate forms and submitted to the property and evidence technician. This request may be filled out any time after the booking of property or evidence.

### 802.6.2 TRANSFER OF EVIDENCE TO CRIME LABORATORY

The transporting employee will check the evidence out of property, indicating the date and time on the property control card and the request for laboratory analysis.

The property and evidence technician releasing the evidence must complete the required information on the property control card and the evidence. The lab forms will be transported with the property to the examining laboratory. Upon delivering the item involved, the officer will record the delivery time on both copies, and indicate the locker in which the item was placed or the employee to whom it was delivered. The original copy of the lab form will remain with the evidence and the copy will be returned to the Records Division for filing with the case.

#### 802.6.3 STATUS OF PROPERTY

Each person receiving property will make the appropriate entry to document the chain of evidence. Temporary release of property to officers for investigative purposes, or for court, shall be noted on the property receipt, stating the date, time and to whom released.

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The property and evidence custodian shall obtain the signature of the person to whom property is released, and the reason for release. Any employee receiving property shall be responsible for such property until it is properly returned to property or properly released to another authorized person or entity.

The return of the property should be recorded on the property receipt, indicating date, time, and the person who returned the property.

#### 802.6.4 RELEASE OF PROPERTY

Property may be released to a verified owner at the discretion of the property and evidence technician without further authorization. A property and evidence technician shall release the property upon proper identification being presented by the owner for which an authorized release has been received. A signature of the person receiving the property shall be recorded on the original property form. After release of all property entered on the property control card, the card shall be forwarded to the Records Division for filing with the case. If some items of property have not been released, the property card will remain with the property division. Upon release, the proper entry shall be documented in the Property Log.

All reasonable attempts shall be made to identify the rightful owner of found property or evidence not needed for an investigation. Property not claimed within 30 days after notification of owner of its availability for release will be auctioned, destroyed, or disposed of in accordance with these procedures and existing law.

Unless the owner is known, found property and property held for safekeeping will be held for at least 90 days.

## 802.6.5 RELEASE OF EVIDENCE

Evidence may only be released with the authorization of the prosecutor and the officer assigned to the case.

Once a case has been adjudicated or passed the statute of limitations for prosecution, a property and evidence custodian will request a disposition authorization from the prosecutor and the assigned officer. Care should be taken to ensure there are no outstanding warrants for suspects or additional defendants for the same case prior to authorizing release.

Once evidence has been authorized for release and is no longer needed for any pending criminal cases, it shall be considered property and released or disposed of in accordance with those procedures.

### 802.6.6 DISPUTED CLAIMS TO PROPERTY

Occasionally more than one party may claim an interest in property being held by the Sweet Home Police Department, and the legal rights of the parties cannot be clearly established. Such property shall not be released until one party has obtained a valid court order or other undisputed right to the involved property.

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All parties should be advised that their claims are civil and in extreme situations, legal counsel for the Sweet Home Police Department may wish to file an interpleader to resolve the disputed claim (ORCP 31).

## 802.6.7 CONTROL OF NARCOTICS AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Detective Unit will be responsible for the storage, control, and destruction of all narcotics and dangerous drugs coming into the custody of this department.

## 802.6.8 EMERGENCY ENTRANCE INTO PROPERTY ROOM

Ordinarily there is no reason for an unauthorized person to enter the secure areas of the Evidence Room. However, there may be an emergency that makes entry necessary and warranted. A supervisor or senior officer in charge will make the decision as to whether the emergency warrants entry. If entry is necessary, the Property Custodian or designee and the Chief of Police will be notified and requested to respond in order to gain access.

# 802.6.9 RELEASE OF DEADLY WEAPONS IN EXTREME RISK PROTECTION ORDER MATTERS

If an extreme risk protection order is terminated or expires without renewal, a deadly weapon or concealed handgun license that was surrendered pursuant to the order shall be returned to the person after (ORS 166.540):

- (a) Confirming through a background check, if the deadly weapon is a firearm, that the person is legally eligible to own or possess the firearm under federal and state law; and
- (b) Confirming that the extreme risk protection order is no longer in effect.

If a third party claims lawful ownership or rightful possession to a deadly weapon that was surrendered pursuant to an extreme risk protection order, the Department may return the weapon to the third party if the third party provides proof of ownership and affirms by sworn affidavit that (ORS 166.537(5)):

- He/she may lawfully possess the deadly weapon.
- He/she did not consent to the prior possession of the deadly weapon by the person subject to the extreme risk protection order.
- He/she will prevent the person subject to the order from accessing or possessing the deadly weapon in the future.

A deadly weapon that remains unclaimed shall be disposed of in accordance with Department policies and procedures for disposal of deadly weapons (ORS 166.540).

# 802.6.10 RELEASE OF FIREARMS IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDER MATTERS

If a protection order subject to the provisions of ORS 166.255 is terminated or expires without renewal, any firearms or ammunition surrendered pursuant to the order shall be returned upon the request of the respondent after the following actions are taken (ORS 166.257):

(a) Notify the Department of Justice of the request.

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- (b) Confirm that the protection order is no longer in effect.
- (c) Confirm through a background check that the respondent is legally eligible to own or possess firearms and ammunition under federal and state law.

Return of the surrendered items will take place no earlier than 72 hours after the request was received (ORS 166.257).

Firearms and ammunition that remain unclaimed shall be disposed of in accordance with department policies and procedures for disposal of deadly weapons (ORS 166.540).

### 802.7 DISPOSITION OF PROPERTY

All property not held for evidence in a pending criminal investigation or proceeding, and held for 90 days or longer (60 days or more, plus 30 days after notice), where the owner has not been located or fails to claim the property, may be disposed of in compliance with existing laws upon receipt of proper authorization for disposal. The property and evidence technician shall request a disposition or status on all property that has been held in excess of 120 days, and for which no disposition has been received from a supervisor or detective. ORS 98.245 and ORS 98.336 govern the disposition of property held by law enforcement agencies.

### 802.7.1 DEFINITIONS

As set out in ORS 98.245, the following definition applies to the disposition of property by law enforcement agencies:

**Unclaimed Property** - Personal property that was seized by the Sweet Home Police Department as evidence, abandoned property, found property or stolen property, and that has remained in the physical possession of the Sweet Home Police Department for a period of more than 60 days following conclusion of all criminal actions related to the seizure of the evidence, abandoned property, found property or stolen property, or conclusion of the investigation if no criminal action is filed.

#### 802.7.2 DISPOSITION

Unclaimed property will be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of ORS 98.245. Disposal may consist of:

- (a) Destruction
- (b) Sale at public auction
- (c) Retention for public use

### 802.7.3 RETENTION OF BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE

The Property and Evidence Section supervisor shall ensure that no biological evidence held by the Department is destroyed without adequate notification to the following persons, when applicable:

- (a) The defendant
- (b) The defendant's attorney
- (c) The appropriate prosecutor

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- (d) Any sexual assault victim
- (e) The Investigation Division supervisor

Biological evidence shall be retained for a minimum period established by law (ORS 133.707), the Property and Evidence Section supervisor or the expiration of any sentence imposed related to the evidence, whichever time period is greater. Following the retention period, notifications should be made by certified mail and should inform the recipient that the evidence will be destroyed after a date specified in the notice unless a motion seeking an order to retain the sample is filed and served on the Department within 90 days of the date of the notification. A record of all certified mail receipts shall be retained in the appropriate file. Any objection to, or motion regarding, the destruction of the biological evidence should be retained in the appropriate file and a copy forwarded to the Investigation Division supervisor.

Biological evidence related to a homicide shall be retained indefinitely and may only be destroyed with the written approval of the Chief of Police and the head of the applicable prosecutor's office.

Biological evidence from an unsolved sexual assault should not be disposed of prior to expiration of the statute of limitations. Even after expiration of the applicable statute of limitations, the Investigation Division Commander should be consulted and the sexual assault victim should be notified.

The Property and Evidence Section supervisor should incorporate OAR 137-140-0030 et seq. as applicable to the preservation and documentation of biological evidence. Sexual assault kits, including anonymous kits, shall be retained by the Department no less than 60 years after the collection of the evidence (ORS 181A.325).

### 802.8 INSPECTIONS OF THE EVIDENCE ROOM

- (a) On a periodic basis, the Chief of Police or designee may make an inspection of the evidence storage facilities and practices to ensure adherence to appropriate policies and procedures.
- (b) Unannounced inspections of evidence storage areas shall be conducted annually as directed by the Chief of Police.
- (c) An annual audit of evidence held by the department shall be conducted by the Chief of Police or a designee who is not routinely or directly connected with evidence control.
- (d) Whenever a change is made in personnel who have access to the evidence room, an inventory of all evidence/property shall be made by an individual(s) not associated to the property room or function to ensure that records are correct and all evidence property is accounted for.

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## **Records Division**

## 804.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes the guidelines for the operational functions of the Sweet Home Police Department Records Division. The policy addresses department file access and internal requests for case reports.

### 804.1.1 NUMERICAL FILING SYSTEM

Case reports are filed numerically within the Records Division.

Reports are numbered commencing with the current year followed by a sequential number beginning with 0001 starting at midnight on the first day of January of each year. As an example, case number 2011-0001 would be the first new case beginning January 1, 2011.

### 804.1.2 RECORDS RETENTION

All Department records shall be retained and purged in a manner consistent with applicable provisions of the Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules.

#### 804.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to maintain department records securely, professionally, and efficiently.

### 804.2.1 REQUESTING ORIGINAL REPORTS

Generally, case files shall not be removed from the Records Division without supervisory authorization.

### **804.3 CONFIDENTIALITY**

Records Division staff has access to information that may be confidential or sensitive in nature. Records Division staff shall not access, view, or distribute, or allow anyone else to access, view, or distribute, any record, file, or report, whether in hard copy or electronic file format, or any other confidential, protected, or sensitive information except in accordance with the Records Maintenance and Release and Protected Information policies and the Records Division procedure manual.

#### 804.4 REPORTING CRIME STATISTICS

Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) codes shall be assigned to all crime reports in accordance with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting Program. It is the responsibility of Records Division personnel to enter such information into the Sweet Home Police Department data system and ensure that such information is transmitted on a monthly basis to the Oregon State Police Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) (ORS 181A.225).

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# **Restoration of Firearm Serial Numbers**

### 806.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The primary purpose for restoring firearm serial numbers is to determine the prior owners or origin of the item from which the number has been recovered. Thus, property can be returned to rightful owners or investigations can be initiated to curb illegal trade of contraband firearms. The purpose of this plan is to develop standards, methodologies, and safety protocols for the recovery of obliterated serial numbers from firearms and other objects using procedures that are accepted as industry standards in the forensic community. All personnel who are involved in the restoration of serial numbers will observe the following guidelines.

### 806.2 PROCEDURE

Any firearm coming into the possession of the Sweet Home Police Department as evidence, found property, etc., where the serial numbers have been removed or obliterated will be processed in the following manner:

### 806.2.1 PRELIMINARY FIREARM EXAMINATION

- (a) Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction. Be sure the firearm is in an unloaded condition. This includes removal of the ammunition source (e.g., the detachable magazine, contents of the tubular magazine) as well as the chamber contents.
- (b) If the firearm is corroded shut or in a condition that would preclude inspection of the chamber contents, treat the firearm as if it is loaded. Make immediate arrangements for a firearms examiner or other qualified examiner to render the firearm safe.
- (c) Accurately record/document the condition of the gun when received. Note the positions of the various components such as the safeties, cylinder, magazine, slide, hammer, etc. Accurately record/document cylinder chamber and magazine contents. Package the ammunition separately.
- (d) If the firearm is to be processed for fingerprints or trace evidence, process <u>before</u> the serial number restoration is attempted. First record/document important aspects such as halos on the revolver cylinder face or other relevant evidence that might be obscured by the fingerprinting chemicals.

### 806.2.2 PROPERTY BOOKING PROCEDURE

Any employee taking possession of a firearm with removed/obliterated serial numbers shall book the firearm into property following standard procedures. The employee booking the firearm shall indicate on the property form that serial numbers have been removed or obliterated.

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#### 806.2.3 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITY

The evidence custodian receiving a firearm when the serial numbers have been removed or obliterated shall arrange for the firearm to be transported to the crime lab for restoration and maintain the chain of evidence.

#### 806.2.4 DOCUMENTATION

Case reports are prepared in order to document the chain of custody and the initial examination and handling of evidence from the time it is received/collected until it is released.

This report must include a record of the manner in which and/or from whom the firearm was received. This may appear on the request form or property form depending on the type of evidence.

#### 806.2.5 FIREARM TRACE

After the serial number has been restored or partially restored by the criminalistics laboratory, the property and evidence technician will complete a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) National Tracing Center (NTC) Obliterated Serial Number Trace Request Form (ATF 3312.1-OBL) and forward the form to the NTC in Falling Waters, West Virginia or the data may be entered into the ATF eTrace system.

### 806.3 BULLET AND CASING IDENTIFICATION

Exemplar bullets and cartridge cases from the firearm, depending upon acceptance criteria and protocol, may be submitted to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) National Integrated Ballistic Information Network (NIBIN) which uses the Integrated Ballistic Identification System (IBIS) technology to digitize and compare unique markings made by a firearm on bullets and cartridge casings recovered from crime scenes.

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# **Records Maintenance and Release**

### 808.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance on the maintenance and release of department records. Protected information is separately covered in the Protected Information Policy.

### **808.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to providing public access to records in a manner that is consistent with the Oregon Public Records Law.

### 808.3 CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief of Police shall designate a Custodian of Records. The responsibilities of the Custodian of Records include but are not limited to (ORS 192.318; OAR 166-020-0010 et seq.):

- (a) Managing the records management system for the Department, including the retention, archiving, release, and destruction of department public records (OAR 166-017-0005 et seq.; OAR 166-030-0005 et seq.).
- (b) Maintaining and updating the department records retention schedule, including:
  - 1. Identifying the minimum length of time the Department must keep records.
  - 2. Identifying the department division responsible for the original record.
- (c) Establishing rules regarding the inspection and copying of department public records as reasonably necessary for the protection of such records.
- (d) Identifying records or portions of records that are confidential under state or federal law and not open for inspection or copying.
- (e) Establishing rules regarding the processing of subpoenas for the production of records.
- (f) Ensuring the availability of a current schedule of fees for public records as allowed by law (ORS 192.324(4); ORS 192.324(5)).
- (g) Preparing and making available to the public a written procedure that includes the name of one or more individuals and address of where to send record requests to obtain department records as well as the amounts and the manner of calculating fees for responding to requests for public records (ORS 192.324(7)).

### 808.4 PROCESSING REQUESTS FOR PUBLIC RECORDS

Any department member who receives a request for any record shall route the request to the Custodian of Records or the authorized designee.

### 808.4.1 DENIALS

If the Custodian of Records determines that a requested record is not subject to disclosure or release, the Custodian of Records shall inform the requester in writing of that fact and state the reason for the denial. When the denial is pursuant to federal or state law, the specific law shall be provided to the requester (ORS 192.329).

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When asserting that a record is exempt, the written statement of denial shall include a statement that the requester may seek review of the determination pursuant to Oregon Law as identified by ORS 192.329.

If the denial is challenged by the requester by petition to the District Attorney, the Department will have the burden to support the denial (ORS 192.415).

### 808.4.2 JUVENILE RECORDS

Juvenile records are treated differently from records of adults.

Except as defined in this section, reports involving juveniles are generally confidential and may not be released. Any requests for reports or records involving juveniles not specifically authorized by this policy should be referred to the County Juvenile Department (ORS 419A.255; ORS 419A.257).

- (a) Child abuse cases may only be made available to a law enforcement agency, local or state prosecutors, a child welfare agency or other entities as designated by law (ORS 419B.035).
- (b) Court appointed special advocates (i.e., CASA volunteer or employee) will be permitted to inspect and copy any records held by this department relating to the child or ward involved in a case and members of this department may consult with the court appointed special advocate regarding the case. Consent of the child, ward or parents to the sharing of such information is not required (2012 Oregon Laws c107, §105).

### 808.4.3 REQUESTS FOR RECORDS

The processing of requests for any record is subject to the following (ORS 192.324; ORS 192.329):

- (a) Requests for public records shall be made in writing.
- (b) The Department is not required to create records that do not exist.
- (c) Within five business days of receiving a written request to inspect or receive a copy of a public record, the Custodian of Records or authorized designee shall acknowledge receipt of the request or complete the response to the request.
- (d) A written acknowledgement shall advise the requester of one of the following:
  - 1. The Department is the custodian of the requested record.
  - 2. The Department is not the custodian of the requested record.
  - 3. The Department is uncertain whether the Department is the custodian of the requested record.
- (e) As soon as reasonably practicable but not later than 10 business days after acknowledgement of receipt of the request, the Custodian of Records shall:
  - Complete the response to the records request or;
  - Provide a written statement that the request is being processed and a reasonable estimated date by which the response should be completed based on the information currently available.

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- (f) A request for records is considered complete when:
  - Access or copies of the requested public records are provided to the requester or an explanation is provided to the requester where the records are publicly available.
  - 2. A written statement is sent to the requester that an exemption exists and that access is denied.
    - (a) When a record contains material with release restrictions and material that is not subject to release restrictions, the restricted material shall be redacted, and the unrestricted material released (ORS 192.338).
      - A copy of the redacted release should be maintained in the case file
        for proof of what was actually released and as a place to document
        the reasons for the redactions. If the record is audio/video, a copy
        of the redacted audio/video release should be maintained in the
        department-approved media storage system and a notation should
        be made in the case file to document the release and the reasons
        for the redacted portions.
  - 3. A written statement is sent to the requester that the Department is not the custodian of records for the record requested.
  - 4. A written statement that state or federal law prohibits the Department from acknowledging whether the record exists or would result in the loss of federal benefits or other sanctions. This statement shall include the state or federal law citation relied upon by the Department.
- (g) If a fee is permitted under ORS 192.324(4) and the requester has been informed, the request is suspended until the requester has paid the fee or the Department has waived the fee. If the fee is not paid within 60 days of informing the requester of the fee or of the denial of the request for a fee waiver, the request shall be closed.
- (h) If necessary, the Custodian of Records or the authorized designee may request additional information or clarification for the purpose of expediting the response to the request. The response to the request is suspended until the requester provides the requested information, clarification, or affirmatively declines to provide the information or clarification. If the requester fails to respond within 60 days, the request shall be closed.
- (i) If the public record is maintained in a machine readable or electronic form, a copy of the public record shall be provided in the form requested, if available. If the public record is not available in the form requested, the public record shall be made available in the form in which it is maintained.

### 808.5 RELEASE RESTRICTIONS

Examples of release restrictions include:

(a) Personal identifying information, including an individual's photograph; Social Security and driver identification numbers; name, address, and telephone number; and medical or disability information that is contained in any driver license record, motor vehicle record, or any department record, including traffic collision reports, is restricted except

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- as authorized by the Department, and only when such use or disclosure is permitted or required by law to carry out a legitimate law enforcement purpose (18 USC § 2721; 18 USC § 2722).
- (b) Personal identifying information of members including Social Security number, date of birth, telephone number, home address, email address, driver license number, employer-issued identification card number, emergency contact information, medical information, or information of a personal nature that would constitute an unreasonable invasion of privacy (ORS 192.345; ORS 192.355).
  - 1. A showing of clear and convincing evidence that public interest requires disclosure may overcome the restriction.
- (c) Member identification badge or card as provided in ORS 192.371.
- (d) Information regarding a member working undercover and for the period of six months after the conclusion of those duties unless the member consents in writing or disclosure is required by law (ORS 181A.672).
- (e) A photograph of public safety personnel without the written consent of that member (ORS 181A.674).
- (f) Personnel discipline action, including materials or documents supporting the action, unless allowed by law (ORS 181A.674; ORS 192.345(12)).
- (g) Certain victim information, including participants in the Address Confidentiality Program (ORS 192.368; ORS 192.844).
- (h) Certain juvenile records (ORS 419A.257).
- (i) Certain ongoing investigation material for criminal law purposes (ORS 192.345(3)).
- (j) Audio or video records of internal investigation interviews (ORS 192.385).
- (k) Certain types of reports involving but not limited to child abuse (ORS 419B.035) and adult abuse (ORS 124.090; ORS 430.763; ORS 441.671).
- (I) Records relating to pending litigation and to potential litigation that is reasonably likely to occur in which the Department is or will be named as a party (ORS 192.345(1)).
- (m) Certain identifying information of an individual who has applied for, or is a current or former holder of, a concealed handgun license as provided in ORS 192.374.
- (n) Specific operation plans in connection with an anticipated threat to individual or public safety (ORS 192.345(18)).
- (o) Any public records or information the disclosure of which is prohibited by federal law (ORS 192.355).
- (p) Any public records or information the disclosure of which is prohibited or restricted, or made confidential or privileged under Oregon law (ORS 192.355).
- (q) Records less than 75 years old that were sealed in compliance with statute or by court order. Such records may only be disclosed in response to a court order (ORS 192.398).

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- (r) Records of a person who has been in the custody of the Department are exempt from disclosure for 25 years after termination of such custody. Disclosure of the fact that a person is in custody is allowed (ORS 192.398).
- (s) Audio or video recordings from an officer's body-worn camera. Such recordings may only be disclosed under the conditions provided by ORS 192.345(40), including facial blurring.
- (t) Personal information of complainants and of officers who are the subject of bias-based policing complaints. "Personal information" means an individual's name, address, date of birth, photograph, fingerprint, biometric data, driver license number, identification card number, or any other unique personal identifier or number (ORS 131.925; ORS 807.750).
- (u) The identity of an individual or an officer from traffic or pedestrian stop data collected by the Department (ORS 131.935).
- (v) Information regarding the immigration status of any victim who is requesting certification for a U or T visa, or any documents submitted for U or T visa certification and any written responses to a certification request except where allowed by law (ORS 147.620).
- (w) Images of a deceased person or parts of a deceased body that are part of a department investigation if public disclosure would constitute an unreasonable invasion of privacy of the deceased person's family (ORS 192.355).
  - 1. A showing of clear and convincing evidence that public interest requires disclosure may overcome the restriction.

### 808.6 SUBPOENAS AND DISCOVERY REQUESTS

Any member who receives a subpoena duces tecum or discovery request for records should promptly contact a supervisor and the Custodian of Records for review and processing. While a subpoena duces tecum may ultimately be subject to compliance, it is not an order from the court that will automatically require the release of the requested information.

Generally, discovery requests and subpoenas from criminal defendants and their authorized representatives (including attorneys) should be referred to the City Attorney, City Attorney or the courts.

All questions regarding compliance with any subpoena duces tecum or discovery request should be promptly referred to legal counsel for the Department so that a timely response can be prepared.

### 808.7 RELEASED RECORDS TO BE MARKED

Each page of any written record released pursuant to this policy should be stamped in a colored ink or otherwise marked to indicate the department name and to whom the record was released.

Each audio/video recording released should include the department name and to whom the record was released.

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#### 808.8 SECURITY BREACHES

In the event of an unauthorized acquisition of personal information, the Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall ensure that an investigation into the breach is made and applicable steps pursuant to ORS 646A.602 et seq. are taken.

Required notice shall be made as follows (ORS 646A.604):

- (a) Notice shall be made to any individual whose private or confidential data was or is reasonably believed to have been breached. Notice shall be provided in the most expeditious manner possible, without unreasonable delay, but not later than 45 days after becoming aware of the breach, unless the notice impedes a criminal investigation.
  - 1. The notice shall be made as set forth in ORS 646A.604 and include a general description of the breach of security; the approximate date of the breach; the type of information that was compromised; the contact information for the person providing the notice; the contact information for national consumer reporting agencies; and that any suspected identity theft should be reported to law enforcement, the Attorney General, and the Federal Trade Commission.
- (b) When notice is delayed because it will impede an active criminal investigation, the member in charge of the investigation must document the reason why a delay in notification is necessary to the investigation.
- (c) Provide substitute notice if notification would cost more than \$250,000 or if there were more than 350,000 individuals whose personal information was breached.
- (d) If notification is required to be made to more than 1,000 individuals, the Sweet Home Police Department should also notify consumer reporting agencies.
- (e) Provide notice to the Oregon Attorney General if the breach involves the personal information of more than 250 people along with a copy of any notice sent to individuals whose personal information was affected.
- (f) Document when a breach of security is unlikely to cause any harm and does not require notification. In these cases, the documentation shall be maintained for at least five years.

### **808.9 EXPUNGEMENT**

Expungement orders received by the Department shall be reviewed for appropriate action by the Custodian of Records. The Custodian of Records shall seal such records as ordered by the court. Records may include but are not limited to a record of arrest, investigation, detention, or conviction. Once a record is sealed, members shall respond to any inquiry as though the record did not exist (ORS 137.225; ORS 419A.269).

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# **Protected Information**

### 810.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the access, transmission, release and security of protected information by members of the Sweet Home Police Department. This policy addresses the protected information that is used in the day-to-day operation of the Department and not the public records information covered in the Records Maintenance and Release Policy.

#### 810.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Protected information** - Any information or data that is collected, stored or accessed by members of the Sweet Home Police Department and is subject to any access or release restrictions imposed by law, regulation, order or use agreement. This includes all information contained in federal, state or local law enforcement databases that is not accessible to the public.

#### **810.2 POLICY**

Members of the Sweet Home Police Department will adhere to all applicable laws, orders, regulations, use agreements and training related to the access, use, dissemination and release of protected information.

### 810.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief of Police shall select a member of the Department to coordinate the use of protected information.

The responsibilities of this position include but are not limited to:

- (a) Ensuring member compliance with this policy and with requirements applicable to protected information, including requirements for the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) system, National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System (NLETS), Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) records, and Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS).
- (b) Developing, disseminating, and maintaining procedures that adopt or comply with the U.S. Department of Justice's current Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Security Policy.
- (c) Developing, disseminating, and maintaining any other procedures necessary to comply with any other requirements for the access, use, dissemination, release, and security of protected information.
- (d) Developing procedures to ensure training and certification requirements are met.
- (e) Resolving specific questions that arise regarding authorized recipients of protected information.
- (f) Ensuring security practices and procedures are in place to comply with requirements applicable to protected information.

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#### 810.4 ACCESS TO PROTECTED INFORMATION

Protected information shall not be accessed in violation of any law, order, regulation, user agreement, Sweet Home Police Department policy or training. Only those members who have completed applicable training and met any applicable requirements, such as a background check, may access protected information, and only when the member has a legitimate work-related reason for such access.

Unauthorized access, including access for other than a legitimate work-related purpose, is prohibited and may subject a member to administrative action pursuant to the Personnel Complaints Policy and/or criminal prosecution.

### 810.4.1 ACCESS TO OREGON STATE POLICE OFFENDER INFORMATION

Access to Oregon State Police (OSP) criminal offender information may be granted when the information is to be used for the administration of criminal justice, employment, or the information is required to implement a federal or state statute, local ordinance, Executive Order, or administrative rule that expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or exclusions expressly based on such conduct, or other demonstrated and legitimate needs (OAR 257-010-0025).

### 810.5 RELEASE OR DISSEMINATION OF PROTECTED INFORMATION

Protected information may be released only to authorized recipients who have both a right to know and a need to know.

A member who is asked to release protected information that should not be released should refer the requesting person to a supervisor or to the Records Clerk for information regarding a formal request.

Unless otherwise ordered or when an investigation would be jeopardized, protected information maintained by the Department may generally be shared with authorized persons from other law enforcement agencies who are assisting in the investigation or conducting a related investigation. Any such information should be released through the Records Division to ensure proper documentation of the release (see the Records Maintenance and Release Policy).

Protected information, such as Criminal Justice Information (CJI), which includes Criminal History Record Information (CHRI), should generally not be transmitted by radio, cellular telephone or any other type of wireless transmission to members in the field or in vehicles through any computer or electronic device, except in cases where there is an immediate need for the information to further an investigation or where circumstances reasonably indicate that the immediate safety of officers, other department members or the public is at risk. In those instances, cell phones should be used if possible. The transmission should be limited to essential details only, with maximized use of law enforcement codes (10 or 12 code), concealing information identifying individuals and offenses as much as possible. Plain text transmission of an entire record (summary or full) is prohibited.

Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit broadcasting warrant information.

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#### 810.5.1 REVIEW OF CRIMINAL OFFENDER RECORD

Individuals requesting to review their own Oregon criminal offender information shall be referred to OSP, Identification Services Section (OAR 257-010-0035).

An individual may review his/her local record on file with the Department under the provisions of ORS 192.345(3), and after complying with all legal requirements.

This department will not release information originated by any other agency (ORS 192.311 et seq). Individuals requesting this information shall be referred to the originating agency.

#### 810.6 SECURITY OF PROTECTED INFORMATION

The Chief of Police will select a member of the Department to oversee the security of protected information.

The responsibilities of this position include but are not limited to:

- (a) Developing and maintaining security practices, procedures, and training.
- (b) Ensuring federal and state compliance with the CJIS Security Policy and the requirements of any state or local criminal history records systems.
- (c) Establishing procedures to provide for the preparation, prevention, detection, analysis, and containment of security incidents including computer attacks.
- (d) Tracking, documenting, and reporting all breach of security incidents to the Chief of Police and appropriate authorities.

#### 810.6.1 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Members accessing or receiving protected information shall ensure the information is not accessed or received by persons who are not authorized to access or receive it. This includes leaving protected information, such as documents or computer databases, accessible to others when it is reasonably foreseeable that unauthorized access may occur (e.g., on an unattended table or desk; in or on an unattended vehicle; in an unlocked desk drawer or file cabinet; on an unattended computer terminal).

#### 810.7 TRAINING

All members authorized to access or release protected information shall complete a training program that complies with any protected information system requirements and identifies authorized access and use of protected information, as well as its proper handling and dissemination.

### 810.7.1 LEDS TRAINING

All members who operate a terminal to access the LEDS network shall complete a LEDS System Training Guide at a level consistent with the member's duties. Each member who operates a terminal to access LEDS must be re-certified by the Department every two years (OAR 257-015-0050).

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# **Computers and Digital Evidence**

### 812.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes procedures for the seizure and storage of computers, personal communications devices (PCDs) digital cameras, digital recorders and other electronic devices that are capable of storing digital information; and for the preservation and storage of digital evidence. All evidence seized and/or processed pursuant to this policy shall be done so in compliance with clearly established Fourth Amendment and search and seizure provisions.

### 812.2 SEIZING COMPUTERS AND RELATED EVIDENCE

Computer equipment requires specialized training and handling to preserve its value as evidence. Officers should be aware of the potential to destroy information through careless or improper handling, and utilize the most knowledgeable available resources. When seizing a computer and accessories the following steps should be taken:

- (a) Photograph each item, front and back, specifically including cable connections to other items. Look for a phone line or cable to a modem for Internet access.
- (b) Do not overlook the possibility of the presence of physical evidence on and around the hardware relevant to the particular investigation such as fingerprints, biological or trace evidence, and/or documents.
- (c) If the computer is off, do not turn it on.
- (d) If the computer is on, do not shut it down normally and do not click on anything or examine any files.
  - 1. Photograph the screen, if possible, and note any programs or windows that appear to be open and running.
  - 2. Disconnect the power cable from the back of the computer box (For laptops, disconnect any power cable from the case and remove the battery).
- (e) Label each item with case number, evidence sheet number and item number.
- (f) Handle and transport the computer and storage media (e.g., tape, discs, memory cards, flash memory, external drives) with care so that potential evidence is not lost.
- (g) Lodge all computer items in the Property and Evidence Section. Do not store computers where normal room temperature and humidity is not maintained.
- (h) At minimum, officers should document the following in related reports:
  - 1. Where the computer was located and whether or not it was in operation.
  - 2. Who was using it at the time.
  - 3. Who claimed ownership.
  - 4. If it can be determined, how it was being used.

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(i) In most cases when a computer is involved in criminal acts and is in the possession of the suspect, the computer itself and all storage devices (hard drives, tape drives and disk drives) should be seized along with all media. Accessories (printers, monitors, mouse, scanner, keyboard, cables, software and manuals) should not be seized unless as a precursor to forfeiture.

### 812.2.1 BUSINESS OR NETWORK COMPUTERS

If the computer belongs to a business or is part of a network, it may not be feasible to seize the entire computer. Cases involving networks require specialized handling. Officers should contact a certified forensic computer examiner for instructions or a response to the scene. It may be possible to perform an on-site inspection, or to image the hard drive only of the involved computer. This should only be done by someone specifically trained in processing computers for evidence. Cases involving networks require specialized training which is available through the Northwest Regional Computer Forensic Lab, the Oregon State Police or another agency having certified examiners.

### 812.2.2 FORENSIC EXAMINATION OF COMPUTERS

If an examination of the contents of the computer's hard drive, or floppy disks, compact discs, or any other storage media is required, forward the following items to the Computer Forensic Examiner:

- (a) Copy of report(s) involving the computer, including the Evidence/Property sheet.
- (b) Copy of a consent to search form signed by the computer owner or the person in possession of the computer, or a copy of a search warrant authorizing the search of the computer hard drive for evidence relating to investigation.
- (c) A listing of the items to search for (e.g., photographs, financial records, e-mail, documents).
- (d) An exact duplicate of the hard drive or disk will be made using a forensic computer and a forensic software program by someone trained in the examination of computer storage devices for evidence.

### 812.3 SEIZING DIGITAL STORAGE MEDIA

Digital storage media, to include hard discs, floppy discs, CDs, DVDs, tapes, memory cards, or flash memory devices should be seized and stored in a manner that will protect them from damage.

- (a) If the media has a write-protection tab or switch, it should be activated.
- (b) Do not review, access or open digital files prior to submission. If the information is needed for immediate investigation request Property Control to copy the contents to an appropriate form of storage media.
- (c) Many kinds of storage media can be erased or damaged by magnetic fields. Keep all media away from magnetic devices, electric motors, radio transmitters or other sources of magnetic fields.

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- (d) Do not leave storage media where they would be subject to excessive heat such as in a parked vehicle on a hot day.
- (e) Use plastic cases designed to protect the media, or other protective packaging, to prevent damage.

### 812.4 SEIZING PERSONAL COMMUNICATION DEVICES

Personal communication devices such as cell phones, PDAs or other hand-held devices connected to any communication network must be handled with care to preserve evidence that may be on the device including messages, stored data and/or images.

- (a) Officers should not attempt to access, review or search the contents of such devices prior to examination by a forensic expert. Unsent messages can be lost, data can be inadvertently deleted and incoming messages can override stored messages.
- (b) Do not turn the device on or off. The device should be placed in a solid metal container such as a paint can to prevent the device from sending or receiving information from its host network.
- (c) When seizing the devices, also attempt to seize the charging units and keep them plugged into the chargers until they can be examined. If the batteries go dead all the data may be lost.

### 812.5 DIGITAL EVIDENCE RECORDED BY OFFICERS

Officers handling and submitting evidence recorded by officers and stored digitally using digital cameras, audio or video recorders will comply with these procedures to ensure the integrity and admissibility of such evidence.

### 812.5.1 COLLECTION OF DIGITAL EVIDENCE

Once evidence is recorded it shall not be erased, deleted or altered in any way prior to submission. All photographs taken will be preserved regardless of quality, composition or relevance. Video and audio files will not be altered in any way.

### 812.5.2 SUBMISSION OF DIGITAL MEDIA

The following are required procedures for the submission of digital media used by cameras or other recorders:

- (a) The recording media (camera, digital recorder, smart card or any other media) shall be brought to the department as soon as possible for uploading into the secure digital storage server.
- (b) The employee will upload the contents of the storage device to the "Evidence Photos and Recordings Temporary Folder" located on the G-Drive.
- (c) If the item is of evidence value, the digital media will be saved under a file with the corresponding incident number. If the media is related to a traffic citation with no case

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- <u>number</u> it will be labeled by citation number. All other media will be filed by CAD number.
- (d) Authorized personnel will transfer all digital media to a security locked location on the server as soon as practical.
- (e) Officers requiring a copy of digital files must make the request through the Records Clerk or supervisor.

### 812.5.3 PRESERVATION OF DIGITAL EVIDENCE

- (a) Only the Evidence Custodian or a supervisor is authorized to copy original digital media that is held as evidence. The original digital media shall remain on secure server and shall remain unaltered.
- (b) Digital images that are enhanced to provide a better quality photograph for identification and investigative purposes must only be made from a copy of the original media.
- (c) If any enhancement is done to the copy of the original, it shall be noted in the corresponding incident report.

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# **Jeanne Clery Campus Security Act**

### 820.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines to ensure this department fulfills its obligation in complying with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act).

### **820.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department encourages accurate and prompt reporting of all crimes and takes all such reports seriously (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(C)(iii)). Reports will be accepted in any manner, including in person or in writing, at any Sweet Home Police Department facility. Reports will be accepted anonymously, by phone or via email or on the institution's website.

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to comply with the Clery Act. Compliance with the Clery Act requires a joint effort between the Sweet Home Police Department and the administration of the institution.

Supervisors assigned areas of responsibility in the following policy sections are expected to be familiar with the subsections of 20 USC § 1092(f) and 34 CFR 668.46 that are relevant to their responsibilities.

### 820.3 POLICY, PROCEDURE AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

The Chief of Police will:

- (a) Ensure that the Sweet Home Police Department establishes procedures for immediate emergency response and evacuation, including the use of electronic and cellular communication and testing of these procedures (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(J)(i); 20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(J)(iii)).
- (b) Enter into agreements as appropriate with local law enforcement agencies to:
  - Identify roles in the investigation of alleged criminal offenses on campus (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(C)(ii)),
  - 2. Assist in the monitoring and reporting of criminal activity at off-campus student organizations that are recognized by the institution and engaged in by students attending the institution, including student organizations with off-campus housing facilities (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(G)),
  - Ensure coordination of emergency response and evacuation procedures, including procedures to immediately notify the campus community upon the confirmation of a significant emergency or dangerous situation (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(J)).
  - 4. Notify the Sweet Home Police Department of criminal offenses reported to local law enforcement agencies to assist the institution in meeting its reporting requirements under the Clery Act (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(F)).
  - 5. Notify the Sweet Home Police Department of criminal offenses reported to local law enforcement agencies to assist in making information available to the

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campus community in a timely manner and to aid in the prevention of similar crimes. Such disseminated information shall withhold the names of victims as confidential (20 USC § 1092(f)(3)).

- (c) Appoint a designee to develop programs that are designed to inform students and employees about campus security procedures and practices, and to encourage students and employees to be responsible for their own security and the security of others (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(D)).
- (d) Appoint a designee to develop programs to inform students and employees about the prevention of crime (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(E)).
- (e) Appoint a designee to develop educational programs to promote the awareness of rape, acquaintance rape, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking, and what to do if an offense occurs, including but not limited to, who should be contacted, the importance of preserving evidence and to whom the alleged offense should be reported (20 USC § 1092(f)(8)(B)). The designee shall also develop written materials to be distributed to reporting persons that explains the rights and options provided for under 20 USC § 1092 (20 USC § 1092(f)(8)(C)).
- (f) Appoint a designee to make the appropriate notifications to staff at the institution regarding missing person investigations in order to ensure that the institution complies with the requirements of 34 CFR 668.46(h).

### 820.4 RECORDS COLLECTION AND RETENTION

The Records Clerk is responsible for maintaining Sweet Home Police Department statistics and making reasonable good-faith efforts to obtain statistics from other law enforcement agencies as necessary to allow the institution to comply with its reporting requirements under the Clery Act (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(F)). The statistics shall be compiled as follows:

- (a) Statistics concerning the occurrence of the following criminal offenses reported to this department or to local police agencies that occurred on campus, in or on non-campus buildings or property, and on public property including streets, sidewalks and parking facilities within the campus or immediately adjacent to and accessible from the campus (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(F)(i); 34 CFR 668.46(c)):
  - Murder
  - 2. Sex offenses, forcible or non-forcible
  - 3. Robbery
  - 4. Aggravated assault
  - Burglary
  - 6. Motor vehicle theft
  - 7. Manslaughter
  - 8. Arson
  - 9. Arrests or persons referred for campus disciplinary action for liquor law violations, drug-related violations and weapons possession

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- Dating violence, domestic violence and stalking
- (b) Statistics concerning the crimes described in the section above, theft, simple assault, intimidation, destruction, damage or vandalism of property, and other crimes involving bodily injury to any person where the victim was intentionally selected because of his/her actual or perceived race, sex, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, ethnicity or disability. These statistics should be collected and reported according to the category of prejudice (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(F)(ii); 34 CFR 668.46(c)).
- (c) The statistics shall be compiled using the definitions in the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) system and modifications made pursuant to the Hate Crime Statistics Act (20 USC § 1092(f)(7) and 34 CFR 668.46(c)(9)). For the offenses of domestic violence, dating violence and stalking, such statistics shall be compiled in accordance with the definitions used in the Violence Against Women Act (20 USC § 1092(f)(7); 34 USC § 12291; 34 CFR 668.46(a)). The statistics will be categorized separately as offenses that occur (20 USC § 1092(f)(12) and 34 CFR 668.46(c)(5)):
  - On campus.
  - 2. In or on a non-campus building or property.
  - 3. On public property.
  - 4. In dormitories or other on-campus, residential or student facilities.
- (d) Statistics will be included by the calendar year in which the crime was reported to the Sweet Home Police Department (34 CFR 668.46(c)(3)).
- (e) Stalking offenses will include a statistic for each year in which the stalking conduct is reported and will be recorded as occurring either at the first location where the stalking occurred or the location where the victim became aware of the conduct (34 CFR 668.46(c)(6)).
- (f) Statistics will include the three most recent calendar years (20 USC § 1092(f)(1)(F); 34 CFR 668.46(c)).
- (g) The statistics shall not identify victims of crimes or persons accused of crimes (20 USC § 1092(f)(7)).

### 820.4.1 CRIME LOG

The Records Clerk is responsible for ensuring a daily crime log is created and maintained as follows (20 USC § 1092(f)(4);34 CFR 668.46(f)):

- (a) The daily crime log will record all crimes reported to the Sweet Home Police Department, including the nature, date, time and general location of each crime, and the disposition, if known.
- (b) All log entries shall be made within two business days of the initial report being made to the Department.
- (c) If new information about an entry becomes available, then the new information shall be recorded in the log not later than two business days after the information becomes available to the police department or security department.

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- (d) The daily crime log for the most recent 60-day period shall be open to the public for inspection at all times during normal business hours. Any portion of the log that is older than 60 days must be made available within two business days of a request for public inspection. Information in the log is not required to be disclosed when:
  - 1. Disclosure of the information is prohibited by law.
  - 2. Disclosure would jeopardize the confidentiality of the victim.
  - 3. There is clear and convincing evidence that the release of such information would jeopardize an ongoing criminal investigation or the safety of an individual, may cause a suspect to flee or evade detection, or could result in the destruction of evidence. In any of these cases, the information may be withheld until that damage is no longer likely to occur from the release of such information.

### 820.5 INFORMATION DISSEMINATION

It is the responsibility of the Administrative Services Division Commander to ensure that the required Clery Act disclosures are properly forwarded to campus administration and community members in accordance with institution procedures. This includes:

- (a) Procedures for providing emergency notification of crimes or other incidents and evacuations that might represent an imminent threat to the safety of students or employees (20 USC § 1092(f)(3);34 CFR 668.46(e) and (g)).
- (b) Procedures for notifying the campus community about crimes considered to be a threat to other students and employees in order to aid in the prevention of similar crimes. Such disseminated information shall withhold the names of victims as confidential (20 USC § 1092(f)(3)).
- (c) Information necessary for the institution to prepare its annual security report (20 USC § 1092(f)(1); 34 CFR 668.46(b)). This report will include, but is not limited to:
  - 1. Crime statistics and the policies for preparing the crime statistics.
  - 2. Crime and emergency reporting procedures, including the responses to such reports.
  - 3. Policies concerning security of and access to campus facilities.
  - 4. Crime, dating violence, domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking awareness and prevention programs, including:
    - (a) Procedures victims should follow.
    - (b) Procedures for protecting the confidentiality of victims and other necessary parties.
  - 5. Enforcement policies related to alcohol and illegal drugs.
  - 6. Locations where the campus community can obtain information about registered sex offenders.
  - 7. Emergency response and evacuation procedures.

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- 8. Missing student notification procedures.
- 9. Information addressing the jurisdiction and authority of campus security including any working relationships and agreements between campus security personnel and both state and local law enforcement agencies.

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# **Temporary Custody of Adults**

### 900.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines to address the health and safety of adults taken into temporary custody by members of the Sweet Home Police Department for processing prior to being released or transferred to a housing or other type of facility.

Temporary custody of juveniles is addressed in the Temporary Custody of Juveniles Policy. Juveniles will not be permitted where adults in custody are being held.

Custodial searches are addressed in the Custodial Searches Policy.

### 900.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Holding cell/cell** - Any locked enclosure for the custody of an adult or any other enclosure that prevents the occupants from being directly visually monitored at all times by a member of the Department.

**Safety checks** - Direct, visual observation by a member of this department performed at random intervals, within time frames prescribed in this policy, to provide for the health and welfare of adults in temporary custody.

**Temporary custody** - The time period an adult is in custody at the Sweet Home Police Department prior to being released or transported to a housing or other type of facility.

### 900.1.2 DETENTION OF PRISONERS

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that prisoners detained in the Temporary Holding Facility shall be released or transported to another facility, per the provisions of this manual, as soon as possible and practical. With the approval of the Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor, this facility may be operated as a Lock-Up facility and prisoners held for up to 36 hours, excluding holidays, Saturdays and Sundays, but the period shall not exceed 96 hours after booking.

### 900.1.3 DENIAL OF ADMISSION (NON-DETAINABLE PRISONERS)

- (a) The Police Department reserves the authority to deny admission of any person. Any person who is seriously ill or injured to where the lay person would reasonably recognize the need for immediate medical intervention will be denied entry.
- (a) Any person who is sick or injured requiring medical attention.
- (b) Any person with a medical condition, including pregnant females who may require medical attention, supervision or medication during confinement.
- (c) Any person who has claimed, or is known to be afflicted with, or displays symptoms of any communicable disease.

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- (d) Any person suffering from a severe mental disorder will require medical clearance before being incarcerated. To obtain a medical clearance the officer will take the person to the Lebanon Community Hospital to be examined and potentially cleared.
- (e) A prisoner who is or may be contemplating suicide.
- (f) Any person suspected of being under the influence of narcotics or alcohol or suffering from the withdrawals of the above will require medical clearance before being incarcerated.
- (a) Intoxicated persons will be processed in accordance with ORS 430.399 (1) which provides: any person who is intoxicated or under the influence of controlled substances in a public place may be taken or sent home or to a treatment facility by the police.

However, if the person is "incapacitated", the health of the person appear as to be in immediate danger, or the police have reasonable cause to believe the person is dangerous to self or to any other persons; the person shall be taken by police to an appropriate treatment facility.

- (a) A person shall be deemed "incapacitated" when in the opinion of the police officer or director of the treatment facility the person is unable to make a rational decision as to acceptance of assistance.
- (a) For the jurisdiction of the City of Sweet Home, "Treatment Facility" means the Lebanon Community Hospital and Emergency Room as defined under ORS 430.306.
- (a) At no time shall a person deemed as "incapacitated" be lodged in the Sweet Home Municipal Jail without first receiving a medical clearance from qualified medical personnel.
- (b) Any person who is arrested for a criminal offense and who is deemed "incapacitated" shall be immediately taken to the nearest medical facility for evaluation and medical clearance prior to booking or lodging in the Sweet Home Municipal jail or transport to the Linn County jail.
- (c) Officers encountering intoxicated persons who are not under arrest for a criminal offense shall first ascertain if the individual is incapacitated or in medical danger due to their intoxicated condition and if so, request an ambulance respond to the scene. The rule in determining if the individual is medically in danger is if the individual is unable to make a rational decision as to the acceptance of assistance you are trying to provide.
- (d) Intoxicated persons who not under arrest for a criminal offense and are not intoxicated to the point of "incapacitation" and the health of the individual is not in immediate danger should be handled in the following manner:
- Attempt to identify the individual, determine their address and phone number and whether someone there can respond to transport them home and take charge of the person.
- Attempt to identify a relative or other responsible person who may be willing to take charge of the person.
- (a) At no time shall any person be booked in, lodged or held within the Sweet Home Justice Center or Jail for detoxification purposes only.

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#### 900.1.4 AUTHORITY TO CONFINE

- (a) Prisoners who fall within the following classifications may be detained in the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility with the approval of the acting police supervisor. Detainable prisoners include prisoners arrested and detained pending:
- (a) Posting of bail (surety release under ORS 135.265)
- (b) Release on Own Recognizance (ORS 135.245 3)
- (c) Citation release
- (d) Transport to Linn County Jail
- (e) In-custody interview or other investigation
- (a) No person shall be confined in the Sweet Home Correctional Facility unless that person is in custody pursuant to a lawful arrest or at the order of the court or other lawful authority.

The Municipal Court judge will be called when practicable and make the judicial determination for the continued custody of the subject arrested for a Sweet Home arrest warrant.

Probable Cause Affidavits will be completed on all subjects who are arrested and held on new charges pending transport to the Linn County Jail for arraignment. Warrant arrests will not require probable cause affidavits.

- (a) The Probable Cause Affidavit will be completed immediately following the book-in process. A Telecommunicator will notarize the PC Affidavit prior to prisoner transport to the Linn County Jail.
- (a) The arresting and/or booking officer shall:
- (a) Make a thorough search of all prisoners booked into the Local Correctional Facility. Female prisoners should be searched by female officers or other female staff whenever possible. If there is no female staff available to assist in a search, then at least two officers will search a female prisoner with their body cameras on and recording. A copy of the video recording(s) will be placed with the case.
- (b) Inventory, record and secure all property removed from the prisoner's person for safekeeping. Issue signed receipt for all property held for safekeeping.
- (c) Remove all hazardous items and clothing from the prisoner's person. All inmates will be placed in appropriate issue jail clothing.
- (d) Obtain appropriate fingerprints as required.
- (e) All prisoners arrested will be photographed during book-in process.
- (f) Complete the prisoner classification and screening form as detailed in Sweet Home Policy 900.3.3 Jail Operations - Inmate Classification. The arresting officer will seek approval from his or her supervisor regarding the decision to keep the prisoner or transport.
- (g) Complete the Sweet Home Police Department book-in form.

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(h) Issue clothing, bedding, and personal hygiene supplies.

### 900.1.5 FACILITIES - DEFINITIONS

**Temporary Hold** - means a facility, the principal purpose of which is the temporary detention of a prisoner for four or less hours while awaiting court appeareance or transportation to a local correctional facility (Oregon Revised Statutes 169.005).

**Lock-Up** - means a facility for the temporary detention of arrested persons held up to 36 hours, excluding holidays, Saturdays and Sundays, but the period in lockup shall not exceed 96 hours after booking.

### 900.2 DEPARTMENT ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITY

The following responsibilites for the Temporary Holding Facility operations have been established:

- (a) Facility Administrator: The Chief of Police shall be the facility administrator officially charged, by law, with the administration of the Temporary Holding Facility.
- (b) Temporary Holding Facility Manager: The designated employee will have the responsibility for planning, managing, administrative functions, review of the facility manual and the operations of the Temporary Holding Facility.
- (c) Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor: The employee with 24 hour per a day functional responsibility for the Temporary Holding Facility will be the Patrol Sergeant. Any other supervisor may provide assistance as needed.

### 900.3 PRISONER SUPERVISION AND CLASSIFICATION

#### 900.3.1 SUPERVISION OF PRISONERS

No prisoner will be held in the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility unless there is a designated employee who remains within the police building who can physically or electronically monitor the jail facility by sight and sound. There shall be enough staff on duty to perform all audio and visual functions involving security, control, custody, and supervision of all confined detainees and prisoners. On-duty telecommunicators, police employee, or reserve are the designated employees for this function.

Personal inspections of each confined person are to be made at least hourly pursuant to ORS 169.076 (1).

Prisoners who are or may be suicidal, or who otherwise present a security risk, will be under continual audio and visual electronic monitoring. Physical inspections of at risk or potentially suicidal prisoners shall be at least every 15 minutes.

Those prisoners that are temporarily housed in our facility pending court appearance will be segregated according to the Sweet Home Police Department's classification policy.

### 900.3.2 LOG ENTRIES

All prisoners must be logged into the Detention Log. The log entries shall be recorded in the CAD on a call for service form starting at the time the arresting officer brings the prisoner into the facility.

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It is the responsibility of the Temporary Holding Facility supervisor to ensure that all appropriate entries are made. If the prisoner is a Juvenile then the offense will be titles "BOOKING-JUVENILE" and the dispatcher will select "Jail-Juvenile" from the Agency drop down box. If the prisoner is an adult the offense will be titled "BOOKING-ADULT" and the dispatcher will select "Jail-Adult" from the agency drop down box.

The dispatcher will place entries in the call for service form in the following order:

- (a) Prisoner's Name
- (b) Prisoner's DOB
- (c) Sex
- (d) Race
- (e) SHPD File Number
- (f) Case number
- (g) Date/time of booking
- (h) Charges
- (i) Arresting officer's name
- (j) Disposition of release including date and time

The call for service form must contain the following time stamps:

- (a) In custody time
- (b) Visual inspections
- (c) Any movement of the prisoner
- (d) Any unusual behavior and other significant activity

The Facility Manager should periodically review the Detention Logs and shall report to the Facility Administrator as required.

### 900.3.3 PRISONER CLASSIFICATION, SCREENING AND SEGREGATION

The system used by the Sweet Home City Jail for inmate classification is based on the standards and practices recommended and provided by the U.S. Department of Justice and the National Institute of Corrections.

### Procedures:

- 1. Inmate classification will begin during the booking process when a series of medical questions will be addressed. This is the most basic and fundamental level of classification.
- Once booked into the Sweet Home City Jail, a supervisor will perform the rest of the classification process and may ask questions of the arresting officer, booking officer, and will interview the inmate.

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- 3. The on-duty supervisor will review the criminal history of the inmate and fill out the required risk assessment forms putting the inmate into one of three basic levels of classification within 72 hours of the initial booking.
- 4. No inmate should be allowed unsupervised out of cell time within three days of incarceration but may be permitted with authorization by an on-duty supervisor. This requirement does not include phone access. This is an evaluation period for staff and for the jail coordinator to classify the inmate. Classification can stay the same, be decreased or increased depending on the information obtained by the Classification Officer.

### Classifications:

In addition to the obvious gender classification of male/female the Sweet Home City Jail has been broken down into three basic classification categories:

- General
- Special Needs
- High Risk
- (a) General:
  - (a) This will be our largest population at the Sweet Home City Jail. Inmates classified as General will be allowed work release both inside and outside the facility.
  - (b) General classified inmates will be allowed to work unsupervised outside of the facility. No inmate will be classified or referred to as a "trustee" while incarcerated at the Sweet Home City Jail.
  - (c) Inmates with this classification may be directly supervised by civilian or volunteer auxiliary members of the department at the Sweet Home City Jail.

### (b) Special Needs

- (a) Just as the as the classification implies this group of Inmates will need special attention and may or may not be able to be placed together. They may or may not be able to be released for work alone or together outside or inside the facility.
- (b) The attention this inmate needs results in that they may not be a good candidate for Patrol Officer or Authorized Auxiliary personnel to release alone to do work unsupervised. With the many issues that make up this classification each request by a Special Needs inmate must be reviewed by Jail Administration prior to its application.
- (c) Inmates fitting the Special Needs Classification are, but not limited to, medical, physically or mentally impaired, sex offenders, and anyone who will not be accepted or not fit into general classification.
- (d) Inmates with this classification shall not be directly supervised by civilian or volunteer workers at the Sweet Home City Jail.
- (c) High Risk

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- (a) Inmates fitting into the High-Risk classification will not associate directly with General or Special Needs inmates.
- (b) High Risk classified inmates are not to be released for work detail inside or outside the facility. High Risk classified inmate will not be housed or placed together for any reason because of a serious risk of assault to another inmate, criminal behavior or escape.
- (c) Examples that may lead to High Risk classification at the Sweet Home City Jail are as follows: any new felony charge, any prior escape or attempt, any prior assault on a peace officer, while being arrested or in custody, fighting in the facility or documentation of fighting in any correctional facility, admitting or documentation of being active in a Security Threat Group (gang).
- (d) Inmates with this classification shall never be supervised or left alone with civilian or volunteer workers at the Sweet Home City Jail.

#### 900.3.4 GENERAL

- (a) Every officer has input in the classification of inmates. Officers are encouraged to keep up with the inmate's current classification status and make recommendations to the Jail Coordinator to whether an inmate is classified correctly.
- (b) Inmates are not locked into a classification for their entire incarceration at the Sweet Home City Jail and may be reclassified several times during their stay.
- (c) A system is in place that allows inmates to challenge their classification to get reclassified. Inmates may petition a supervisor in writing to challenge his or her classification status. Both this petition and the original notes of the supervisor will be reviewed by the Chief of Police or his/her designee to decide on the challenge.
- (d) To assist with the classification of inmates, Officer will use the forms associated with the point system model.
  - (a) The first form is the Inmate Screening Form. This is a more intrusive medical questioner that will be filled out by the classification officer assigned to that inmate with in the first 72 hours of incarceration. The form is self-explanatory. Once completed the Inmate Screening Form should be reviewed by the Jail Commander for follow-up if needed.
  - (b) The second form is the Initial Custody Assessment Scale. This form is to be filled out within the first 72 hours of incarceration of the inmate. For this form the Severity of Current Charges will be rated as Felony-Highest, A-Misdemeanor High, B-Misdemeanor Moderate, and C-Misdemeanor-Low.
  - (c) Serious Offense History will be rated the same as Severity of Current Charge using the most serious charge on the inmate's CCH with in the last five years. If the charge on the inmate's CCH is from out of state, the most fitting ORS statute will be used.
  - (d) The rest of the Initial Custody Assessment Scale is self-explanatory and will need some research by the classification officer.

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(e) Using the Scale Summary and Recommendation page the classification officer can make their recommendation for classification of the inmate.

### 900.4 FACILITY INSPECTIONS

- (a) The Chief of Police or his designee shall conduct random bi-annual inspections of the facility to ensure that department policies, procedures, and guidelines are being followed.
- (b) The Chief of Police or his designee will work with the local Fire Marshal (Fire Chief) in keeping the jail safe and secure in accordance with the State of Oregon Structural Specialty Code and Fire and Life Safety Code according to ORS 169.070 (11).
- (c) The Chief of Police or his designee will work with the Linn County Health Department in keeping the jail food service area and overall facility in compliance with existing statutes relating to the sanitary conditions.
- (d) The representative from the Sweet Home Police Department who sits on the City of Sweet Home Safety Committee shall conduct monthly safety, vermin and sanitation inspections with a designated police officer and shall maintain a log of the same.
- (e) Annual Fire inspections shall be performed by the Sweet Home Fire District. The representative from the Sweet Home Police Department who sits on the City of Sweet Home Safety Committee. shall participate in this annual fire inspection.
- (f) Records of facility inspections will be maintained for two years.

### 900.5 LOCAL CORRECTIONAL FACILITY SECURITY

#### 900.5.1 DEADLY WEAPONS PROHIBITED

- (a) Firearms, knives or deadly weapons are not allowed in the Local Correctional Facility area. Officers will secure all firearms and knives in lock boxes prior to entering the jail facility. Tasers are allowed in the facility.
- (b) Exceptions for firearms not being allowed in the jail are in cases of emergency when deadly physical force is required, and exigent circumstances exist.
- (c) Firearms and knives found on arrestees will be lodged in the evidence property room, either as evidence or as property for safekeeping.
- (d) Cell doors are always to be locked when prisoners are detained in the facility.
- (e) It is the responsibility of every employee of this department to ensure that officers from outside agencies have secured their weapons and knives prior to entering the jail area.

### 900.5.2 INMATE SEARCHES

- (a) No inmate will be booked into the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility without first being searched for weapons and contraband.
- (b) Search will be made by an officer or other authorized employee of the same gender whenever possible.

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- (c) In the case of female prisoners, all searches will be conducted by a female officer or designated female employee whenever possible, and male employees shall remain outside the closed door, but available to assist immediately if needed.
- (d) In addition, a thorough search of the inmate's clothing will be conducted. Inmates who have been out for work detail and upon returning to the jail facility and prior to being placed back into a cell shall be searched for any weapons or contraband.

### 900.5.3 REQUIRED CHECKS OF INMATES

- (a) Inmates will be checked at least once per hour. All staff shall physically walk into the jail area and inspect each inmate and cell area through the windows in cell doors.
- (b) During security checks if an inmate is sleeping, designated security staff will confirm the inmate is breathing by watching for the rising and falling of the chest. It may be necessary, if breathing is not visible; to disturb the inmate's sleeping to confirm respirations.
- (c) Observations of each check will be documented on Inmate Log.
- (d) As a general rule regarding Cross Gender Surveillance, inmates should be allowed privacy in that they cannot be viewed using toilet facilities or dressing or undressing for showering or while showering. Employees entering the jail area shall announce that they are entering the cell block holding inmates of the opposite sex. This is to avoid viewing those of the opposite sex using the toilet facilities.

### 900.5.4 DOCUMENTATION OF INMATE CHECKS OR ACTIVITY

- (a) Staff will observe/monitor any activity going on in the cell area that is under video and/ or audio surveillance. If an employee observes/monitors anything which brings rise or concern, they shall immediately report their observations to the on-duty supervisor.
- (b) The officer/employee making physical hourly checks observing or responsible for activity of inmates should document the following entries on the individual inmate's cell log to record out of cell time and other activity in the cell:
- Regularly scheduled checks of inmate activity in cell area.
- Statements by inmate that may indicate he/she is suicidal, an escape risk, a security risk, violent, etc.
- Complaints of medical/health issues.
- Medication administration.
- Day room time.
- Yard exercise time.
- Phone access, if day room time not permitted.
- Showers provided.
- Linen exchange.
- Clothing exchange.

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- Meals served to inmate.
- Trays and garbage removed from cell after each meal.
- Items removed from cell area due to security risk or safety risk to prisoner(s) (including but not limited to sheets, blankets removed from cell to prevent suicide attempt, etc.)
- Contraband found in cell area or on inmate.
- Violation of rules by inmate.
- Inmate leaving cell area for outside work details, work release, if available, jail pass, court, etc.
- Inmate being returned to cell after outside work details, work release, if available, jail pass, court, etc.
- Prisoner being released from custody or transferred to custody of another law enforcement agency or authorized prisoner transport organization.

Any other entries as deemed necessary by staff.

### 900.5.5 ELECTRONIC MONITORING

- (a) The Communications/Dispatch area is provided with an internal intercom and video surveillance system, which allows the on-duty Telecommunicator(s) to monitor the jail cells, and common jail areas.
- (b) During book-in and release processes the volume will be turned up on the intercom so that the inmate or officer's purposeful calls may be heard or when an inmate is behaving contrary to jail rules. On duty Telecommunicator shall maintain constant audio and video monitoring of all occupied cells. It will be the responsibility of each Telecommunicator to check the volume upon arriving for work. The volume will also be checked on a random basis by the supervisory staff as to ensure compliance.

### 900.5.6 PROHIBITED INMATE CONDUCT

- (a) In order to maintain the continued order, security and smooth functioning of the facility, inmates are prohibited from the following activities:
  - (a) Disruptive Behavior No inmate shall engage in the avocation, encouragement, promotion or creation of a riot, disturbance or demonstration.
  - (b) Unauthorized Area No inmate shall be in or at any location not designated by assignment, programmed activity or staff authorization.
  - (c) Assault No inmate shall engage in the intentional physical injury to another person, unless the inmate's actions are necessary for self-defense.
  - (d) Unauthorized Possession of Property No inmate shall take or possess property in their cell or cell area without staff approval.
  - (e) Destruction of Property No inmate shall willfully destroy, alter, tamper with, abuse, waste or deface materials or property belonging to the City of Sweet Home or members of this department.

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- (f) Sexual Activity No inmate shall engage in sexually stimulating activity with another person or themselves. A "sexually stimulating activity" includes, but is not limited to, sexual intercourse, caressing, kissing, fondling and/or manipulation of the private parts.
- (g) Disrespect to Another No inmate shall use hostile, abusive or threatening language or\_gestures in communicating to or about another person.
- (h) Disobedience of an Order No inmate shall fail to promptly comply with a valid order of a staff member. An "order" includes written, verbal and gestured communications, which direct or forbid the performance of some act over which the inmate has control.
- (i) False Statements to Staff Members No inmate shall willfully make false statements or present false information to staff members regarding information needed for material matters.
- (j) Gambling No inmate shall play for money or other things of value at any game.
- (k) Conspiracy No inmate shall enter into an agreement with any other person to engage in or cause rule violations and/or assist another person in concealing the commissions of a rule violation.
- (I) Attempt No inmate shall engage in conduct, which constitutes a substantial step toward the commission of a rule violation with intent to commit a rule violation.
- (m) Possession, Manufacture or Use of Contraband No inmate shall possess, manufacture or use any of the following:
  - (a) Weapons
  - (b) Explosives
  - (c) Narcotics or narcotics paraphernalia
  - (d) Medications of any kind (except when dispensed by officers)
  - (e) Escape devices
  - (f) Moneys or other negotiable instruments
  - (g) Intoxicants
  - (h) Gambling proceeds or paraphernalia
  - (i) Any other item, whether legal or illegal, which could possibly pose a health or security threat to the facility, employees or fellow inmates.

Violation of these rules by an inmate may lead to in-house disciplinary action or criminal charges as is applicable.

### 900.5.7 CELL ASSIGNMENTS

- (a) Inmates shall never be housed more than one inmates to a cell.
- (b) Female inmates should be housed in separate cells and the day room doors closed segregating the females from the male occupied cells.

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#### 900.5.8 CELL AND INMATE SEARCHES

- (a) A security search of the jail facility, inmates, and cell areas may be conducted in order to detect contraband or prohibited articles that may be hidden. Searches will be made at unscheduled times and may be conducted by the on-duty Police Officer or other designated personnel.
- (b) All searches will be documented on the Inmate Logs of prisoners housed in the cell(s) searched and include whether contraband was found or not. If contraband was found, a memorandum will be forwarded to the Chief of Police or his designee listing the names of persons occupying the cell(s), date and time of the search, and a list of contraband found.
- (c) Searches may be conducted while the Inmate is on an out of cell activity or occupied. If contraband is suspected, officers shall move the inmate to an unoccupied cell or holding cell prior to search.

### 900.6 EMERGENCY PLAN

The purpose of the Jail Operations Policy regarding emergency circumstances and the evacuation of the jail facility is to address concerns for:

- (a) The safety of the public.
- (b) The safety of the Sweet Home Police Department personnel.
- (c) The safety of the prisoners.
- (d) The security of the prisoners.

Emergency escape routes are posted in the hallway in the jail area and throughout the building. Documented emergency evacuation and planning shall be practiced by all personnel on an annual basis.

Should the evacuation of the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility become necessary, then the Chief of Police or his designee shall be immediately notified. Further notification will include sworn personnel as needed, the fire department and medical assistance as required.

#### 900.6.1 FIRE SAFETY

Every Temporary Holding Facility and lock-up facility shall be safe and secure in accordance with State of Oregon Structural Specialty Code and Fire and Life Safety Code. Patrol employees shall, at the beginning of each shift, inspect the Temporary Holding Facility to ensure:

- (a) No flammable materials are stored in the detention area
- (b) Fire extinguishers are serviceable
- (c) Cell keys are available in the Dispatch area for emergency use
- (d) First aid kits are readily available and completely stocked
- (e) Smoke detectors are operational

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The Facility Supervisor or his/her designee shall inspect the facility on a monthly basis. The results of the monthly inspection shall be documented in writing. The inspection record shall be maintained for two years.

### 900.6.2 FIRE PROCEDURES

- (a) In the event of a fire in the detention area the discovering employee should immediately:
  - 1. Notify the Fire Department, Patrol Sergeant and on-duty patrol personnel simultaneously through Dispatch
  - 2. Initiate movement of all prisoners to an area of safety through the utilization of the evacuation plan
  - 3. Begin fire suppression procedures as applicable
- (b) Responding patrol officers should be responsible for:
  - 1. The evacuation of prisoners. The evacuated prisoners will be handcuffed and placed in patrol cars until the Temporary Holding Facility supervisor determines where they are to be housed.
  - Obtaining medical services as needed.
  - 3. Arranging transportation of prisoners to the County Jail or other Temporary Holding Facility as necessary.
  - 4. Initiating an investigation concerning the origin of the fire along with filing necessary reports.
- (c) The Facility Manager, in coordination with the Fire Department and qualified first aid/ CPR instructional personnel, shall oversee the training of all department personnel and ensure that they are familiar with:
  - 1. The Temporary Holding Facility policy and procedures; and
  - 2. Fire safety and evacuation plan including the use of the fire extinguisher
- (d) The Fire Marshal should make annual inspections of the Temporary Holding Facility.

### 900.6.3 ESCAPE

- (a) In the event of an escape from the facility, the duty supervisor or senior officer will immediately advise all other local agencies. They should be given a complete description of the escapee, including any possible destination.
- (b) The method of escape will be determined and immediate measures taken to prevent further escapes.
- (c) The duty supervisor will notify the Chief of Police of the escape and exhaust every effort to effect re-capture.
- (d) Upon capture of the escapee, he/she will be lodged on the additional charge of escape. The degree of escape will be determined by the circumstances of the escape.

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### 900.6.4 ASSAULT

- (a) In the event of an assault by an inmate upon an officer or another inmate, the inmate responsible will immediately be placed in a cell.
- (b) The Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor or Senior Officer will ensure that there are enough personnel present to handle the situation.
- (c) An additional charge of assault will be placed against the inmate.
- (d) The Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor will notify the Chief of Police.

### 900.6.5 RIOT

- (a) A person commits the crime of riot if while participating with five or more other persons the person engages in tumultuous and violent conduct and thereby intentionally or recklessly creates a grave risk of causing public alarm. This would be a violent uprising within the facility.
- (b) In the event of a riot within the facility, the duty supervisor will immediately call to the station all on-duty personnel. If the Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor or Senior Officer determines that more personnel are necessary to quell the riot, then assistance may be requested from outside agencies and off duty personnel may be called in.
- (c) The Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor will notify the Chief of Police.
- (d) All inmates who were responsible for or involved in the riot will be transferred to the Linn County Jail and lodged with an additional charge or charges as may be appropriate.

### 900.6.6 REBELLION

Rebellion is defined as opposition to one in authority or dominance. This would include passive resistance to authority.

In the event of a rebellion within the facility where the inmates refuse to abide by the facility rules, the incident will be brought to the immediate attention of a Supervisor.

Such incidents will probably not require immediate action; however, a Supervisor shall take whatever action is deemed necessary to ensure facility security. The incident will be reported to the Chief of Police.

#### 900.7 EVACUATION OF TEMPORARY HOLDING FACILITY

If an evacuation of the Temporary Holding Facility becomes necessary, the following should be considered:

### 900.7.1 PRIMARY CONCERNS

- (a) Safety of the public
- (b) Safety of department personnel
- (c) Safety of prisoners
- (d) Security of prisoners

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#### 900.7.2 NOTIFICATION

- (a) Notify a Supervisor
- (b) All available sworn personnel
- (c) Fire Department
- (d) Medical Aid
- (e) Temporary Jail Commander
- (f) Notify the Chief of Police

#### 900.7.3 EMERGENCY EVACUATION

When time permits, all prisoners will be restrained, as deemed necessary by the officer conducting the evacuation. The evacuation will be conducted in an orderly fashion.

#### 900.7.4 EVACUATION FORMATION AREA

All prisoners will be placed in patrol cars until the Temporary Holding Facility can again be safely occupied, or as in the case of an emergency of a long duration until they can be transported to another facility.

If possible, juveniles are to be kept seperate from adult prisoners, and females from male prisoners.

Only after the safety and security of the prisoners is assured will personnel, not detailed to prisoner security, participate in fire suppression or other emergency activities.

### 900.7.5 CITYWIDE OR REGIONAL DISASTERS

In cases of Citywide or regional disasters, a Supervisor may authorize the release of prisoners detained for misdemeanors or felonies involving property crimes only. Every available effort will be made to continue the custody of violent felons or felons accused of violent crimes to ensure the safety of the public.

#### 900.7.6 FIRST-AID/PROFESSIONAL MEDICAL ATTENTION

As necessary, evacuating personnel will apply first-aid techniques to those prisoners injured as a result of the emergency or injured during the evacuation procedure until professional medical aid arrives to assist.

#### 900.7.7 REPORTS

The Jail Commander will ensure that any emergency evacuation of the Jail Facility is documented and that copies of those reports be forwarded to the Chief of Police.

#### 900.8 PRISONER TELEPHONE ACCESS

- (a) Every prisoner, whether adult or juvenile, detained in the Temporary Holding Facility shall be entitled to the use of a telephone.
- (b) All calls must be made collect, unless specifically authorized by the on-duty supervisor or designee. Charges cannot be made to third party numbers, motels, hotels, places

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- of business or to credit cards. Inmates may not participate in three way or conference calls.
- (c) A prisoner should be given enough time on the phone to contact whomever he/she desires and to arrange for necessary items because of his/her arrest. The phone calls are not intended to be lengthy conversations and the officer may use his or judgment in determining the duration of the calls.
  - (a) Inmates may be allowed to make two local phone calls from the booking room phone upon being booked into the facility. Intoxicated, irrational or combative persons, who will not be able to complete the call without assistance, will not be given a phone call until such time the inmate is able to complete the call. All phone requests will be documented on the Inmate Log by the telecommunicator.
  - (b) Department members shall allow reasonable phone calls to be made by an inmate and not in excess.
    - (a) As set out in Oregon Administrative Rules 2911300020, calls may be monitored for security purposes.
    - (b) Directly above each telephone, a sign shall be posted stating in English and Spanish "Phone calls are subject to being monitored and recorded."
  - (c) Should an inmate call a person whom the inmate is restricted from making a phone call to due to a restraining order or court order, that inmate shall not be permitted any further phone calls.
    - (a) Calls normally should not be terminated before the specified time limit, except when the nature of the conversation or the conduct of the inmate:
    - (b) Threatens or plans illegal action
    - (c) Plans activities which violated facility rules, endangers security or endangers the safety of another human being
    - (d) Disrupts the operation of the facility
  - (d) If an inmate requests to speak with an attorney, he/she will be provided with a copy of the yellow pages in the phone book. Employees of this department shall not recommend attorneys to inmates. All requests for legal communication will be documented on the Inmate Log and provided confidentially.
- (d) Calls between an inmate and an attorney, court or court official, legal aid bureau or other agency providing legal services to inmates, or any elected or appointed government official will be made on a legal telephone and will not be monitored. Designated staff will schedule and place the telephone call and verify the identity of the person called. The staff person placing the call shall leave the immediate area where the call is being placed; however, the inmate may be kept under visual supervision by staff throughout the duration of the call.

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#### 900.9 ADMISSION/RELEASE MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH PROCEDURES

All person booked into the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility to be lodged will be screened for injuries and/or medical problems in accordance with Sweet Home Policy 9005, regarding the Medical and Mental Health of Inmates.

- (a) The book-in process requires an initial medical screening that will be completed on every inmate during the book-in process. A follow up medical appraisal shall be conducted by the Chief of Police's designee within 3 regular business days of a person's book-in into the jail facility.
- (a) If the inmate is unwilling or unable to sign the book-in form, the booking officer will note the inmate's unwillingness or inability to sign the form on the inmate's signature line.
- (a) An ill or injured arrestee will be lodged in this facility only upon the approval of the on duty or on-call supervisor. If deemed necessary, the supervisor may require the arrestee medically cleared for book in by Lebanon Community Hospital medical staff authorized to perform such examination prior to admission.
- (a) Should a person in custody of the Sweet Home Police Department who is a sentenced inmate or has been remanded by the court make medical complaints that are obvious to the lay person that the complaints are non-life threatening but may require medical attention. The Sweet Home Police Department shall release such person to pursue medical attention by issuing a pass. The officer may, in lieu of a pass, release the inmate on a citation to reappear in court to have their sentence rescheduled. This will be in accordance with Sweet Home Policy 900.18 regarding the Medical and Mental Health of Inmates.

#### 900.9.1 MEDICATION AND PRESCRIPTIONS

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to exercise proper management of pharmaceuticals. Every inmate has a right to have access to medications that are legally prescribed for the treatment of a health condition.

Sweet Home Policy 900.19 regarding the Management of Pharmaceuticals shall be the mechanism to enable access to the medication within 24 hours. It also defines procedures approved by a competent health authority for handling, storage, disposal and administering medications.

#### 900.9.2 INMATE PERSONAL PROPERTY

All property brought in with the inmate shall be completely inventoried and documented on the booking form, with a signed receipt issued. Any property too large for storage in the jail will be placed in property for safekeeping. A copy of the receipt will be prepared for the inmate, which will include both the booking officer and the inmate signature. (ORS 133.455)

Inmate money shall be counted in the presence of the inmate if possible and sealed in an envelope. Small valuable items of jewelry and the like shall be sealed in an envelope to prevent loss. The booking officer will write the inmate's name, the case number, date and time, and items or total amount of money on the envelope. The officer shall then place his/her signature over the seal of

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the envelope and place it with the rest of the inmate's property. If possible, obtain the inmates signature on the seal for verification.

Inventoried weapons of any design, which pose a threat to staff or inmates, will not be stored with inmate property, but will be placed in property for safekeeping. Items retained as evidence will be processed according to policy procedures.

#### 900.9.3 VERMIN AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

(a) Vermin and pest control.

If personnel discover or suspect that the jail facility has any pests, such as (but not limited to) roaches, ants, silverfish, vermin, rats and mice, the officer shall notify the on-duty supervisor. The officer may take immediate action with materials provided in the facility. A memo will be prepared to notify the Jail Commander and the Chief of Police regarding any discovery of vermin or pests and the steps taken to resolve the problem.

(a) Contagious Disease control.

If personnel discover or suspect that an inmate has venereal disease, lice, scabies or any other contagious disease or condition, the officer shall notify the on-duty supervisor. The officer may take immediate cleaning and segregation action. An inmate examination by the Linn County Health Department may be warranted. A memo will be prepared to notify the Jail Commander and the Chief of Police regarding any discovery of vermin or pests and the steps taken to resolve the problem.

Any laundry items that may have biohazard materials on them shall be laundered separately or disposed of as necessary. All employees and inmates who handle such material shall wear disposable latex gloves when handling biohazard materials.

#### 900.9.4 PRISONER RELEASE OR TRANSFER

The scheduled release of prisoners from the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility will be performed in accordance with ORS 135.010 which is further detailed in Sweet Home Policy 900.17, Jail Operations- Release of Inmates.

Prior to release the following procedures shall be followed:

- (a) The Local Correctional Facility cell should be inspected for damage prior to the release or transportation of any prisoner.
- (b) Any damages should be noted and, if necessary, an additional crime report completed. If additional charges are warranted, they will be made. Photographic evidence should be obtained and documented to support additional charges.
- (c) Prisoners should be required to clean cells prior to release or transportation. If a prisoner refuses, he/she may not be compelled to clean up nor may his/her release be delayed accomplishing this.
- (d) Prisoners shall be released in accordance with state law. The releasing officer will be responsible for the following:

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- (a) All proper reports and forms shall be completed prior to release.
- (b) All posted security funds are accounted for.
- (c) All property, not to include evidence, contraband, or unlawful dangerous weapons shall be returned to the prisoner. Obtain inmate signature verifying return.
- (d) The appropriate documentation will be completed showing the date, time, and reason for release, as well as the releasing officer's name.
- (e) Notifying the Dispatch Center to request a final fugitive warrant check of the prisoner prior to the pending release.
- (f) The prisoner being released will be escorted from the Local Correctional Facility through the prisoner release exit door by a department employee. At no time will a released prisoner be allowed in any secure area of the station without personal supervision by an employee.
- (e) Release of any prisoner's property to any person requires the recipient's signature on the appropriate form. Any request for release of property by a prisoner must be made in writing on the book-in sheet.
- (f) When a prisoner is released from custody, all property will be returned to him/her and he/she will be required to sign the back of the booking sheet.
- (g) If a prisoner is released to the court or an officer of another agency, all property will be released to that officer who will be required to verify and sign for the property. The officer transporting prisoners to court is required to obtain the receiving officer's signature on the booking form as notice of receipt of the prisoner's property.
- (h) Any alleged shortage or discrepancy shall be brought to the attention of the Supervisor who will interview the prisoner claiming the shortage prior to his/her release.
- (i) The Supervisor shall ensure that a search for the alleged missing item(s) is complete and shall attempt to prove or disprove the claim. A written claim by the prisoner shall be requested where the discrepancy cannot be resolved.

#### 900.10 TEMPORARY HOLDING FACILITY PROCEDURES

#### 900.10.1 SECURITY

- (a) At no time are firearms, deadly weapons, or any type of explosive device permitted within the confines of the Temporary Holding Facility. Weapons should be properly secured in the gun lockers outside the entrance to the Temporary Holding Facility. An exception may occur only during emergencies upon approval of the Facility Administrator, Facility Manager, or Facility Supervisor.
- (b) Temporary Holding Facility doors are to kept locked at all times except during routine cleaning when no prisoners are in custody or in the event of an evacuation.
- (c) Cell doors are to be locked at all times when prisoners are detained inside the cell.
- (d) No personnel shall smoke at any time while in the detention area. No prisoner shall be allowed to smoke or possess smoking material in that area.

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- (e) Restraint devices such as handcuffs, flex-cuffs, belly-chains and leg restraints will be used in accordance with existing department policy.
- (f) Use of the leg restraint device or other restraints will only be used upon approval of the Temporary Holding Facility Supervisor and in accordance with <u>Policy Manual</u> 306 that is incorporated as a part of this manual.
- (g) All personnel shall comply with all department use of force directives, including <u>Policy</u> Manual 300, incorporated herein.

#### 900.10.2 PRISONER BOOKING

The arresting and or booking officer should:

- (a) Make a thorough search of all prisoners booked into the Temporary Holding Facility. Female prisoners should be searched by female officers or other female staff whenever possible
- (b) Inventory and record all property removed from the prisoner's person
- (c) Secure property for safekeeping
- (d) Remove all hazardous items from the prisoner's person
- (e) Remove belts, shoes and jackets
- (f) Complete the LiveScan fingerprinting process
- (g) All prisoners arrested, both adult and juveniles, will be photographed using the digital camera in booking
- (h) The arresting officer will seek approval from his/her supervisor regarding the decision to keep the prisoner or transport
- (i) Complete the Sweet Home Police Department booking form
- (j) Complete the Medical Screening form
- (k) If applicable, complete the Conditional Release Agreement prior to releasing the prisoner
- (I) Prisoners shall not be left unattended without being properly secured on the security bench or in a cell
- (m) Prisoners will not be left on the security bench longer than necessary to complete the booking process.
- (n) Prisoners being placed in the juvenile holding room will have their personal property, shoes and belt removed.
- (o) Prisoners that are going to be placed in a cell (cells 1-3) will be placed in jail attire.

#### 900.11 PRISONER RULES AND REGULATIONS

(a) The Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility maintains a working copy of the "Rules for Prisoners" which is provided to all inmates sentenced to this institution. This rule book details the rules for inmate conduct and disciplinary procedures. The booking officer will document that the inmate was issued a copy of this rule book.

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- (b) If a prisoner cannot read or is unable to understand the written rules, the information shall be conveyed to the prisoner orally.
- (c) All subjects arrested and booked into the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility will be given an inmate Request form by the book-in officer prior to being placed in their cell. The booking officer will document on the inmate log indicating the inmate request form has been provided to the inmate.
- (d) The Inmate Request Form may be used by the inmate at any time. The requests from an inmate can include, but are not limited to, requests for legal material, requests for medical treatment, receive religious ministering, and to file a Grievance against this department and/or its personnel.
- (e) All Inmate Request Forms will be responded to in a timely manner if possible.

#### 900.11.1 VISITATION AND CORRESPONDENCE RULES

- (a) Visitation in the Local Correctional Facility will only be allowed by attorneys and clergy.
  - (a) Visitation shall be given to an inmate only to the persons on the inmates list of persons they want to visit. Visitation times are on Mondays from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm and on Thursdays by appointment only upon approval of the supervisor. There shall be no limit to the number of visits of an inmate with his attorney or clergy, however all others shall occur no more than one visit every week. Visits should be for no more than 30 minutes but may be terminated earlier or extended later should the officer need to respond to a call for service in the community.
  - (b) Visitation will occur in the designated visitation room only. When visitation is complete, the officer will transfer the inmate back to the cell. Designated personnel will escort family members to and from the visitation area.
  - (c) Clergy is defined as a person who is ordained for religious service by a recognized church and who presents verification of said ordainment. An attorney is a member of the State Bar Association actively licensed to practice law in all courts of the State of Oregon and/or all federal courts of the United States. Verification of such status may be required prior to permitting such visits by persons as attorneys or members of the clergy.
  - (d) Lawyers, clergy and visitors may be subject to a visual search, metal detection scanning, and outer garment search prior to entry into the facility to accommodate a visit. Should the visitor object to such search, then no visit will be permitted. Designated personnel will visually inspect and use the metal detector wand to assure no weapons are allowed in the visitation room.
  - (e) Only attorneys and clergy members may bring in a briefcase to assist them in their function as counsel for the inmate. Prior to entry the contents of the briefcase shall be inspected for weapons or other contraband. Department staff will not read any privileged documents. Should any attorney or clergy member object to such a search, then no visit will be permitted.
  - (f) Attorneys and clergy shall also be instructed that nothing is to be passed to the inmate without prior permission of the on-duty police officer. Attorneys and

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- religious advisors will be given privacy during the visit and their conversation shall not be monitored or recorded at any time.
- (g) Any conduct of a visitor that is contrary to the security of the facility and/or the safety of the staff and inmates will result in the immediate termination of the visit and the responsible visitor will not be permitted any subsequent visits. Visitations of the family member and inmate may be monitored with conversations recorded.
- (h) No employee or volunteer of the Sweet Home Police Department will receive or deliver messages to or from an inmate, except in the deliverance of mail received via United States Mail addressed to the inmate or via Inmate Request Form.
- (b) All written correspondence, either received or sent by inmates, will be examined except those written communications as specified in ORS 169.076(10), which includes correspondence to or from the inmate's attorney, the Governor, the court, the Chief of Police or Jail Administrator, the Attorney General or the Judge. The envelopes for these types of mail should be marked "Official Correspondence".
  - (a) Each inmate will be required to include a complete return address on all outgoing mail. Inmates must use their name, which appears on our book-in records. Except for official correspondence, all envelopes must be left unsealed until which time the contents can be inspected.
  - (b) All incoming mail will be inspected for contraband, moneys and prohibited publications. All checks, cash and/or money orders will be removed, documented on the inmate's Property Receipt and placed in the inmate's property. Prisoners may receive photographs which do not exceed 4" x 6" and which comply with rules concerning prohibited mail. "Official Correspondence" mail will be opened only in the presence of the inmate and only inspected for contraband.
  - (c) Mail including criticism of the operations, programs or personnel of the jail or department does not constitute a direct and immediate threat to the safety and security of the jail, unless such literature advocates illegal actions. However, this procedure does not permit the passage of such material or writings between inmates within the jail facility.
  - (d) The following are examples of Prohibited Mail:
    - (a) Mail that contains threats of physical harm, criminal activity, blackmail or extortion.
    - (b) Mail that concerns sending contraband into or out of our facility.
    - (c) Mail concerning escape plans, plans for criminal activity or plans for activities in violation of jail rules.
    - (d) Any mail written in code.
    - (e) Mail that contains information, which, if communicated, would create a clear and present danger of violence and physical harm to a person.

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- (f) Writings that pose a direct or immediate threat to the safety and security of the jail facility.
- (g) Mail that contains contraband material.
- (h) Sexually explicit material or writings.
- (i) Any other mail which the Chief of Police, Jail Commander or supervisor feels poses a threat to the safety and security of the jail facility and/or inmates.
- (c) If any mail is censored or confiscated, the inmate will be notified in writing of this action within 48 hours. The inmate has a right to a hearing to contest this action within seven (7) days of censorship/confiscation and must be requested by an inmate. If the inmate is requesting a hearing the hearing will be held and conducted by the Sweet Home Municipal court judge. Notification of this hearing is to be given to the Court and to the Chief of Police or his designee by the on-duty department member. A hearing will be held within reason and availability of the municipal court judge and will be conducted on a normal court day.

#### 900.11.2 EXERCISE OF INMATES

- (a) All inmates may exercise and are encouraged to exercise in their cells to include running in place and other types of calisthenics, i.e. pushups, sit ups, jumping jacks, leg lifts, and so on that develop muscle tone and promote good health. All cells are large enough to accommodate this type of beneficial exercise if the exercise yard is not available.
- (b) Any inmate may request and be provided information on exercise programs that provide for aerobic exercise in the space provided.

#### 900.11.3 OUT OF CELL TIME

- (a) Inmate shall be permitted an hour of out of cell time at once every 72 hours. This can be in the Municipal Court Room which provides for daylight, table and chairs, game board and cards for recreation.
- (b) Additional out of cell time may be granted as the operational needs permit staff time to move inmates back and forth.
- (c) More than one inmate classified for general population may be permitted out of cell time simultaneously for recreation only at the discretion and authorization of the supervisor, however at no time shall males and females be permitted access of any type with each other.

#### 900.11.4 OUTSIDE WORK DETAILS AND WORK RELEASE

- (a) Inmates who are sentenced may request outside work details. The granting of such request is the discretion of the Sweet Home Police Department and not an inmate right.
- (b) Any approval may be revoked for any violation of Inmate Rules and Regulations, including failure to work and failure to comply with instructions from supervisors of work details.

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- (c) More than one inmate classified for general population may be permitted out of cell time simultaneously for outside work details or work release. However, at no time shall males and females be permitted to work together in any fashion or have access to each other.
- (d) Should any inmate leave an authorized outside work detail or in any form depart from any authorized work location or escape, they will be prosecuted for the appropriate crime of Escape I - Class B Felony, Escape II - Class C Felony, Escape III - Class A Misdemeanor, or Unauthorized Departure - Class A Misdemeanor, whichever would be appropriate based upon the facts present. Charging of any of these offenses would make you ineligible for any subsequent work details outside of the jail facility.
- (e) At any such time a work release program is implemented at the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility, any inmate may request to participate in such program. The granting of such request is the discretion of the Sweet Home Police Department and not an inmate right.

#### 900.11.5 LIBRARY AND LEGAL MATERIAL ACCESS

- (a) Jail Library Inmates will be allowed up to two books from the jail library at one time, which is contained on a rolling cart in the jail itself. Reading materials will be exchanged on a one-for-one basis. If books from outside of the facility are donated or otherwise provided for use by inmates, such materials will be inspected to ensure no contraband is in the materials or the matter in print does not contain sexually explicit subject matter. Magazines and newspapers are not permitted inside the facility.
- (b) Law Library This facility will safeguard and ensure that the prisoner's legal rights to access to legal materials are protected. The Sweet Home Police Department maintains a resource for inmate legal research/access through its Law Book Library containing legal material for the Sweet Home Police Department's Jail. This service is provided to inmates who do not have an attorney only.
  - (a) A request will be submitted by the inmate and one volume will be allowed for review. A subsequent volume can be requested and exchanged for the previous volume. No more than one volume will be checked to any one prisoner at a time.

## 900.12 RELIGIOUS EXPRESSION

- (a) The Sweet Home Police Department will not discriminate against any inmate based on race, color, creed, gender, sexual orientation, or religious belief.
- (b) Free exercise of religion will not be restricted, unless failure to impose the restriction will cause a threat to order or security of the facility.

#### 900.12.1 CLERGY/RULES

- (a) Clergy is defined as a person who is ordained for religious service by a recognized church and who presents verification of said ordainment. Verification of such status may be required prior to permitting such visits by members of the clergy.
- (b) Clergy and other visitors will be advised orally and in writing what they may bring with them, may be subject to a visual search, metal detection scanning, and outer garment

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search prior to entry into the facility to accommodate a visit. Should the visitor object to such search, then no visit will be permitted. Designated personnel will visually inspect and use the metal detector wand to assure no weapons are allowed in the visitation room.

- (c) Clergy members may bring in a briefcase to assist them in their function as counsel for the inmate. Prior to entry the contents of the briefcase shall be inspected for weapons or other contraband. Department staff will not read any privileged documents.
- (d) Clergy shall also be instructed that nothing is to be passed to the inmate without prior permission of the on-duty police officer. Religious advisors will be given privacy during the visit and their conversation shall not be monitored or recorded at any time.

#### 900.13 KITCHEN AND FOOD SERVICE

#### 900.13.1 FOOD SERVICES GENERAL

- (a) Meals will be served to inmates three times per day. Meals will be served at regular hours, unless call load or other activity prevents this from happening. Meals will generally be served at the following times:
- 0630 to 0730 Breakfast
- 1130 to 1230 Lunch
- 1830 to 1930 Dinner
- (a) There will be no more than 14 hours between meals except when an inmate is routinely absent from the facility for work or other such purposes.
- (b) Meals will be provided for prisoners detained in this facility in excess of six hours.

#### 900.13.2 SERVICE OF MEALS/SANITATION

- (a) Prior to preparing a meal, the employee preparing and serving the meals will wash their hands with soap and water and disinfect the food preparation counter with Disinfectant Spray.
- (b) Inmate food shall be procured, stored, prepared, distributed and served under sanitary conditions as defined by the Health Division rules as authorized by ORS 624.041 and 624.100.
- (c) The on-duty employee serving each meal will document the service of each meal and dinnerware removal on the Inmate Log. If an inmate refuses a meal, an entry will be made in the Inmate Log to reflect the refusal.

#### 900.13.3 MEAL MENU

- (a) Pre-packaged meals will be served based on weekly rotation chart recommended by certified dietician for inmate feeding program.
- (b) The only food or meals served will be in conformance with the recommendations of an approved dietician and the menu is posted in the kitchen area.

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- (c) Exceptions to conventional diets, such as Kosher, low fat, diabetic, etc. may be served in accordance with a certified dietician's or medical staff's approval. A physician will confirm all special diets required for medical reasons.
- (d) All pre-packaged meal products should be properly rotated and served based on "best if used by" dates when available.

#### 900.13.4 REMOVAL OF DINNERWARE

All dinnerware will be removed from the cell immediately after each meal and all items must be accounted for.

#### 900.13.5 CLEANING OF KITCHEN

- (a) All members of the Sweet Home Police Department are responsible for ensuring the cleanliness of the jail facility, including the cells.
- (b) All members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall clean the microwave(s) after each use. Employees will utilize Disinfectant Spray (spray bottle) to clean the countertop after each meal preparation.
- (c) The officer who serves the breakfast meal to the inmates shall inspect and record the daily temperatures of the freezer and refrigerator on the log sheet attached to each unit on a daily basis. Any irregularity in the temperature shall be reported to the onduty supervisor.

#### 900.14 INMATE HEALTH AND FACILITY SANITATION

#### 900.14.1 INMATE PROPERTY TO ISSUE

- (a) One clean fire-retardant mattress and pillow will be provided for inmate use. These will be located within each of the jail cells.
- (b) All inmates shall be dressed into issue clothing upon booking. Items issued to inmates (including materials to maintain personal hygiene) upon being booked into the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility may include:
- Inmate jumpsuit or shirt and pant
- 1 pair of slippers
- Bath towel
- Blanket
- Mattress cover
- Bar of soap
- Paper cup for drinking
- Copy of Inmate and Jail Facility Rules
- Inmate Request Form
- Pencil

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- Toothbrush
- Comb
- (a) Inmates will be provided a change of clothing to coincide with the taking of showers twice weekly. Clothing will be exchanged on a one-for-one basis with new wear and damage noted on the Inmate Log. Inmates will be provided a change of linen once a week and should coincide at the time of showering.
- (b) If an inmate is believed to be a threat to self or the safety of the facility, issue items may be restricted for use under the supervision of staff and returned to staff after immediate use. This shall be documented in the Inmate log.
- (c) At the inmate's request, (providing they are not suicidal, violent or a threat to the security of the facility), they may possess the following items in the cell area:
- Paper for writing
- Pencil
- Envelope for outgoing mail
- Books where no more than two books per inmate should be allowed in the cell at any time. If an inmate requests additional books, they shall be exchanged on a onefor one basis
- (a) Should an inmate use the pencil to deface, mark, or otherwise vandalize the cell, he/ she shall be subject to additional criminal prosecution and/or appropriate discipline, including loss of the use of items for a period of time.
- (b) No books from outside those items provided by the jail library will be authorized to be given to an inmate.

#### 900.14.2 CLEANING OF CELL AREA BY INMATES

- (a) Cleaning materials will be made available to inmates by on duty personnel. Inmates will receive training in cleaning of cells as required. The cleaning of individual cells while occupied is the responsibility of the inmate(s) occupying the cell(s) and will be done on an as needed basis, but not less than on a weekly basis at a minimum.
- (b) Officers releasing prisoners will direct the cleaning of the cell by the inmate upon release. This cleaning upon release will include but not be limited to picking up trash and placing it in the receptacle, placing items of clothing and bedding in the appropriate laundry bin, removing all other items used by the inmate from the cell and spraying mattress and pillow with disinfectant, sweeping, mopping and sanitizing of all toilets and sinks within the cells. The releasing officer will inspect the inmate's cell area and ensure that the cleanup was done prior to the inmate being released.
- (c) After cleaning is conducted, the employee shall make sure that any and all cleaning supplies given to the inmate are returned by the inmate and placed in their proper location. Officers will document this cleaning on the Inmate log.

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#### 900.14.3 BI-WEEKLY SHOWER REQUIREMENT

- (a) All inmates will be showered at least twice weekly. Showers will be given during hourly checks by reserve police officers or police officers. Showers shall be documented on the inmate log. Inmates will be provided a complete change of clothing at the time of the showering, including a jail jumpsuit.
- (b) If circumstances present an opportunity to provide an inmate a shower at time of booking, then the booking officer may permit such shower. Inmates may retain their own socks (one pair only) and underwear, providing they are clean, but will be provided a jail jumpsuit.
- (c) A disposable razor and shaving cream may be provided to an inmate for shaving upon entry into the shower and shall be returned at the end of the shower.

#### 900.15 INMATE DISCIPLINE PROCEDURES

Prisoners who fall within the following classifications may be detained in the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility with the approval of the acting police supervisor.

This policy establishes the procedures for administering discipline in the Sweet Home Local Correctional Facility. Any use of force shall be in compliance with Sweet Home Police Department Policy. No physical punishment will be inflicted upon any person in the care and custody of this facility.

#### 900.15.1 DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES

- (a) Minor violations are violations of department policy, and Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility rules. Inmates who violate minor jail rules may be subjected to the following:
  - (a) Loss of good time an loss of work time credits of up to 3 days of each.
  - (b) Restrictions of privileges: Such as loss of telephone access, loss of receiving personal mail, loss of reading materials, loss of social visits with family for fourteen days or less; and/or
  - (c) Written or verbal reprimand; and/or
  - (d) Counseling/Warning; and/or
  - (e) Any other sanction which is no more severe than those listed above.
- (b) Major violations are violations of department policy, and Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility rules. Inmates who violate major rules may be subjected to the following:
  - (a) Referral for prosecution for criminal acts and restitution, if criminal; and/or
  - (b) Loss of up to the maximum current earned good time and work time credits; and/or
  - (c) Restrictions of privileges, such as loss of telephone access, loss of receiving personal mail, loss of reading materials, loss of social visits with family for fourteen days or less; and/or

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- (d) Any other sanction which is no more severe than those listed above
- (c) If an inmate is found or suspected of misconduct, the on-duty officer shall be responsible for completing a misconduct report. The on-duty Telecommunicator shall issue a case number and the officer shall complete a detailed report of the incident in question. This report shall be placed in the Jail Commander and the Chief of Police or his designee's mailbox for review.
- (d) In addition, the on-duty supervisor shall be immediately notified of any misconduct by an inmate that constitutes a threat to life, health, facility security, criminal activity while incarcerated, employee authority, or damage to property. The on-duty officer shall be expected to handle any misconduct that doesn't constitute threat to life, health, facility security, criminal activity while incarcerated, or damage to property using formulized procedures set out within this policy.
- (e) Any inmate charged with misconduct in the jail will be subject to subsequent disciplinary action and hearing by the designated sergeant. Should the inmate dispute the findings of the designated sergeant, they may appeal to the Chief of Police or his designee. Requests for an appeal must be on an Inmate Request Form.
- (f) If an inmate engages in any type of criminal conduct the inmate may be subject to criminal charges.
- (g) Officers have the authority to take corrective actions if any conduct jeopardized the safety and security of the facility and appropriate corrective action is reasonably needed. This action shall be removal of items from the cell, i.e. blankets, pillows, toiletries, bedding, reading materials, etc., being removed from the inmate's possession.

#### 900.16 INMATE GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

### 900.16.1 GENERAL

- (a) The purpose of this section is to establish a consistent and equitable procedure for handling inmate grievances by providing the inmate with communication procedures that can answer questions and reduce the necessity for many formal legal challenges and inquiries.
- (b) Specific appeal procedures are provided for disciplinary actions. The grievance procedure and form will be provided to an inmate upon being booked into the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility. No inmate will be subjected to disciplinary actions for submitting a grievance.
- (c) The Inmate Request Form is to be used when the inmate has a question or regarding custody treatment, medical treatment, jail policies and procedures, or other related matter. A grievance may include complaints against the substance of policies as well as their application. A grievance complaint involving a disciplinary disposition will be rejected. The grievance mechanics shall not be confused with the established disciplinary process. Inmate grievances may be filed in all matters except the following:
  - (a) Legal decisions as directed by the courts

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(b) Inmate disciplinary procedures.

#### 900.16.2 PROCEDURE

- (a) All subjects arrested and booked into the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility will be given an inmate Request form by the book-in officer prior to being placed in their cell. The booking officer will document on the inmate log at the appropriate location indicating the inmate request form has been provided to the inmate.
- (b) The grievant has five hours after the occurrence of any specific incident in which to file a grievance. A policy grievance may be filed at any time. The inmate shall request and complete an Inmate Request Form writing out the facts and circumstances of his/her grievance and submit it to the on-duty member of the Sweet Home Police Department staff member within that time frame who the inmate has access.
- (c) The on-duty police officer will notify the Chief of Police or his designee immediately that a grievance form has been submitted and forward the grievance to the Sweet Home Police Department staff member assigned the collateral duty of Jail Commander.
- (d) The Jail Commander shall investigate the grievance and take appropriate action. If a Jail Commander is and will not be available in a timely manner the next sergeant on duty shall investigate the grievance. If it is not resolvable at the Jail Commander or involves the Jail Commander, the next level in the command chain will be used.
- (e) Upon completion of the investigation the supervisor or other investigating officer shall submit in writing the findings and decision of the investigation to the grievant, the Chief of Police, and that jail facility shall retain a copy of all grievances and retained pursuant to established requirements.
- (f) A copy shall also be made of the grievance and placed in the inmate's file.
- (g) The grievant shall have the right to appeal the decision and has 2 days upon receiving the decision to file an appeal to the Chief of Police.
- (h) The Chief of Police shall respond to the grievant in writing as soon as possible, not to exceed three working days.
- (i) Parties concerned may extend any time limit upon mutual agreement.
- (j) Nothing in this procedure will restrict an inmate's legal right to file with the court or seek any other form of legal relief.

#### 900.17 RELEASE OF INMATES

#### 900.17.1 GENERAL PROCEDURES

- (a) Prisoners of a county or city jail serving a mandatory minimum term specifically limited to weekends shall be released only at the time fixed in the sentence. (ORS 137.375) Any questions regarding release dates shall be forwarded to a supervisor.
- (b) The time of release on the date of release shall be from 08:00 am to 7:00 pm at the availability of the officers. Inmates should be released during the hourly checks.
- (c) Inmates may not be kept longer than the court sentenced.

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- (d) Arrestees shall not be detained in custody in violation of arraignment requirements as mandated in ORS 135.010.
- (e) Any time where an inmate spends part of a day in custody, such as in book in, it shall be counted as one full day of credit for time served.
- (f) Prior to an inmate being released, a request will be made to the on-duty dispatcher who will check to see that the inmate has no wants, warrants or detainer's that would bar them from being released. If an inmate does have a valid warrant or detainer the dispatcher will contact the entering agency and advise them that the inmate is done with our charges and is ready for transport. Upon the direction of the on-duty or on call Sergeant, the dispatcher will inform the agency to specify the desired disposition of the inmate. The dispatcher will also relay this information to the entering agency in the form of a Teletype.
- (g) The releasing officer shall be responsible to ensure the outgoing inmate receives the proper paperwork, including (but not limited to) Release Agreement and Bail Receipt, when applicable.
- (h) Inmate's property shall be retrieved from the property storage lockers and released to the inmate. This includes all prescription medications belonging to the inmate. Prior toreleasing any property, the releasing officer and the inmate should inspect the property receipt to ensure all items listed are returned appropriately. The inmate must sign the Property Form prior to receiving his/her property.
- (i) The releasing officer shall ensure that no property belonging to the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility leaves with the inmate.

900.17.2 RESPONSIBILITY FOR DETERMINATION CHANGES OF RELEASE DATES It shall be the responsibility of the Chief of Police or his designee to re-compute release dates if there are changes such as loss of work or good time and refusal to work.

#### 900.17.3 TEMPORARY LEAVE

- (a) Any prisoner serving a sentence in this facility may be eligible for temporary leave for a period not to exceed 10 days for the purpose of visiting a seriously ill relative, to attend the funeral of a relative, or to obtain medical services not otherwise available.
- (b) All Inmate Request Forms that are for temporary leave must be presented to the Chief of Police or his designee, i.e., Jail Coordinator, for decision. Exemptions shall normally be restricted to those prisoners who are considered a possible threat to society or for those who pose a risk of not returning at the termination of such leave.
- (c) Upon determining that circumstances are suitable for a prisoner to be granted temporary leave, the Chief of Police or his designee may grant leave to the prisoner and fix the duration and conditions of the leave.
- (d) Temporary Leave will be counted as time served in custody even though the inmate is not in custody. Should an inmate fail to return from leave, a report shall be prepared by an on-duty police officer and the inmate, if found, arrested based upon probable cause for unauthorized department, escape, and any other offense where probably cause exists. The report shall be the basis for disciplinary action upon return to custody.

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#### 900.17.4 EARLY RELEASE

- (a) Inmates held on probable cause misdemeanor arrests may be cited and released at the discretion of the on-duty supervisor to manage inmate populations.
- (b) Sentenced inmates with 24 hours or less time to be served may be released at the discretion of the on-duty or on call supervisor at any time to manage inmate populations.
- (c) The Municipal Court Judge, as the sentencing authority, shall be contacted by phone should an early release due to inmate population management conflicts with established limits of inmate population when all previous measures are found insufficient to maintain required jail population levels.
- (d) Should the judge not be available and a Pro Tern Judge has not been designated or is not available, then the Chief of Police or his designees shall release sentenced inmates with the earliest scheduled release, attempting to release last those persons charged DUII offenses.
- (e) Any early release of an inmate shall be documented on the inmate log.
- (f) Any sentenced inmate released under this early release will be deemed as having served their sentence in full.

#### 900.18 MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH OF INMATES

#### 900.18.1 MEDICAL AND DENTAL HEALTH/EVALUATION/TREATMENT

- (a) Should a person be taken into custody by a Sweet Home police officer who is not a sentenced inmate and needs emergency medical attention, they may be transported by an officer to the Lebanon Community Hospital for a medical clearance provided moving the person will not result in further injury and upon arrival released from custody for medical treatment. Should moving the person result in further injury, the officer shall request Sweet Home Fire District Medic respond, release the person from custody, and the ambulance may transport to the Sweet Home Emergency Room. The on-duty supervisor must be contacted. The supervisor may require an officer stand by to take the person into custody upon treatment and release by the hospital or may require an officer to submit the case to the District Attorney or City Prosecutor for prosecution.
- (b) Should a person in custody of the Sweet Home Police Department who is not a sentenced inmate make medical complaints that are obvious to the lay person that the complaints are non-life threatening shall be permitted access to a phone and permitted to phone a physician or medical facility of their choice and make an appointment with a physician. The officer shall verify with the physician, physician's staff, or medical facility that the inmate factually made the appointment. The Sweet Home Police Department shall release such person in time to appear for their appointment and issue a citation to the person to appear in Municipal Court.
- (c) Should a person be taken into custody by a Sweet Home police officer who is a sentenced inmate or remanded by the court that needs emergency medical attention or claims to be in need of emergency medical attention the officer shall request a Sweet

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Home Fire District Medic respond. They may be released on a pass and required upon return to submit documentation establishing that a true medical emergency existed. The officer may, in lieu of a pass, release the inmate on a citation to reappear in court to have their sentence rescheduled.

- (d) Should a person in custody of the Sweet Home Police Department who is a sentenced inmate or has been remanded by the court make medical complaints that are obvious to the lay person that the complaints are non-life threatening, the inmate shall be permitted access to a phone and permitted to phone a physician or medical facility of their choice and make an appointment with a physician. The officer shall verify with the physician, physician's staff, or medical facility that the inmate factually made the appointment. The Sweet Home Police Department shall release such person in time to appear for their appointment on a pass. The officer may, in lieu of a pass, release the inmate on a citation to reappear in court to have their sentence rescheduled.
- (e) If at any time a person in the custody of the Sweet Home Police Department who is kept in custody and taken to a medical facility for treatment, the person shall be searched thoroughly prior to and after return to the jail facility.
- (f) Any medical release forms or other medical documentation, along with any written prescriptive orders, must be returned to the jail facility with the inmate and will be part of the permanent records. Inmate medical files shall be kept separate from criminal files.
- (g) An inmate may request medical, dental, or mental health services by contacting an officer. Absent any emergency condition as described above in this section inmates shall be permitted access to the phone and offered the opportunity to make necessary arrangements for treatment or delivery of such services.
- (h) Should an inmate require medical laboratory testing, they shall be permitted to obtain such testing at the Lebanon Community Hospital laboratory.
- (i) An inmate who requires testing of their blood sugar levels shall be permitted to perform such test upon themselves in the presence of staff and record the information of the testing.
- (j) An inmate who requires testing of their blood pressure shall be permitted access to a digital blood pressure/heart rate cuff device maintained in the booking area and record the information of the testing. The inmate shall test their own blood pressure.
- (k) Clinical decisions are the sole province of the responsible clinician or physician and are not to be countermanded by non-clinicians or non-physicians.
- (I) Should health care ever be required to be rendered against the will of the inmate (patient), it will be performed in accordance with state and federal laws, and regulations.
- (m) If medical care is refused by an inmate and they refuse to sign the refusal form, it must be signed by at least two witnesses. If the refusal is for critical or acute care and if there is concern about the decision-making capacity of the inmate, an evaluation will be done by mental health care personnel.

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- (n) Officers will not sign any medical forms without an on-duty supervisor's approval to prevent any unauthorized incurrence of responsibility for medical bills.
- (o) A follow up medical and mental health appraisal shall be conducted by the Chief of Police's designee within 3 regular business days of a person's book into the jail facility. An additional follow up medical health and mental health appraisal shall be conducted within 3 regular business days of an inmate's initial thirtieth day in custody.

#### 900.18.2 OBTAINING PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS

- (a) When information is received that an inmate is currently taking any prescription medication, it is essential to obtain that medication immediately.
- (b) It is the responsibility of the on-duty officer to obtain this medication; if the medication is not immediately available, note that in the inmate log.
- (c) Officers are to get all pertinent information from the inmate regarding the medication (i.e., medication type, doctor name, etc.) and note that information in the comment section of the medical assessment form and that information is to be passed on to next shift so inmates can be sure to get the medication as soon as possible.
- (d) If an inmate is booked into jail and states he/she needs medication, officers shall pursue all reasonable avenues to have the inmate find someone to get the medications for the inmate and can have that person either pick up the prescription or bring the medication from home with the prescription container. If the inmate cannot or will not find anybody that can get or bring in the medication, then officers shall determine what medication the inmate needs by asking them. They shall attempt to determine by asking the inmate if the inmate has been taking the medication, they say they need. If they have been taking the medication, they should have the prescribing physician's or the name or location of a pharmacy where they have received or are receiving their medication. If the inmate states they have not been taking the medication and say they now need it because they are in jail, the inmate may request to contact their physician or officers may contact the inmate's physician for determination if the medication is needed. Otherwise, we shall make a reasonable effort to determine the length of the inmate's stay and have the inmate's physician prescribe the medication or order a prescription. We will only pay for the medication for the duration of the inmate's period of incarceration in the Sweet Home jail facility. If you have questions, contact a supervisor. If the inmate is a transfer from the Sheriff's Department and that agency does not send the inmate's medications over to our jail with the inmate, attempt to have a deputy or officer that may be going to that former inmates transfer site to pick up and/ or deliver the medication. If you cannot get someone to pick it up contact a supervisor.
- (e) Upon an inmate's release, all medications for an inmate shall be released to the inmate upon his/her release from custody.

#### 900.18.3 DOCUMENTING MEDICAL TREATMENT

(a) If the prisoner received the injury prior to the arrest (or the making thereof) and required medical treatment, all information will be provided in the report, and logged on the prisoner's hourly log.

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- (b) If the prisoner is injured while in custody in our jail facility, or in the department building, the on-call supervisor shall be notified immediately. A written memorandum concerning the circumstances will be addressed to the Jail Commander and the Chief of Police or his designee prior to the end of the shift of officers on duty when the injury was discovered.
- (c) Items documented on the Inmate Log shall include, but not be limited to, injuries or illnesses at time of booking as well as during incarceration, requests for medical and dental attention, treatment prescribed, prescriptions, special diets and other services provided.

#### 900.18.4 LIABILITY FOR COSTS OF MEDICAL SERVICES AND MEDICATIONS

An inmate who receives non-emergency medical services while in custody at this facility is liable to the provider of the medical services and to the keeper of this facility for any charges or expenses paid by the keeper of this facility for medical services. This information will be provided to each inmate in the inmate rules of the facility.

#### 900.18.5 DENTAL ASSISTANCE

Non-emergency dental assistance shall be provided at the prisoner's expense. A prisoner who is in custody in our facility and is requesting to see a dentist may be granted temporary leave.

#### 900.18.6 FIRST AID KIT

There is a first aid kit available in the jail for minor medical problems only. Any use of this kit for prisoners will be documented on the Inmate Medication Log.

#### 900.18.7 RETENTION OF MEDICATIONS BY INMATES PROHIBITED

Inmates will not be allowed, under any circumstances, to retain in their possession prescription or non-prescription medications, except as authorized in Policy 9000.20, Management of Pharmaceuticals.

#### 900.18.8 OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS (NON-PRESCRIPTION)

- (a) Prior to giving inmates medication of any kind, the inmate's Medical Screening form should be reviewed to check for allergies to the medication requested. If an inmate is taking any type of prescriptive medication that inmate shall not be given any over the counter medications except as provided in the Policy for the Management of Pharmaceuticals.
- (b) Employees shall not ask the inmates if they want medication or a certain type of medication but shall wait until the prisoner specifically asks for a medication. An example would be if an inmate told the officer they had a headache, the staff member will not ask the inmate if they want an aspirin. However, if the inmate asks for aspirin and their records do not show they are allergic, then they should receive the aspirin.
- (c) A first aid kit is in the jail. The kit contains blister packs of medications that may be given to inmates at the inmate's request. These types of medications should only be given to inmates according to the instructions listed on the packaging. The packages will be given, unopened, to the inmate. Except in those cases where the dosage given is

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smaller than that contained in the package. The police employee giving the medication shall monitor the inmate to see that they take the medication and then document it on an Inmate Medication Log.

#### 900.18.9 FIRST AID TRAINING

All Police Officers, Telecommunicators, and Reserve Officers who work in the Sweet Home Police Department Jail Facility shall be trained in First Aid and CPR and currently possess proper skills to perform both if the need arises.

#### 900.19 MANAGEMENT OF PHARMACEUTICALS

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to exercise proper management of pharmaceuticals. Every inmate has a right to have access to medications that are legally prescribed for the treatment of a health condition.

The General Order for the Management of Pharmaceuticals shall be the mechanism to enable access to the medication within 24 hours. It is also to define procedures approved by a competent health authority for handling and administering medications and will address the following:

- (a) Physician orders
- (b) Procedures for medication procurement, receipt, storage, dispensing and administration or distribution, and disposal.
- (c) Secure storage and perpetual inventory of all controlled substances, syringes and needles
- (d) Administration or distribution of medicine in conformance with federal and state laws
- (e) Administration of medication by properly trained personnel and under the supervision of the designated qualified health care person or agency and the jail administrator or designee.
- (f) Accountability for administering or distributing medications according to physician's orders.

#### 900.19.1 MEDICATION PROCUREMENT

- (a) Medications that are legally prescribed for the treatment of a health condition will be procured for administration to the inmate within 24 hours of incarceration.
- (b) It is the responsibility of the on-duty officer to obtain the medication.
- (c) It is important for the jail staff to know what information should be on each medication label so that a medication may be identified, verified, and given correctly. The label should contain:
  - (a) Patient's name
  - (b) The name of the prescribing physician
  - (c) The name of pharmacy dispensing the medication
  - (d) The name of the medication

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- (e) Dosage
- (f) Instructions
- (g) The date that the medication was dispensed
- (h) The last date that he medication should be taken (expiration date)
- (i) The description of the medication (by Oregon Pharmacy Rules)
- (d) Medication must be in the original pharmacy container, marked as current, and be name-specific for that inmate.
  - (a) Exception: if the inmate requires a medication that is available outside of the original pharmacy container (i.e., a pill box) a qualified health care person or agency will be contacted to positively identify the medication and the prescribed dose and frequency of administration. Only the amount that is immediately needed for the inmate will be utilized.
- (e) There are several ways that medications may be brought into the jail. The prisoner may carry them in; someone may deliver them to the jail or the inmate; or the jail staff may obtain them from a pharmacy for the inmate.
  - (a) An inmates' family should be contacted to bring in the inmate's medications after arrest or continue renewing their prescription from outside the jail.
  - (b) Linn County Mental Health may be able to assist with mental health programs and act as a service provider serving as a resource in determining detainee medication needs.
  - (c) Regardless of the means by which a medication entered the jail, any medication that is to be given shall be verified. Medication that is in a current valid prescription bottle can be verified by the pill description on the outside of the bottle, referencing a Physician Desk Reference or other similar authoritative reference approved for use in the facility and comparing the referenced pill description and imprint(s) to the inmates medications. All medications must also be checked in the Physician Desk Reference for DEA Scheduled status. Medication that is DEA Scheduled is subject to enhanced storage, handling and tracking as detailed elsewhere in this chapter. For medication that is not in a current valid prescription bottle the officer must contact the inmate's physician, pharmacy, or a qualified health care person or agency to ensure what medication is currently prescribed to the inmate, dosage and intervals, how the medication is to be dispensed, and the description of the medication to verify what the inmate has in possession is what was prescribed. Verification must occur prior to dispensing any medication to an inmate.

#### 900.19.2 RECEIPT OF MEDICATION

- (a) Obtain pertinent medication information from the inmate and document this information in the comment section of the medical assessment form.
  - (a) Name of medication
  - (b) The dose of the medication and how often it is taken

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- (c) Reason for taking this medication
- (d) Physician who prescribed this medication (location of the physician if not a local practitioner)
- (e) Name and location of the pharmacy that dispensed the medication
- (f) Known medication allergies
- (b) If the prescription was filled more than 120 days prior to booking, the officer on duty will verify that the medication is required for the inmate during his/her incarceration by calling the inmate's physician, pharmacy or other qualified health care person or agency
- (c) The Inmate Medication Log will be used to document the receipt of the medication, the information obtained from the verification process and the name of the health care person or agency that verified the medication.

#### 900.19.3 STORAGE OF MEDICATION

- (a) Once an inmate's medication is verified and in the control of jail personnel, it will be stored in a locked cabinet or drawer that is labeled Inmate Medications in the central area of the jail, except that those medications that require refrigeration will be secured in a locked container that is labeled Inmate. This applies to all medications, both prescription and non-prescription, except for DEA Scheduled Controlled Substances.
- (b) Inmate's medications that are DEA Scheduled Controlled Substances shall be stored in a locked cabinet that is labeled Controlled Inmate Medications in the Communications Center. This cabinet is under constant observation. These controlled substances shall be counted with a witness by the officer who will be dispensing the medications and the dispatcher on duty. Upon the release of an inmate the officer releasing the inmate and the dispatcher on duty shall make a final count and document it on the Narcotics Inventory sheet that is kept with the medication. Any time DEA Scheduled Controlled Substances are added or removed from the Controlled Inmate Medications Cabinet, it must be documented on the Narcotics Inventory Sheet and signed by both the Officer and Telecommunicator that are handling the medications.
- (c) There may be certain medications that an inmate should keep in his cell, but this should be limited to an amount that the prescribing physician deems necessary. Common examples include nitroglycerin tablets for chest pain and inhalers for asthmatic symptoms. Any exception must be approved by the on-call supervisor or on-duty supervisor.
- (d) Medications that require refrigeration will be secured in a locked container that is labeled Inmate Medications and located within a refrigerator in the central area of the jail.
- (e) All stored medications will be clearly identified with the inmate's name.
- (f) One inmate's stored medication must be clearly separate from another inmate's stored medications.

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- (g) Keys to the Controlled Inmate Medication cabinet will be in dispatch and patrol. The Controlled Inmate Medication cabinet has two unique locks. Patrol possesses one key to the lock and Communications is issued a key to the second lock. This requires that one Officer and one Telecommunicator be present to open the Controlled Inmate Medication cabinet. If for some reason either the Officer or dispatcher does not have their key to open the cabinet, the on-duty supervisor must be called. Documentation is required for all access to the Controlled Inmate Medication.
- (h) A first aid kit containing over the counter medications is in the jail control room.
  - (a) Prior to distributing any over the counter medications to any inmate, officers shall check to see if the inmate is taking any prescription drug.
  - (b) Over the counter medications shall not be distributed to inmates who are taking prescription drugs without the approval of a physician.
  - (c) Over the counter medications should only be given according to the instruction provided on the packaging.
  - (d) Medications within the first aid kit will be examined for outdated or expired medications one time each month as part of a monthly safety inspection.
  - (e) Any outdated or expired medications will be removed from the first aid kit and stored in a separate area pending destruction.

#### 900.19.4 DISPENSING, DISTRIBUTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

- (a) Medication shall be self-administered by the inmate under:
  - (a) Supervision
  - (b) Observation
  - (c) Procedure established to confirm that medication has been administered.
- (b) Prescription medications should be dispensed to inmates according to the prescription label as verified by a physician, pharmacist, or other qualified health care provider or agency.
- (c) Over the counter medications shall not be distributed to inmates who are taking prescription drugs, without the approval of a physician.
- (d) Over the counter medications should only be given according to the instruction provided on the packaging.
- (e) In administering medications, the most important thing to remember is to follow instructions. There should be no question as to how much a person should receive and when he or she should receive it.
- (f) The officer dispensing medications for administration must be sure that the medication given to an inmate is in fact the medication that was prescribed for him or her.
- (g) The inmate medication log lists each medication that the inmate is to receive and includes the medication description, the dose, the frequency and the indication for use.
- (h) The medication log is used to document the dispensing and administration of each dose of medication that the inmate receives.

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- (i) When giving the medication, ensure that the inmate administers the medication.
- (j) Avoid contacting medication with hands, skin or eyes. Wearing disposable gloves when handling medication or medication containers will provide personal protection as well as prevent the spread of infection (i.e., disease causing organisms may live on the outside of a medication container). It is important to maintain good hand hygiene while preparing medications: sanitize hands and apply a clean pair of gloves prior to preparing each inmate's medications for dispensing.
- (k) There are four ways that medication may be taken: Ingestion-taken by mouth or inhaled; injection-taking medications by needle and syringe; insertion-placing the medicine into a body cavity, like suppositories; application-spreading a cream, lotion, or ointment on the skin.
  - (a) Avoid contacting medication with hands, skin or eyes. Wear disposable gloves when handling medication or medication containers. Apply a clean pair of gloves prior to preparing each inmate's medications for dispensing.
  - (b) To dispense a medication to an inmate that is to be applied (i.e., cream, ointment, or drops) to an inmate, put the prescribed container of medication into a plastic bag. Deliver the plastic bag to the inmate. Closely monitor the inmate to ensure that the medication is administered. The inmate shall place the container of medication back into the plastic bag. The officer shall retrieve the plastic bag from the inmate.
  - (c) To dispense an ingestible medication (i.e., tablet or capsule) or a medication that is to be inserted (i.e., a suppository) to an inmate, put the prescribed amount of the medication from the container into a paper cup. Deliver the paper cup to the inmate. Closely monitor the inmate to ensure that the medication is administered.
  - (d) Medication administered by injection shall be given by a physician, a registered nurse or a licensed practical nurse. Diabetics under physician order's and with direct supervision by an officer shall be permitted to self-administer insulin. To dispense insulin to an inmate, place the vial of insulin or insulin pen injector onto a tray with one insulin syringe, an alcohol swab and a small red biohazard waste container. Deliver the tray to the inmate. Closely monitor the inmate to ensure that the medication is injected. The inmate shall place the used alcohol swab and insulin needle into the biohazard waste container. The inmate shall place the insulin or insulin pen injector back onto the tray. The officer shall retrieve the tray and the biohazard waste container from the inmate.
- (I) Special orders may accompany a certain medication and should be followed. Examples of special orders may include:
  - (a) Take with food or milk
  - (b) Take on an empty stomach
  - (c) Take 2-3 hours after a meal
  - (d) Medication should be taken with plenty of water
  - (e) Shake well

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- (f) Other special orders may refer to storage of medication. Some medications may need to be refrigerated or stored out of the sunlight.
- (m) Many medications can produce side effects. These warnings will usually be a small colored sticker on the container. There are sound reasons for these warnings. The warnings should alert jail staff for possible side effects that the person taking the medication may show. Examples include:
  - (a) May cause drowsiness
  - (b) May discolor the urine or feces
  - (c) May cause nausea
- (n) Review known medication allergies (i.e., those allergies documented on intake) prior to dispensing any medication. Be aware that allergic reaction can develop at any time and may be caused by the most common drug, even aspirin.
- (o) Record the fact that the medication was taken or refused. It is vital that there be a record of medication administration. The inmate medication log sheet is to be used for each inmate receiving medication and will be retained as part of the inmate's health record. The Inmate Medication Log is where officers shall record:
  - (a) The inmates name
  - (b) Date and time of administration
  - (c) Name and strength of medication
  - (d) The prescribed dose
  - (e) The prescribed frequency
  - (f) The reason for use (if Known)
  - (g) Initials of person dispensing the medication to the inmate for administration
  - (h) Record whether the inmate refused the medication
- (p) Report any refusal to take a prescribed medication to jail administration. Refusal to take medication shall be reported to the prescribing physician.
- (q) Document any medication related incident by completing a written memo. The memo will include all actions taken, the patient's status and the prescribing physician's response. The memo shall be forwarded to the Administrative Assistant. The incident will be reviewed by the Chief of Police or his designee(s) to determine how the incident might have been prevented and to determine if procedural changes might prevent a reoccurrence.
- (r) The Inmate Medication Log and any medication related incident memo shall be retained as required by Oregon Administrative Rules.

# 900.19.5 PERPETUAL INVENTORY OF DEA SCHEDULED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES AND SYRINGES/NEEDLES

A perpetual inventory will be maintained for controlled substances, needles, syringes and keys to medication storage areas.

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- (a) DEA Scheduled medications that are brought into the jail by an inmate will be counted an time the following occur:
  - (a) Upon receipt at the facility, or
  - (b) Prior to dispensing any DEA Scheduled controlled medication to inmates during a shift or at least once during a shift, or
  - (c) Upon inmate release.
  - (d) This count shall be made by an officer and dispatcher
- (b) Needles and syringes will be counted the same as DEA Scheduled medications. Needles may be counted, packaged, and sealed into envelopes with a witness to avoid having to count individual syringes whenever possible.
- (c) All counts will be conducted, documented, and witnessed by two employees; one by the officer who dispenses medications and the other by an on-duty Telecommunicator. Both employees must sign the Perpetual Inventory sheet at every count.
- (d) Any discrepancy in count will be immediately reported to the on-duty supervisor.
- (e) Perpetual Inventory and Key Inventory logs shall be retained as required by Oregon Administrative Rules.

#### 900.19.6 DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS

- (a) No inmate medications shall be maintained on site. Inmate medications are turned over to the inmate when released.
- (b) Discontinued unused drugs shall be placed into evidence to be destroyed. Placement of such material into evidence envelopes or containers shall be witnessed.
- (c) Medication must be disposed along with other illegal narcotics, controlled substances, drugs, and marijuana when such disposal is required.

#### 900.19.7 EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Officers will complete basic instruction prior to dispensing or handling inmate medication.

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## **Custodial Searches**

#### 902.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance regarding searches of individuals in custody. Such searches are necessary to eliminate the introduction of contraband, intoxicants or weapons into the Sweet Home Police Department facility. Such items can pose a serious risk to the safety and security of department members, individuals in custody, contractors and the public.

Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit the otherwise lawful collection of evidence from an individual in custody.

#### 902.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Custody Search** - An in-custody search of an individual and of his/her property, shoes and clothing, including pockets, cuffs and folds on the clothing, to remove all weapons, dangerous items and contraband.

**Physical body cavity search** - A search that includes a visual inspection and may include a physical intrusion into a body cavity. Body cavity means the stomach or rectal cavity of an individual, and the vagina of a female person.

**Strip search** - A search that requires an individual to remove or rearrange some or all of his/her clothing to permit a visual inspection of the underclothing, breasts, buttocks, anus or outer genitalia. This includes monitoring an individual who is changing clothes, where his/her underclothing, buttocks, genitalia or female breasts are visible.

#### **902.2 POLICY**

All searches shall be conducted with concern for safety, dignity, courtesy, respect for privacy and hygiene, and in compliance with policy and law to protect the rights of those who are subject to any search.

Searches shall not be used for intimidation, harassment, punishment or retaliation.

#### 902.3 FIELD AND TRANSPORTATION SEARCHES

An officer should conduct a custody search of an individual immediately after his/her arrest, when receiving an individual from the custody of another, and before transporting a person who is in custody in any department vehicle.

Whenever practicable, a custody search should be conducted by an officer of the same sex as the person being searched. If an officer of the same sex is not reasonably available, a witnessing officer should be present during the search.

#### 902.4 SEARCHES AT POLICE FACILITIES

Custody searches shall be conducted on all individuals in custody, upon entry to the Sweet Home Police Department facilities. Except in exigent circumstances, the search should be conducted by

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a member of the same sex as the individual being searched. If a member of the same sex is not available, a witnessing member should be present during the search.

Custody searches should also be conducted any time an individual in custody enters or re-enters a secure area, or any time it is reasonably believed that a search is necessary to maintain the safety and security of the facility.

#### 902.4.1 PROPERTY

Members shall take reasonable care in handling the property of an individual in custody to avoid discrepancies or losses. Property retained for safekeeping shall be kept in a secure location until the individual is released or transferred.

Some property may not be accepted by a facility or agency that is taking custody of an individual from this department, such as weapons or large items. These items should be retained for safekeeping in accordance with the Property and Evidence Policy.

All property shall be inventoried by objective description (this does not include an estimated value). The individual from whom it was taken shall be required to sign the completed inventory. If the individual's signature cannot be obtained, the inventory shall be witnessed by another department member. The inventory should include the case number, date, time, member's Sweet Home Police Department identification number and information regarding how and when the property may be released.

### 902.4.2 VERIFICATION OF MONEY

All money shall be counted in front of the individual from whom it was received. When possible, the individual shall initial the dollar amount on the inventory. Additionally, all money should be placed in a separate envelope and sealed. Negotiable checks or other instruments and foreign currency should also be sealed in an envelope with the amount indicated but not added to the cash total. All envelopes should clearly indicate the contents on the front. The department member sealing it should place his/her initials across the sealed flap. Should any money be withdrawn or added, the member making such change shall enter the amount below the original entry and initial it. The amount of money in the envelope should always be totaled and written on the outside of the envelope.

### 902.4.3 RECEIPT FOR PROPERTY OR MONEY

The officer or other member charged with such inventories shall ensure that the individual receives a receipt for any money or other property received and should have the individual countersign both the original and duplicate receipt. Members will otherwise comply with ORS 133.455 if the individual is unable to sign.

#### 902.5 STRIP SEARCHES

No individual in temporary custody at any Sweet Home Police Department facility shall be subjected to a strip search unless there is reasonable suspicion based upon specific and articulable facts to believe the individual has a health condition requiring immediate medical

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attention or is concealing a weapon or contraband. Factors to be considered in determining reasonable suspicion include, but are not limited to:

- (a) The detection of an object during a custody search that may be a weapon or contraband and cannot be safely retrieved without a strip search.
- (b) Circumstances of a current arrest that specifically indicate the individual may be concealing a weapon or contraband.
  - A felony arrest charge or being under the influence of a controlled substance should not suffice as reasonable suspicion absent other facts.
- (c) Custody history (e.g., past possession of contraband while in custody, assaults on department members, escape attempts).
- (d) The individual's actions or demeanor.
- (e) Criminal history (i.e., level of experience in a custody setting).

No transgender or intersex individual shall be searched or examined for the sole purpose of determining the individual's genital status. If the individual's genital status is unknown, it may be determined during conversations with the person, by reviewing medical records, or as a result of a broader medical examination conducted in private by a medical practitioner (28 CFR 115.115).

### 902.5.1 STRIP SEARCH PROCEDURES

Strip searches at Sweet Home Police Department facilities shall be conducted as follows (28 CFR 115.115):

- (a) Written authorization from the Patrol Sergeant shall be obtained prior to the strip search.
- (b) All members involved with the strip search shall be of the same sex as the individual being searched, unless the search is conducted by a medical practitioner.
- (c) All strip searches shall be conducted in a professional manner under sanitary conditions and in a secure area of privacy so that it cannot be observed by those not participating in the search. The search shall not be reproduced through a visual or sound recording.
- (d) Whenever possible, a second member of the same sex should also be present during the search, for security and as a witness to the finding of evidence.
- (e) Members conducting a strip search shall not touch the breasts, buttocks or genitalia of the individual being searched.
- (f) The primary member conducting the search shall prepare a written report to include:
  - 1. The facts that led to the decision to perform a strip search.
  - 2. The reasons less intrusive methods of searching were not used or were insufficient.

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- 3. The written authorization for the search, obtained from the Patrol Sergeant.
- 4. The name of the individual who was searched.
- 5. The name and sex of the members who conducted the search.
- 6. The name, sex and role of any person present during the search.
- 7. The time and date of the search.
- 8. The place at which the search was conducted.
- 9. A list of the items, if any, that were recovered.
- 10. The facts upon which the member based his/her belief that the individual was concealing a weapon or contraband.
- (g) No member should view an individual's private underclothing, buttocks, genitalia or female breasts while that individual is showering, performing bodily functions or changing clothes, unless he/she otherwise qualifies for a strip search. However, if serious hygiene or health issues make it reasonably necessary to assist the individual with a shower or a change of clothes, a supervisor should be contacted to ensure reasonable steps are taken to obtain the individual's consent and/or otherwise protect his/her privacy and dignity.

#### 902.5.2 SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE FIELD STRIP SEARCHES

A strip search may be conducted in the field only with Patrol Sergeant authorization and only in exceptional circumstances, such as when:

- (a) There is probable cause to believe that the individual is concealing a weapon or other dangerous item that cannot be recovered by a more limited search.
- (b) There is probable cause to believe that the individual is concealing controlled substances or evidence that cannot be recovered by a more limited search, and there is no reasonable alternative to ensure the individual cannot destroy or ingest the substance during transportation.

These special-circumstance field strip searches shall only be authorized and conducted under the same restrictions as the strip search procedures in this policy, except that the Patrol Sergeant authorization does not need to be in writing.

### 902.6 PHYSICAL BODY CAVITY SEARCH

Physical body cavity searches shall be subject to the following:

(a) No individual shall be subjected to a physical body cavity search without written approval of the Patrol Sergeant and only upon a search warrant or approval of legal counsel. A copy of any search warrant and the results of the physical body cavity search shall be included with the related reports and made available, upon request,

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to the individual or authorized representative (except for those portions of the warrant ordered sealed by a court).

- (b) Only a physician may conduct a physical body cavity search.
- (c) Except for the physician conducting the search, persons present must be of the same sex as the individual being searched. Only the necessary department members needed to maintain the safety and security of the medical personnel shall be present.
- (d) Privacy requirements, including restricted touching of body parts and sanitary condition requirements, are the same as required for a strip search.
- (e) All such searches shall be documented, including:
  - 1. The facts that led to the decision to perform a physical body cavity search of the individual.
  - The reasons less intrusive methods of searching were not used or were insufficient.
  - 3. The Patrol Sergeant's approval.
  - 4. A copy of the search warrant.
  - 5. The time, date and location of the search.
  - 6. The medical personnel present.
  - 7. The names, sex and roles of any department members present.
  - 8. Any contraband or weapons discovered by the search.
- (f) A copy of the written authorization shall be retained and made available to the individual who was searched or other authorized representative upon request.

#### 902.7 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant shall ensure members have training that includes (28 CFR 115.115):

- (a) Conducting searches of cross-gender individuals.
- (b) Conducting searches of transgender and intersex individuals.
- (c) Conducting searches in a professional and respectful manner, and in the least intrusive manner possible, consistent with security needs.

#### 902.8 CLOSED CONTAINER SEARCHES

Closed containers will not be opened for inventory purposes except for the following, which shall be opened for inventory: wallets, purses, coin purses, fanny packs, personal organizers, briefcases or other closed containers designed for carrying money or small valuables, or closed containers which are designed for hazardous materials.

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Other closed containers shall be opened and inventoried if the owner acknowledges they contain cash in excess of \$10, valuables or a hazardous material.

#### 902.9 GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION CONSIDERATIONS

If an individual who is subject to a strip search or physical body cavity search has a gender identity or expression that differs from their sex assigned at birth, the search should be conducted by members of the same gender identity or expression as the individual, unless the individual requests otherwise.

#### 902.10 JUVENILES

No juvenile should be subjected to a strip search or a physical body cavity search at the Department.

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should establish procedures for the following:

- (a) Safely transporting a juvenile who is suspected of concealing a weapon or contraband, or who may be experiencing a medical issue related to such concealment, to a medical facility or juvenile detention facility as appropriate in the given circumstances.
  - Procedures should include keeping a juvenile suspected of concealing a weapon under constant and direct supervision until custody is transferred to the receiving facility.
- (b) Providing officers with information identifying appropriate medical and juvenile detention facilities to which a juvenile should be transported for a strip or body cavity search.

Nothing in this section is intended to prevent an officer from rendering medical aid to a juvenile in emergency circumstances (see the Medical Aid and Response Policy for additional guidance).

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#### 904.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance for complying with the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) and the implementing regulation that establishes standards (PREA Rule) to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse, harassment and retaliation against prisoners in the Sweet Home Police Department Temporary Holding Facilities (28 CFR 115.111).

#### 904.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Intersex** - A person whose sexual or reproductive anatomy or chromosomal pattern does not seem to fit typical definitions of male or female. Intersex medical conditions are sometimes referred to as disorders of sex development (28 CFR 115.5).

**Sexual abuse** - Any of the following acts, if the prisoner does not consent, is coerced into such act by overt or implied threats of violence or is unable to consent or refuse:

- Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight
- Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva or anus
- Penetration of the anal or genital opening of another person, however slight, by a hand, finger, object or other instrument
- Any other intentional touching, either directly or through the clothing, of the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh or the buttocks of another person, excluding contact incidental to a physical altercation (28 CFR 115.6)

Sexual abuse also includes abuse by a staff member, contractor or volunteer as follows, with or without consent of the prisoner or resident:

- Contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, including penetration, however slight
- Contact between the mouth and the penis, vulva or anus
- Contact between the mouth and any body part where the staff member, contractor or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse or gratify sexual desire
- Penetration of the anal or genital opening, however slight, by a hand, finger, object
  or other instrument, that is unrelated to official duties, or where the staff member,
  contractor or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse or gratify sexual desire
- Any other intentional contact, either directly or through the clothing, of or with the genitalia, anus, groin, breast, inner thigh or the buttocks, that is unrelated to official duties, or where the staff member, contractor or volunteer has the intent to abuse, arouse or gratify sexual desire

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- Any attempt, threat or request by a staff member, contractor or volunteer to engage in the activities described above
- Any display by a staff member, contractor or volunteer of his/her uncovered genitalia, buttocks or breast in the presence of a prisoner or resident
- Voyeurism by a staff member, contractor or volunteer (28 CFR 115.6)

**Sexual harassment** - Repeated and unwelcome sexual advances; requests for sexual favors; verbal comments, gestures or actions of a derogatory or offensive sexual nature by one prisoner or resident that are directed toward another; repeated verbal comments or gestures of a sexual nature to a prisoner or resident by a staff member, contractor or volunteer, including demeaning references to gender, sexually suggestive or derogatory comments about body or clothing, or obscene language or gestures (28 CFR 115.6).

**Transgender** - A person whose gender identity (i.e., internal sense of feeling male or female) is different from the person's assigned sex at birth (28 CFR 115.5).

#### **904.2 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department has zero tolerance toward all forms of sexual abuse and sexual harassment (28 CFR 115.111). The Department will not tolerate retaliation against any person who reports sexual abuse or sexual harassment or who cooperates with a sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigation.

The Sweet Home Police Department will take immediate action to protect prisoners who are reasonably believed to be subject to a substantial risk of imminent sexual abuse (28 CFR 115.162).

#### 904.3 PREA COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police shall appoint an upper-level manager with sufficient time and authority to develop, implement and oversee department efforts to comply with PREA standards in the Sweet Home Police Department Temporary Holding Facilities (28 CFR 115.111). The PREA Coordinator's responsibilities shall include:

- (a) Developing and maintaining procedures to comply with the PREA Rule.
- (b) Ensuring that any contract for the confinement of Sweet Home Police Department prisoners includes the requirement to adopt and comply with applicable PREA and the PREA Rule, including the obligation to provide incident-based and aggregated data, as required in 28 CFR 115.187 (28 CFR 115.112).
- (c) Developing a staffing plan to provide adequate levels of staffing and video monitoring, where applicable, in order to protect prisoners from sexual abuse (28 CFR 115.113). This includes documenting deviations and the reasons for deviations from the staffing plan, as well as reviewing the staffing plan a minimum of once per year.
- (d) Developing methods for staff to privately report sexual abuse and sexual harassment of prisoners (28 CFR 115.151).

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- (e) Developing a written plan to coordinate response among staff first responders, medical and mental health practitioners, investigators and department leadership to an incident of sexual abuse (28 CFR 115.165).
- (f) Ensuring a protocol is developed for investigating allegations of sexual abuse in the Temporary Holding Facility. The protocol shall include (28 CFR 115.121; 28 CFR 115.122):
  - Evidence collection practices that maximize the potential for obtaining usable physical evidence based on the most recent edition of the U.S. Department of Justice's (DOJ) Office on Violence Against Women publication, "A National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations, Adults/ Adolescents" or a similarly comprehensive and authoritative protocol.
  - 2. A process to ensure a criminal or administrative investigation is completed on all allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment.
  - 3. A process to document all referrals to other law enforcement agencies.
  - 4. Access to forensic medical examinations, without financial cost, for all victims of sexual abuse where appropriate. Such examinations shall be performed by Sexual Assault Forensic Examiners (SAFEs) or Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANEs) where possible. If SAFEs or SANEs cannot be made available, the examination can be performed by other qualified medical practitioners. The efforts to provide SAFEs or SANEs shall be documented.
  - 5. In accordance with security needs, provisions to permit, to the extent available, prisoner access to victim advocacy services if the prisoner is transported for a forensic examination to an outside hospital that offers such services.
- (g) Ensuring that prisoners with limited English proficiency and disabilities have an equal opportunity to understand and benefit from efforts to prevent, detect and respond to sexual abuse and sexual harassment. This includes, as appropriate, access to interpreters and written materials in formats or through methods that provide effective communication to those with disabilities (e.g., limited reading skills, intellectual, hearing or vision disabilities) (28 CFR 115.116).
  - The agency shall not rely on other prisoners for assistance except in limited circumstances where an extended delay in obtaining an interpreter could compromise the prisoner's safety, the performance of first-response duties under this policy, or the investigation of a prisoner's allegations of sexual abuse, harassment or retaliation.
- (h) Publishing on the department's website:
  - 1. Information on how to report sexual abuse and sexual harassment on behalf of a prisoner (28 CFR 115.154).

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- 2. A protocol describing the responsibilities of the Department and any other investigating agency that will be responsible for conducting sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations (28 CFR 115.122).
- (i) Establishing a process that includes the use of a standardized form and set of definitions to ensure accurate, uniform data is collected for every allegation of sexual abuse at facilities under this agency's direct control (28 CFR 115.187).
  - The data collected shall include, at a minimum, the data necessary to answer all questions from the most recent version of the Survey of Sexual Violence, conducted by DOJ, or any subsequent form developed by DOJ and designated for lockups.
  - 2. The data shall be aggregated at least annually.
- (j) Ensuring audits are conducted pursuant to 28 CFR 115.401 through 28 CFR 115.405 for all Temporary Holding Facilities used to house prisoners overnight (28 CFR 115.193).
- (k) Ensuring contractors or others who work in the Temporary Holding Facility are informed of the agency's zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment (28 CFR 115.132).

#### 904.4 REPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE AND HARASSMENT

Prisoners may make reports verbally, in writing, privately or anonymously of any of the following (28 CFR 115.151):

- Sexual abuse
- Sexual harassment
- Retaliation by other prisoners or staff for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment
- Staff neglect or violation of responsibilities that may have contributed to sexual abuse or sexual harassment

During intake the Department shall notify all prisoners of the zero-tolerance policy regarding sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and of at least one way to report abuse or harassment to a public or private entity that is not part of the Department and that is able to receive and immediately forward prisoner reports of sexual abuse and sexual harassment to agency officials. This allows the prisoner to remain anonymous (28 CFR 115.132; 28 CFR 115.151).

#### 904.4.1 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Department members shall accept reports from prisoners and third parties and shall promptly document all reports (28 CFR 115.151).

All members shall report immediately to the Patrol Sergeant any knowledge, suspicion or information regarding:

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- (a) An incident of sexual abuse or sexual harassment that occurs in the Temporary Holding Facility.
- (b) Retaliation against prisoners or the member who reports any such incident.
- (c) Any neglect or violation of responsibilities on the part of any department member that may have contributed to an incident or retaliation (28 CFR 115.161).

No member shall reveal any information related to a sexual abuse report to anyone other than to the extent necessary to make treatment and investigation decisions.

#### 904.4.2 PATROL SERGEANT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Patrol Sergeant shall report to the department's designated investigators all allegations of sexual abuse, harassment, retaliation, neglect or violations leading to sexual abuse, harassment or retaliation. This includes third-party and anonymous reports (28 CFR 115.161).

If the alleged victim is under the age of 18 or considered a vulnerable adult, the Patrol Sergeant shall also report the allegation as required under mandatory reporting laws and department policy.

Upon receiving an allegation that a prisoner was sexually abused while confined at another facility, the Patrol Sergeant shall notify the head of the facility or the appropriate office of the agency where the alleged abuse occurred. The notification shall be made as soon as possible but no later than 72 hours after receiving the allegation. The Patrol Sergeant shall document such notification (28 CFR 115.163).

If an alleged prisoner victim is transferred from the Temporary Holding Facility to a jail, prison or medical facility, the Department shall, as permitted by law, inform the receiving facility of the incident and the prisoner's potential need for medical or social services, unless the prisoner requests otherwise (28 CFR 115.165).

#### 904.5 INVESTIGATIONS

The Department shall promptly, thoroughly and objectively investigate all allegations, including third-party and anonymous reports, of sexual abuse or sexual harassment. Only investigators who have received department-approved special training shall conduct sexual abuse investigations (28 CFR 115.171).

#### 904.5.1 FIRST RESPONDERS

The first officer to respond to a report of sexual abuse or sexual assault shall (28 CFR 115.164):

- (a) Separate the parties.
- (b) Establish a crime scene to preserve and protect any evidence. Identify and secure witnesses until steps can be taken to collect any evidence.
- (c) If the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence, request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking or eating.

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(d) If the abuse occurred within a time period that still allows for the collection of physical evidence, ensure that the alleged abuser does not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence, including, as appropriate, washing, brushing teeth, changing clothes, urinating, defecating, smoking, drinking or eating.

If the first responder is not an officer the responder shall request that the alleged victim not take any actions that could destroy physical evidence and should then notify a law enforcement staff member (28 CFR 115.164).

### 904.5.2 INVESTIGATOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Investigators shall (28 CFR 115.171):

- (a) Gather and preserve direct and circumstantial evidence, including any available physical and biological evidence and any available electronic monitoring data.
- (b) Interview alleged victims, suspects and witnesses.
- (c) Review any prior complaints and reports of sexual abuse involving the suspect.
- (d) Conduct compelled interviews only after consulting with prosecutors as to whether compelled interviews may be an obstacle for subsequent criminal prosecution.
- (e) Assess the credibility of the alleged victim, suspect or witness on an individual basis and not by the person's status as a prisoner or a member of the Sweet Home Police Department.
- (f) Document in written reports a description of physical, testimonial, documentary and other evidence, the reasoning behind any credibility assessments, and investigative facts and findings.
- (g) Refer allegations of conduct that may be criminal to the District Attorney for possible prosecution, including any time there is probable cause to believe a prisoner sexually abused another prisoner in the Temporary Holding Facility (28 CFR 115.178).
- (h) Cooperate with outside investigators and remain informed about the progress of any outside investigation.

#### 904.5.3 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Administrative investigations shall include an effort to determine whether staff actions or failures to act contributed to the abuse. The departure of the alleged abuser or victim from the employment or control of this department shall not be used as a basis for terminating an investigation (28 CFR 115.171).

#### 904.5.4 SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIMS

No prisoner who alleges sexual abuse shall be required to submit to a polygraph examination or other truth-telling device as a condition for proceeding with the investigation of such an allegation (28 CFR 115.171(e)).

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Prisoner victims of sexual abuse shall receive timely, unimpeded access to emergency medical treatment. Treatment services shall be provided to the victim without financial cost and regardless of whether the victim names the abuser or cooperates with any investigation arising out of the incident (28 CFR 115.182).

#### 904.5.5 CONCLUSIONS AND FINDINGS

All completed investigations shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police, or if the allegations may reasonably involve the Chief of Police, to the City Manager. The Chief of Police or City Manager shall review the investigation and determine whether any allegations of sexual abuse or sexual harassment have been substantiated by a preponderance of the evidence (28 CFR 115.172).

All personnel shall be subject to disciplinary sanctions up to and including termination for violating this policy. Termination shall be the presumptive disciplinary sanction for department members who have engaged in sexual abuse. All discipline shall be commensurate with the nature and circumstances of the acts committed, the member's disciplinary history and the sanctions imposed for comparable offenses by other members with similar histories (28 CFR 115.176).

All terminations for violations of this policy, or resignations by members who would have been terminated if not for their resignation, shall be criminally investigated unless the activity was clearly not criminal and reported to any relevant licensing body (28 CFR 115.176).

Any contractor or volunteer who engages in sexual abuse shall be prohibited from contact with prisoners and reported to any relevant licensing bodies (28 CFR 115.177). The Chief of Police shall take appropriate remedial measures and consider whether to prohibit further contact with prisoners by a contractor or volunteer.

#### 904.6 RETALIATION PROHIBITED

All prisoners and members who report sexual abuse or sexual harassment or who cooperate with sexual abuse or sexual harassment investigations shall be protected from retaliation (28 CFR 115.167). If any other individual who cooperates with an investigation expresses a fear of retaliation, appropriate measures shall be taken to protect that individual.

The Patrol Sergeant or the authorized designee shall employ multiple protection measures, such as housing changes or transfers for prisoner victims or abusers, removal of alleged abusers from contact with victims, and emotional support services for prisoners or members who fear retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or sexual harassment or for cooperating with investigations.

The Patrol Sergeant or the authorized designee shall identify a staff member to monitor the conduct and treatment of prisoners or members who have reported sexual abuse and of prisoners who were reported to have suffered sexual abuse. The staff member shall act promptly to remedy any such retaliation. In the case of prisoners, such monitoring shall also include periodic status checks.

#### 904.7 REVIEWS AND AUDITS

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#### 904.7.1 INCIDENT REVIEWS

An incident review shall be conducted at the conclusion of every sexual abuse investigation, unless the allegation has been determined to be unfounded. The review should occur within 30 days of the conclusion of the investigation. The review team shall include upper-level management officials and seek input from line supervisors and investigators (28 CFR 115.186).

The review shall (28 CFR 115.186):

- (a) Consider whether the allegation or investigation indicates a need to change policy or practice to better prevent, detect or respond to sexual abuse.
- (b) Consider whether the incident or allegation was motivated by race; ethnicity; gender identity; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or intersex identification, status or perceived status; gang affiliation; or was motivated or otherwise caused by other group dynamics at the facility.
- (c) Examine the area in the facility where the incident allegedly occurred to assess whether physical barriers in the area may enable abuse.
- (d) Assess the adequacy of staffing levels in that area during different shifts.
- (e) Assess whether monitoring technology should be deployed or augmented to supplement supervision by staff.

The review team shall prepare a report of its findings, including any determinations made pursuant to this section and any recommendations for improvement. The report shall be submitted to the Chief of Police and the PREA Coordinator. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall implement the recommendations for improvement or shall document the reasons for not doing so (28 CFR 115.186).

#### 904.7.2 DATA REVIEWS

The facility shall conduct an annual review of collected and aggregated incident-based sexual abuse data. The review should include, as needed, data from incident-based documents, including reports, investigation files and sexual abuse incident reviews (28 CFR 115.187).

The purpose of these reviews is to assess and improve the effectiveness of sexual abuse prevention, detection and response policies, practices and training. An annual report shall be prepared that includes (28 CFR 115.188):

- (a) Identification of any potential problem areas.
- (b) Identification of any corrective actions taken.
- (c) Recommendations for any additional corrective actions.
- (d) A comparison of the current year's data and corrective actions with those from prior years.
- (e) An assessment of the department's progress in addressing sexual abuse.

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The report shall be approved by the Chief of Police and made readily available to the public through the department website or, if it does not have one, through other means. Material may be redacted from the reports when publication would present a clear and specific threat to the safety and security of the Temporary Holding Facility. However, the nature of the redacted material shall be indicated.

All aggregated sexual abuse data from Sweet Home Police Department facilities and private facilities with which it contracts shall be made readily available to the public at least annually through the department website or, if it does not have one, through other means. Before making aggregated sexual abuse data publicly available, all personal identifiers shall be removed (28 CFR 115.189).

#### **904.8 RECORDS**

The Department shall retain all written reports from administrative and criminal investigations pursuant to this policy for as long as the alleged abuser is held or employed by the Department, plus five years (28 CFR 115.171).

All other data collected pursuant to this policy shall be securely retained for at least 10 years after the date of the initial collection unless federal, state or local law requires otherwise (28 CFR 115.189).

#### 904.9 TRAINING

All employees, volunteers and contractors who may have contact with prisoners shall receive department-approved training on the prevention and detection of sexual abuse and sexual harassment within this facility. The Training Sergeant shall be responsible for developing and administering this training as appropriate, covering at a minimum (28 CFR 115.131):

- The Department's zero-tolerance policy and prisoners' right to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or harassment.
- The dynamics of sexual abuse and harassment in confinement settings, including which prisoners are most vulnerable.
- The right of prisoners and staff members to be free from sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and from retaliation for reporting sexual abuse or harassment.
- Detecting and responding to signs of threatened and actual abuse.
- Communicating effectively and professionally with all prisoners.
- Compliance with relevant laws related to mandatory reporting of sexual abuse to outside authorities.

Investigators assigned to sexual abuse investigations shall also receive training in conducting such investigations in confinement settings. Training should include (28 CFR 115.134):

Techniques for interviewing sexual abuse victims.

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- Proper use of Miranda and Garrity warnings.
- Sexual abuse evidence collection in confinement settings.
- Criteria and evidence required to substantiate a case for administrative action or prosecution referral.

The Training Sergeant shall maintain documentation that employees, volunteers, contractors and investigators have completed required training and that they understand the training. This understanding shall be documented through individual signature or electronic verification.

All current employees and volunteers who may have contact with prisoners shall be trained within one year of the effective date of the PREA standards. The agency shall provide annual refresher information to all such employees and volunteers to ensure that they understand the current sexual abuse and sexual harassment policies and procedures.

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**Chapter 10 - Personnel** 

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## **Recruitment and Selection**

#### 1000.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides a framework for employee recruiting efforts and identifying job-related standards for the selection process. This policy supplements the rules that govern employment practices for the Sweet Home Police Department and that are promulgated and maintained by the Personnel Department.

#### 1000.2 POLICY

In accordance with applicable federal, state, and local law, the Sweet Home Police Department provides equal opportunities for applicants and employees, regardless of actual or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, pregnancy, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, and any other classification or status protected by law. The Department does not show partiality or grant any special status to any applicant, employee, or group of employees unless otherwise required by law.

The Department will recruit and hire only those individuals who demonstrate a commitment to service and who possess the traits and characteristics that reflect personal integrity and high ethical standards.

#### 1000.3 RECRUITMENT

The Administrative Services Division Commander shall employ a comprehensive recruitment and selection strategy to recruit and select employees from a qualified and diverse pool of candidates.

The strategy shall include:

- (a) Establishment of a written recruitment plan.
  - 1. The plan shall include an outline of steps for recruiting candidates who are representative of the community. This should include candidates who live in or are from the community, if appropriate and consistent with applicable laws and memorandums of understanding or collective bargaining agreements.
- (b) Identification of racially and culturally diverse target markets.
- (c) Use of marketing strategies to target diverse applicant pools.
- (d) Expanded use of technology and maintenance of a strong internet presence. This may include an interactive department website and the use of department-managed social networking sites, if resources permit.
- (e) Expanded outreach through partnerships with media, community groups, citizen academies, local colleges, universities, and the military.
- (f) Employee referral and recruitment incentive programs.
- (g) Consideration of shared or collaborative regional testing processes.

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The Administrative Services Division Commander shall avoid advertising, recruiting, and screening practices that tend to stereotype, focus on homogeneous applicant pools, or screen applicants in a discriminatory manner.

The Department should strive to facilitate and expedite the screening and testing process, and should periodically inform each candidate of their status in the recruiting process.

#### 1000.3.1 JUDGMENT UNDER PRESSURE

- (a) The ability to apply common sense during pressure situations
- (b) The ability to make sound decisions on the spot
- (c) The ability to use good judgment in dealing with potentially explosive situations
- (d) The ability to make effective, logical decisions under pressure
- (e) The following may be disqualifying:
  - Admission(s) of administrative conviction or criminal convictions for any act amounting to assault under color of authority or any other violation of federal or state Civil Rights laws
  - Any admission(s) of administrative conviction or criminal conviction for failure to properly report witnessed criminal conduct committed by another law enforcement officer

#### 1000.4 SELECTION PROCESS

The Department shall actively strive to identify a diverse group of candidates who have in some manner distinguished themselves as being outstanding prospects. Minimally, the Department shall employ a comprehensive screening, background investigation, and selection process that assesses cognitive and physical abilities and includes review and verification of the following:

- (a) A comprehensive application for employment (including previous employment, references, current and prior addresses, education, and military record)
  - The personnel records of any applicant for officer or reserve officer shall be requested from any law enforcement agency where the applicant was previously employed and reviewed prior to extending an offer of employment (ORS 181A.667).
  - Employment information from another law enforcement agency is confidential and may not be disclosed except as provided in ORS 192.355. The information received may only be used for investigative leads and shall be independently verified (ORS 181A.668).
- (b) Driving record
- (c) Personal and professional reference checks
- (d) Employment eligibility, including U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Employment Eligibility Verification Form I-9 and acceptable identity and employment

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authorization documents. This required documentation should not be requested until a candidate is hired. This does not prohibit obtaining documents required for other purposes.

- (e) Information obtained from public internet sites
  - 1. This review should include the identification of any activity that promotes or supports unlawful violence or unlawful bias against persons based on protected characteristics (e.g., race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability).
- (f) Financial history consistent with the Fair Credit Reporting Act (FCRA) (15 USC § 1681 et seq.) and ORS 659A.320
- (g) Local, state, and federal criminal history record checks
- (h) Medical and psychological examination (may only be given after a conditional offer of employment)
- (i) Review board or selection committee assessment
- (j) Relevant national and state decertification records, if available, including the National Decertification Index
- (k) Any relevant information in the National Law Enforcement Accountability Database

#### 1000.4.1 VETERAN PREFERENCE

Veterans of the United States Armed Forces who served on active duty and who meet the minimum qualification for employment may receive preference pursuant to ORS 408.230.

#### 1000.5 BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION

Every candidate shall undergo a thorough background investigation to verify his/her personal integrity and high ethical standards, and to identify any past behavior that may be indicative of the candidate's unsuitability to perform duties relevant to the operation of the Sweet Home Police Department (OAR 259-008-0015).

#### 1000.5.1 NOTICES

Background investigators shall ensure that investigations are conducted and notices provided in accordance with the requirements of the FCRA (15 USC § 1681d).

#### 1000.5.2 REVIEW OF SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

Due to the potential for accessing unsubstantiated, private, or protected information, the Administrative Services Division Commander should not require candidates to provide passwords, account information, or access to password-protected social media accounts.

The Administrative Services Division Commander should consider utilizing the services of an appropriately trained and experienced third party to conduct open source, internet-based searches and/or review information from social media sites to ensure that:

- (a) The legal rights of candidates are protected.
- (b) Material and information to be considered are verified, accurate, and validated.

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(c) The Department fully complies with applicable privacy protections and local, state, and federal law.

Regardless of whether a third party is used, the Administrative Services Division Commander should ensure that potentially impermissible information is not available to any person involved in the candidate selection process.

#### 1000.5.3 DOCUMENTING AND REPORTING

The background investigator shall summarize the results of the background investigation in a report that includes sufficient information to allow the reviewing authority to decide whether to extend a conditional offer of employment. The report shall not include any information that is prohibited from use, including that from social media sites, in making employment decisions. The report and all supporting documentation shall be included in the candidate's background investigation file.

#### 1000.5.4 RECORDS RETENTION

The background report and all supporting documentation shall be maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

#### 1000.5.5 STATE NOTICES

Background investigators shall ensure that investigations are conducted and notices provided in accordance with ORS 659A.320.

#### 1000.6 DISQUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

As a general rule, performance indicators and candidate information and records shall be evaluated by considering the candidate as a whole, and taking into consideration the following:

- Age at the time the behavior occurred
- Passage of time
- Patterns of past behavior
- Severity of behavior
- Probable consequences if past behavior is repeated or made public
- Likelihood of recurrence
- Relevance of past behavior to public safety employment
- Aggravating and mitigating factors
- Other relevant considerations

A candidate's qualifications will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, using a totality-of-the-circumstances framework.

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#### 1000.7 EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS

All candidates shall meet the minimum standards required by state law (OAR 259-008-0010; OAR 259-008-0300). Candidates will be evaluated based on merit, ability, competence, and experience, in accordance with the high standards of integrity and ethics valued by the Department and the community.

Validated, job-related, and nondiscriminatory employment standards shall be established for each job classification and shall minimally identify the training, abilities, knowledge, and skills required to perform the position's essential duties in a satisfactory manner. Each standard should include performance indicators for candidate evaluation. The Personnel Department should maintain validated standards for all positions.

#### 1000.7.1 STANDARDS FOR OFFICERS

Candidates shall meet the minimum standards established by the Oregon Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST), including the following (OAR 259-008-0010; OAR 259-008-0300):

- (a) Be a citizen of the United States or a nonimmigrant legally admitted to the United States under a Compact of Free Association within 18 months of hire date
- (b) Be at least 21 years of age
- (c) Be fingerprinted for a check by the Oregon State Police Identification Services Section within 90 days of employment
- (d) Be free of convictions for any of the following:
  - 1. Any felony
  - 2. Any offense for which the maximum term of imprisonment is more than one year
  - 3. Any offense related to the unlawful use, possession, delivery, or manufacture of a controlled substance, narcotic, or dangerous drug
  - 4. Any offense that would subject the candidate to a denial or revocation of a peace officer license
- (e) Meet the moral fitness standards
- (f) Possess a high school diploma, GED equivalent, or a four-year post-secondary degree
- (g) Complete a medical examination
- (h) Meet the physical standards requirements
- (i) Complete a psychological screening (ORS 181A.485)
- (j) Complete a law enforcement skills proficiency test

#### 1000.7.2 STANDARDS FOR DISPATCHERS

Candidates shall meet the minimum standards established by DPSST, including the following (OAR 259-008-0011; OAR 259-008-0300):

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- (a) Be fingerprinted for a check by the Oregon State Police Identification Services Section within 90 days of employment
- (b) Be free of convictions for any of the following:
  - 1. Any felony
  - 2. Any offense for which the maximum term of imprisonment is more than one year
  - 3. Any offense related to the unlawful use, possession, delivery, or manufacture of a controlled substance, narcotic, or dangerous drug
  - 4. Any offense that would subject the candidate to a denial or revocation of a telecommunicator license
- (c) Meet the moral fitness standards
- (d) Possess a high school diploma, GED equivalent, or a four-year advanced degree
- (e) Complete a medical examination
- (f) Meet the physical standards requirements
- (g) Complete a psychological screening

#### 1000.8 PROBATIONARY PERIODS

The Administrative Services Division Commander should coordinate with the Sweet Home Personnel Department to identify positions subject to probationary periods and procedures for:

- (a) Appraising performance during probation.
- (b) Assessing the level of performance required to complete probation.
- (c) Extending probation.
- (d) Documenting successful or unsuccessful completion of probation.

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# **Evaluation of Employees**

#### 1002.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The department's employee performance evaluation system is designed to record work performance for both the Department and the employee, providing recognition for good work and developing a guide for improvement.

#### 1002.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department utilizes a performance evaluation report to measure performance and to use as a factor in making personnel decisions that relate to merit increases, promotion, reassignment, discipline, demotion, and termination. The evaluation report is intended to serve as a guide for work planning and review by the supervisor and employee. It gives supervisors a way to create an objective history of work performance based on job standards.

The Department evaluates employees in a non-discriminatory manner based upon job-related factors specific to the employee's position, without regard to actual or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, pregnancy, genetic information, veteran status, marital status, and any other classification or status protected by law.

#### 1002.3 FULL TIME PROBATIONARY PERSONNEL

Civilian personnel are on probation for 12 months before being eligible as permanent employees.

Sworn personnel are on probation for 18 months before being eligible for certification as permanent employees. Probationary officers who have successfully completed the F.T.P. are evaluated at 9, 12 and 18 months during the probationary period.

Dispatch personnel are on probation for 18 months before being eligible for certification as permanent employees. Probationary dispatchers who have successfully completed the F.T.P. are evaluated at 2, 12 and 18 months during the probationary period.

#### 1002.4 FULL-TIME PERMANENT STATUS PERSONNEL

Permanent employees are subject to two types of performance evaluations:

**Regular** - All employees will be evaluated at the end of their probationary period and then annually on their anniversary date.

**Special** - A special evaluation may be completed any time the rater and the rater's supervisor feel one is necessary due to employee performance that is deemed less than standard. Generally, the special evaluation will be the tool used to demonstrate those areas of performance deemed less than standard when follow-up action is planned (work plan, remedial training, retraining, etc.). The evaluation form and the attached documentation shall be submitted as one package.

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#### 1002.4.1 RATING DEFINITIONS

When completing the Employee Performance Evaluation, the rater will place a check mark in the column that best describes the employee's performance. The definition of each rating category is as follows:

**Outstanding** - Is actual performance well beyond that required for the position. It is exceptional performance, definitely superior or extraordinary.

**Exceeds Standards** - Represents performance that is better than expected of a fully competent employee. It is superior to what is expected, but is not of such rare nature to warrant outstanding.

**Meets Standards** - Is the performance of a fully competent employee. It means satisfactory performance that meets the standards required of the position.

**Needs Improvement** - Is a level of performance less than that expected of a fully competent employee and less than standards required of the position. A needs improvement rating must be thoroughly discussed with the employee.

**Unsatisfactory** - Performance is inferior to the standards required of the position. It is very inadequate or undesirable performance that cannot be tolerated.

Space for written comments is provided at the end of the evaluation in the rater comments section. This section allows the rater to document the employee's strengths, weaknesses and suggestions for improvement. Any rating under any job dimension marked unsatisfactory or outstanding shall be substantiated in the rater comments section.

#### 1002.5 EVALUATION INTERVIEW

When the supervisor has completed the preliminary evaluation, arrangements shall be made for a private discussion of the evaluation with the employee. The supervisor should discuss the results of the just completed rating period and clarify any questions the employee may have. If the employee has valid and reasonable protests of any of the ratings, the supervisor may make appropriate changes to the evaluation. Areas needing improvement and goals for reaching the expected level of performance should be identified and discussed. The supervisor should also provide relevant counseling regarding advancement, specialty positions and training opportunities. The supervisor and employee will sign and date the evaluation. Permanent employees may also write comments in the employee comments section of the performance evaluation report.

#### 1002.6 EVALUATION REVIEW

After the supervisor finishes the discussion with the employee, the performance evaluation is forwarded to the Chief of Police. The Chief shall review the evaluation for fairness, impartiality, uniformity, and consistency. The Chief may discuss the evaluation with the employee and/or add comments.

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#### 1002.7 EVALUATION DISTRIBUTION

The original performance evaluation shall be maintained in the employee's personnel file in the office of the Chief of Police for the tenure of the employee's employment. A copy will be given to the employee and a copy may be forwarded to City Personnel Department.

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# **Special Assignments and Promotions**

#### 1004.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for promotions and for making special assignments within the Sweet Home Police Department.

#### 1004.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department determines assignments and promotions in a nondiscriminatory manner based upon job-related factors and candidate skills and qualifications. Assignments and promotions are made by the Chief of Police.

#### 1004.3 SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT POSITIONS

The following positions are considered special assignments and not promotions:

- (a) Special Weapons and Tactics Team member
- (b) Investigator
- (c) Motorcycle Officer
- (d)
- (e) Canine handler
- (f) Collision investigator
- (g) Field Training Officer
- (h) School Resource and/or Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.)

#### 1004.3.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements should be considered when selecting a candidate for a special assignment:

- (a) Three years of relevant experience
- (b) Off probation
- (c) Possession of or ability to obtain any certification required by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training or law
- (d) Exceptional skills, experience, or abilities related to the special assignment

#### 1004.3.2 EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following criteria will be used in evaluating candidates for a special assignment

- (a) Presents a professional, neat appearance.
- (b) Maintains a physical condition that aids in his/her performance.
- (c) Expresses an interest in the assignment.
- (d) Demonstrates the following traits:
  - 1. Emotional stability and maturity.

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- 2. Stress tolerance.
- 3. Sound ethical judgment and decision-making.
- 4. Personal integrity and ethical conduct.
- 5. Leadership skills.
- 6. Initiative.
- 7. Adaptability and flexibility.
- 8. Ability to conform to department goals and objectives in a positive manner.

#### 1004.3.3 SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process for special assignments will include an administrative evaluation as determined by the Chief of Police to include:

- (a) Supervisor recommendations Each supervisor who has supervised or otherwise been involved with the candidate will submit a recommendation.
  - The supervisor recommendations will be submitted to the Chief of Police
     (a)
- (b) Assignment by the Chief of Police.

The selection process for all special assignment positions may be waived for temporary assignments, emergency situations, training, and at the discretion of the Chief of Police.

#### 1004.4 PROMOTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Requirements and information regarding any promotional process are available at the Sweet Home Personnel Department.

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# **Grievance Procedure**

#### 1006.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

It is the policy of this department that all grievances be handled quickly and fairly without discrimination against employees who file a grievance whether or not there is a basis for the grievance. This department's philosophy is to promote a free verbal communication between employees and supervisors.

#### 1006.1.1 GRIEVANCE DEFINED

For the purposes of this procedure a grievance is any difference of opinion concerning terms or conditions of employment, or a dispute involving the interpretation, or application of any department policies or City rules and regulations covering personnel practices or working conditions, by the affected persons.

Grievances may be brought by an individually affected employee or by a group representative.

Specifically outside the category of grievances are complaints related to allegations of discrimination or harassment subject to the Discriminatory Harassment Policy. Also outside the category of grievances are personnel complaints regarding any allegation of misconduct or improper job performance against any department employee that, if true, would constitute a violation of department policy federal, state, or local law, as set forth in the Personnel Complaints Policy.

#### 1006.1.2 DUPLICATE PROCEDURES

The grievance procedures set forth in this policy shall not be used in addition to other grievance procedures as may be in effect through the governing jurisdiction or the eligible employee's collective bargaining agreement.

Under no circumstances shall more than one administrative process be used to redress the same grievance, although use of this or other procedures does not preclude employees from seeking legal remedies as appropriate.

#### 1006.2 PROCEDURE

If an employee believes that he or she has a grievance as defined above, then that employee shall observe the following procedure:

- (a) Attempt to resolve the issue through informal discussion with immediate supervisor.
- (b) If after a reasonable amount of time, generally seven days, the grievance cannot be settled by the immediate supervisor, the employee may request an interview with the Division Commander of the affected division or division.
- (c) If a successful resolution is not found with the Division Commander, the employee may request a meeting with the Chief of Police.

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- (d) If the employee and the Chief of Police are unable to arrive at a mutual solution, then the employee shall proceed as follows:
  - Submit in writing a written statement of the grievance and deliver one copy to the Chief of Police and another copy to the immediate supervisor and include the following information:
    - (a) The basis for the grievance (i.e., what are the facts of the case?)
    - (b) Allegation of the specific wrongful act and the harm done.
    - (c) The specific policies, rules or regulations believed to have been violated.
    - (d) What remedy or goal is sought by this grievance.
- (e) The employee shall receive a copy of the acknowledgment signed by the supervisor including the date and time of receipt.
- (f) The Chief of Police will receive the grievance in writing. The Chief of Police and the City Manager will review and analyze the facts or allegations and respond to the employee within 14 calendar days. The response will be in writing, and will affirm or deny the allegations. The response shall include any remedies if appropriate. The decision of the City Manager is considered final.

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# **Anti-Retaliation**

#### 1008.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy prohibits retaliation against members who identify workplace issues, such as fraud, waste, abuse of authority, gross mismanagement or any inappropriate conduct or practices, including violations that may pose a threat to the health, safety or well-being of members.

This policy does not prohibit actions taken for nondiscriminatory or non-retaliatory reasons, such as discipline for cause.

These guidelines are intended to supplement and not limit members' access to other applicable remedies. Nothing in this policy shall diminish the rights or remedies of a member pursuant to any applicable federal law, provision of the U.S. Constitution, law, ordinance or collective bargaining agreement.

#### 1008.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department has a zero tolerance for retaliation and is committed to taking reasonable steps to protect from retaliation members who, in good faith, engage in permitted behavior or who report or participate in the reporting or investigation of workplace issues. All complaints of retaliation will be taken seriously and will be promptly and appropriately investigated.

#### 1008.3 RETALIATION PROHIBITED

No member may retaliate against any person for engaging in lawful or otherwise permitted behavior; for opposing a practice believed to be unlawful, unethical, discriminatory or retaliatory; for reporting or making a complaint under this policy; or for participating in any investigation related to a complaint under this or any other policy.

Retaliation includes any adverse action or conduct, including but not limited to:

- Refusing to hire or denying a promotion.
- Extending the probationary period.
- Unjustified reassignment of duties or change of work schedule.
- Real or implied threats or other forms of intimidation to dissuade the reporting of wrongdoing or filing of a complaint, or as a consequence of having reported or participated in protected activity.
- Taking unwarranted disciplinary action.
- Spreading rumors about the person filing the complaint or about the alleged wrongdoing.
- Shunning or unreasonably avoiding a person because he/she has engaged in protected activity.

#### 1008.4 COMPLAINTS OF RETALIATION

Any member who feels he/she has been retaliated against in violation of this policy should promptly report the matter to any supervisor, command staff member, Chief of Police or the City Personnel Manager.

Members shall act in good faith, not engage in unwarranted reporting of trivial or minor deviations or transgressions, and make reasonable efforts to verify facts before making any complaint in order to avoid baseless allegations. Members shall not report or state an intention to report information or an allegation knowing it to be false, with willful or reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the information or otherwise act in bad faith.

Investigations are generally more effective when the identity of the reporting member is known, thereby allowing investigators to obtain additional information from the reporting member. However, complaints may be made anonymously. All reasonable efforts shall be made to protect the reporting member's identity. However, confidential information may be disclosed to the extent required by law or to the degree necessary to conduct an adequate investigation and make a determination regarding a complaint. In some situations, the investigative process may not be complete unless the source of the information and a statement by the member is part of the investigative process.

#### 1008.5 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisors are expected to remain familiar with this policy and ensure that members under their command are aware of its provisions.

The responsibilities of supervisors include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Ensuring complaints of retaliation are investigated as provided in the Personnel Complaints Policy.
- (b) Receiving all complaints in a fair and impartial manner.
- (c) Documenting the complaint and any steps taken to resolve the problem.
- (d) Acknowledging receipt of the complaint, notifying the Chief of Police via the chain of command and explaining to the member how the complaint will be handled.
- (e) Taking appropriate and reasonable steps to mitigate any further violations of this policy.
- (f) Monitoring the work environment to ensure that any member making a complaint is not subjected to further retaliation.
- (g) Periodic follow-up with the complainant to ensure that retaliation is not continuing.
- (h) Not interfering with or denying the right of a member to make any complaint.
- (i) Taking reasonable steps to accommodate requests for assignment or schedule changes made by a member who may be the target of retaliation if it would likely mitigate the potential for further violations of this policy.

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#### 1008.6 COMMAND STAFF RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief of Police should communicate to all supervisors the prohibition against retaliation.

Command staff shall treat all complaints as serious matters and shall ensure that prompt actions take place, including but not limited to:

- (a) Communicating to all members the prohibition against retaliation.
- (b) The timely review of complaint investigations.
- (c) Remediation of any inappropriate conduct or condition and instituting measures to eliminate or minimize the likelihood of recurrence.
- (d) The timely communication of the outcome to the complainant.

#### 1008.7 WHISTLE-BLOWING

Oregon law protects employees who disclose or threaten to disclose information that the employee reasonably believes is evidence of (ORS 659A.203):

- (a) A violation of federal, state, or local law, rule, or regulation.
- (b) Mismanagement, gross waste of funds, abuse of authority, or substantial and specific danger to public health and safety.
- (c) A person who is receiving public assistance is subject to a felony or misdemeanor warrant.

Employees are encouraged to report such violations or disclosures of information through the chain of command (ORS 659A.221; ORS 654.062).

Members who believe they have been the subject of retaliation for engaging in such protected behaviors should promptly report it to a supervisor. Supervisors should refer the complaint to the Internal Affairs Investigator for investigation pursuant to the Personnel Complaints Policy.

#### 1008.8 RECORDS RETENTION AND RELEASE

The Records Clerk shall ensure that documentation of investigations is maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedules.

#### **1008.9 TRAINING**

The policy should be reviewed with each new member.

All members should receive periodic refresher training on the requirements of this policy.

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# Reporting of Arrests, Convictions, and Court Orders

#### 1010.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to describe the notification requirements and procedures that members must follow when certain arrests, convictions, and court orders restrict their ability to perform the official duties and responsibilities of the Sweet Home Police Department. This policy will also describe the notification requirements and procedures that certain retired officers must follow when an arrest, conviction, or court order disqualifies them from possessing a firearm.

#### 1010.2 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CONVICTIONS AND RESTRAINING ORDERS

Oregon and federal law prohibit individuals convicted of certain offenses and individuals subject to certain court orders from lawfully possessing a firearm. Such convictions and court orders often involve allegations of the use or attempted use of force or threatened use of a weapon on any individual in a domestic relationship (e.g., spouse, cohabitant, parent, child) (18 USC § 922; ORS 107.095(5); ORS 166.255; ORS 166.270; ORS 166.527).

All members are responsible for ensuring that they have not been disqualified from possessing a firearm by any such conviction or court order and shall promptly report any such conviction or court order to a supervisor, as provided in this policy.

#### 1010.3 OTHER CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND COURT ORDERS

OAR 259-008-0300 prohibits any person convicted of a felony and certain other crimes from being a peace officer in the State of Oregon. This prohibition applies regardless of whether the guilt was established by way of a verdict, guilty, or nolo contendere plea.

Convictions of certain violations of the Vehicle Code and other provisions of law may also place restrictions on an employee's ability to fully perform the duties of the job.

While legal restrictions may or may not be imposed by statute or by the courts upon conviction of any criminal offense, criminal conduct by members of this department may be inherently in conflict with law enforcement duties and the public trust, and shall be reported as provided in this policy.

#### 1010.4 REPORTING

All members and all retired officers with identification cards issued by the Department shall promptly notify their immediate supervisor (or the Chief of Police in the case of retired officers) in writing of any past or current criminal detention, arrest, charge, or conviction in any state or foreign country, regardless of whether the matter was dropped or rejected, is currently pending, or is on appeal, and regardless of the penalty or sentence, if any.

All members and all retired officers with identification cards issued by the Department shall further promptly notify their immediate supervisor (or the Chief of Police in the case of retired officers) in writing if they become the subject of a domestic violence restraining order or any court order

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that prevents the member or retired officer from possessing a firearm or requires suspension or revocation of applicable DPSST certification.

Any member whose criminal arrest, conviction, or court order restricts or prohibits that member from fully and properly performing his/her duties, including carrying a firearm, may be disciplined. This includes but is not limited to being placed on administrative leave, reassignment, and/or termination. Any effort to remove such disqualification or restriction shall remain entirely the responsibility of the member, on his/her own time and at his/her own expense.

Any member failing to provide prompt written notice pursuant to this policy shall be subject to discipline, up to and including termination.

Retired officers may have their identification cards rescinded or modified, as may be appropriate (see the Retiree Concealed Firearms Policy).

1010.5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC STANDARDS AND TRAINING (DPSST) NOTIFICATION An officer or dispatcher who is arrested or who receives a criminal citation to appear, or its equivalent, shall notify DPSST in writing within five business days of the following (OAR 259-008-0010; OAR 259-008-0011):

- (a) The date of the arrest or citation
- (b) The location of the arrest or citation
- (c) The reason for the arrest or citation
- (d) The arresting or citing agency

#### **1010.6 POLICY**

The Sweet Home Police Department requires disclosure of member arrests, convictions, and certain court orders to maintain the high standards, ethics, and integrity in its workforce, and to ensure compatibility with the duties and responsibilities of the Department.

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# **Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace**

#### 1012.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear and uniform guidelines regarding drugs and alcohol in the workplace (41 USC § 8103).

#### **1012.2 POLICY**

It is the policy of this department to provide a drug- and alcohol-free workplace for all members.

#### 1012.2.1 RANDOM DRUG TESTING POLICY

All employees of the Sweet Home Police Department, with the exception of the typist and car washer are subject to unannounced drug testing. 40% of the total employees in the above categories will be tested each calendar year. An outside, independent, testing source will randomly select approximately 10% of the employees for testing each quarter. Testing will be conducted using standard "best practice" medical protocols for such testing.

Any employee who brings his/her controlled substance abuse to the attention of the Chief <u>at any</u> <u>time prior to the employee being selected for a testing</u> may be referred to the City of Sweet Home's Employee Assistance Program. Nothing in this section will prohibit possible discipline depending on the individual circumstances involved.

However, once an employee's name has been selected for testing and that employee then admits or is determined through testing, to have used an illegal controlled substance, a controlled substance not lawfully prescribed to the employee or who has abused a controlled substance that was legally prescribed to the employee, he/she will be subject to immediate suspension from duty, pending dismissal from employment. Any discipline under this policy is subject to the provisions of Article #15 of the current collective Bargaining Agreement.

This policy also includes the Chief of Police, who is the normal contact person for test scheduling and receiving test results. In any random selection where the Chief is selected, notification of his/her selection and any subsequent communications regarding his/her results will be handled through the City Manager. In addition to the above random testing, any employee operating a city vehicle involved in a motor vehicle accident resulting in significant property damage or injury to any person; any on-duty accident resulting in injury to themselves or to others; or based on observations, appears to be under the influence of a controlled substance, will be subject to immediate drug testing.

#### 1012.3 GENERAL GUIDELINES

Alcohol and drug use in the workplace or on department time can endanger the health and safety of department members and the public.

Members who have consumed an amount of an alcoholic beverage or taken any medication, or combination thereof, that would tend to adversely affect their mental or physical abilities shall not report for duty. Affected members shall notify the Patrol Sergeant or appropriate supervisor as soon as the member is aware that the member will not be able to report to work. If the member is

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unable to make the notification, every effort should be made to have a representative contact the supervisor in a timely manner. If the member is adversely affected while on-duty, the member shall be immediately removed and released from work (see the Work Restrictions section in this policy).

#### 1012.3.1 USE OF MEDICATIONS

Members should avoid taking any medications that will impair their ability to safely and completely perform their duties. Any member who is medically required or has a need to take any such medication shall report that need to his/her immediate supervisor prior to commencing any onduty status.

No member shall be permitted to work or drive a vehicle owned or leased by the Department while taking any medication that has the potential to impair his/her abilities, without a written release from his/her physician.

Possession of either recreational marijuana or medical marijuana or being under the influence of marijuana on- or off-duty is prohibited and may lead to disciplinary action.

Members who use, or intend to use, medical marijuana in connection with a disability should discuss with their supervisor other means of accommodating the disability in the workplace. The department will not agree to allow an employee to use marijuana as an accommodation.

#### 1012.4 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Members shall report for work in an appropriate mental and physical condition. Members are prohibited from purchasing, manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, possessing or using controlled substances or alcohol on department premises or on department time (41 USC § 8103). The lawful possession or use of prescribed medications or over-the-counter remedies is excluded from this prohibition.

Members who are authorized to consume alcohol as part of a special assignment shall not do so to the extent of impairing on-duty performance.

Members shall notify a supervisor immediately if they observe behavior or other evidence that they believe demonstrates that a fellow member poses a risk to the health and safety of the member or others due to drug or alcohol use.

Members are required to notify their immediate supervisors of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction (41 USC § 8103).

#### 1012.5 EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

There may be available a voluntary employee assistance program to assist those who wish to seek help for alcohol and drug problems (41 USC § 8103). Insurance coverage that provides treatment for drug and alcohol abuse also may be available. Employees should contact the Personnel Department, their insurance providers or the employee assistance program for additional information. It is the responsibility of each employee to seek assistance before alcohol or drug problems lead to performance problems.

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#### 1012.6 WORK RESTRICTIONS

If a member informs a supervisor that he/she has consumed any alcohol, drug or medication that could interfere with a safe and efficient job performance, the member may be required to obtain clearance from his/her physician before continuing to work.

If the supervisor reasonably believes, based on objective facts, that a member is impaired by the consumption of alcohol or other drugs, the supervisor shall prevent the member from continuing work and shall ensure that he/she is safely transported away from the Department.

#### 1012.7 SCREENING TESTS

A supervisor may request an employee to submit to a screening test under the following circumstances:

- (a) The supervisor reasonably believes, based upon objective facts, that the employee is under the influence of alcohol or drugs that are impairing the employee's ability to perform duties safely and efficiently.
- (b) The employee discharges a firearm in the performance of the employee's duties (excluding training or authorized euthanizing of an animal).
- (c) The employee discharges a firearm issued by the Department while off-duty, resulting in injury, death, or substantial property damage.
- (d) During the performance of the employee's duties, the employee drives a motor vehicle and becomes involved in an incident that results in bodily injury, death, or substantial damage to property.

#### 1012.7.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The supervisor shall prepare a written record documenting the specific facts that led to the decision to request the test, and shall inform the employee in writing of the following:

- (a) The test will be given to detect either alcohol or drugs, or both.
- (b) The result of the test is not admissible in any criminal proceeding against the employee.
- (c) The employee may refuse the test, but refusal may result in dismissal or other disciplinary action.

#### 1012.7.2 DISCIPLINE

An employee may be subject to disciplinary action if the employee:

- (a) Fails or refuses to submit to a screening test as requested.
- (b) After taking a screening test that indicates the presence of a controlled substance, fails to provide proof, within 72 hours after being requested, that the employee took the controlled substance as directed, pursuant to a current and lawful prescription issued in the employee's name.

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#### 1012.8 COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE ACT

No later than 30 days following notice of any drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace involving a member, the Department will take appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal, and/or requiring the member to satisfactorily participate in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program (41 USC § 8104).

#### 1012.9 CONFIDENTIALITY

The Department recognizes the confidentiality and privacy due to its members. Disclosure of any information relating to substance abuse treatment, except on a need-to-know basis, shall only be with the express written consent of the member involved or pursuant to lawful process.

The written results of any screening tests and all documents generated by the employee assistance program are considered confidential medical records and shall be maintained in the member's confidential medical file in accordance with the Personnel Records Policy.

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# **Sick Leave**

#### 1014.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides general guidance regarding the use and processing of sick leave. The accrual and terms of use of sick leave for eligible employees are detailed in the City personnel manual or applicable collective bargaining agreement (ORS 653.606; ORS 653.611).

This policy is not intended to cover all types of sick or other leaves. For example, employees may be entitled to additional paid or unpaid leave for certain family and medical reasons as provided for in the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) and the Oregon Family Leave Act, or leave related to protections because of domestic violence, harassment, sexual assault, bias crimes, or stalking (29 USC § 2601 et seq.; ORS 659A.150 et seq.; ORS 659A.270 et seq.).

#### 1014.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to provide eligible employees with a sick leave benefit.

#### 1014.3 USE OF SICK LEAVE

Sick leave is intended to be used for qualified absences (ORS 653.616; OAR 839-007-0020).

Sick leave is not considered vacation. Abuse of sick leave may result in discipline, denial of sick leave benefits, or both.

Employees on sick leave shall not engage in other employment or self-employment or participate in any sport, hobby, recreational activity or other activity that may impede recovery from the injury or illness (see the Outside Employment Policy).

#### 1014.3.1 NOTIFICATION

All members should notify the Patrol Sergeant or appropriate supervisor as soon as they are aware that they will not be able to report to work and no less than one hour before the start of their scheduled shifts or as soon as practicable when there are extenuating circumstances. If, due to an emergency, a member is unable to contact the supervisor, every effort should be made to have a representative for the member contact the supervisor (ORS 653.621; OAR 839-007-0040).

When the necessity to be absent from work is foreseeable, such as planned medical appointments or treatments, the member shall, whenever possible and practicable, provide the Department with no less than 10 days' notice of the impending absence. The member shall make a reasonable attempt to schedule the use of sick time so that it does not disrupt the operations of the Department (ORS 653.621; OAR 839-007-0040).

Upon return to work, members are responsible for ensuring their time off was appropriately accounted for, and for completing and submitting the required documentation describing the type of time off used and the specific amount of time taken.

#### 1014.4 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of supervisors include, but are not limited to:

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- (a) Monitoring and regularly reviewing the attendance of those under their command to ensure that the use of sick leave and absences is consistent with this policy.
- (b) Attempting to determine whether an absence of four or more days may qualify as family medical leave and consulting with legal counsel or the Personnel Manager as appropriate.
- (c) Addressing absences and sick leave use in the member's performance evaluation when excessive or unusual use has:
  - Negatively affected the member's performance or ability to complete assigned duties.
  - 2. Negatively affected department operations.
- (d) When appropriate, counseling members regarding excessive absences and/or inappropriate use of sick leave.
- (e) Referring eligible members to an available employee assistance program when appropriate.

#### 1014.5 EXTENDED ABSENCE

Members absent from duty for more than three consecutive days may be required to furnish a statement from a health care provider supporting the need to be absent and/or the ability to return to work (ORS 653.626; OAR 839-007-0045).

Members on an extended absence shall, if possible, contact their supervisor at specified intervals to provide an update on their absence and expected date of return.

Nothing in this section precludes a supervisor from requiring, with cause, a health care provider's statement for an absence of three or fewer days (ORS 653.626; OAR 839-007-0045).

When a verification from a health care provider is required, the Department shall pay reasonable costs, including lost wages, associated with obtaining the verification that are not paid under the member's health benefit plan (ORS 653.626).

#### 1014.6 REQUIRED NOTICES

The Personnel Manager shall ensure that each employee is provided written notice of the following (ORS 653.631; OAR 839-007-0050):

- (a) Accrued and unused sick time available at least quarterly.
- (b) The sick leave provisions of the Oregon sick leave law as provided in ORS 653.601 et seq.

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# **Communicable Diseases**

#### 1016.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides general guidelines to assist in minimizing the risk of department members contracting and/or spreading communicable diseases.

#### 1016.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Communicable disease** - A human disease caused by microorganisms that are present in and transmissible through human blood, bodily fluid, tissue, or by breathing or coughing. These diseases commonly include, but are not limited to, hepatitis B virus (HBV), HIV and tuberculosis.

**Exposure** - When an eye, mouth, mucous membrane or non-intact skin comes into contact with blood or other potentially infectious materials, or when these substances are injected or infused under the skin; when an individual is exposed to a person who has a disease that can be passed through the air by talking, sneezing or coughing (e.g., tuberculosis), or the individual is in an area that was occupied by such a person. Exposure only includes those instances that occur due to a member's position at the Sweet Home Police Department. (See the exposure control plan for further details to assist in identifying whether an exposure has occurred.)

#### 1016.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to providing a safe work environment for its members. Members should be aware that they are ultimately responsible for their own health and safety.

#### 1016.3 EXPOSURE CONTROL OFFICER

The Chief of Police will assign a person as the Exposure Control Officer (ECO). The ECO shall develop an exposure control plan that includes:

- (a) Exposure-prevention and decontamination procedures.
- (b) Procedures for when and how to obtain medical attention in the event of an exposure or suspected exposure.
- (c) The provision that department members will have no-cost access to the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g., gloves, face masks, eye protection, pocket masks) for each member's position and risk of exposure.
- (d) Evaluation of persons in custody for any exposure risk and measures to separate them.
- (e) Compliance with all relevant laws or regulations related to communicable diseases, including:
  - 1. Complying with the Oregon Safe Employment Act (ORS 654.001 et seq.).
  - 2. Responding to requests and notifications regarding exposures covered under the Ryan White law (42 USC § 300ff-133; 42 USC § 300ff-136).

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3. Exposure control mandates in 29 CFR 1910.1030 including bloodborne pathogen precautions (OAR 437-002-0360).

The ECO should also act as the liaison with the Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OR-OSHA) and may request voluntary compliance inspections. The ECO should annually review and update the exposure control plan and review implementation of the plan.

#### 1016.4 EXPOSURE PREVENTION AND MITIGATION

#### 1016.4.1 GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

All members are expected to use good judgment and follow training and procedures related to mitigating the risks associated with communicable disease. This includes, but is not limited to (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360):

- (a) Stocking disposable gloves, antiseptic hand cleanser, CPR masks or other specialized equipment in the work area or department vehicles, as applicable.
- (b) Wearing department-approved disposable gloves when contact with blood, other potentially infectious materials, mucous membranes and non-intact skin can be reasonably anticipated.
- (c) Washing hands immediately or as soon as feasible after removal of gloves or other PPE.
- (d) Treating all human blood and bodily fluids/tissue as if it is known to be infectious for a communicable disease.
- (e) Using an appropriate barrier device when providing CPR.
- (f) Using a face mask or shield if it is reasonable to anticipate an exposure to an airborne transmissible disease.
- (g) Decontaminating non-disposable equipment (e.g., flashlight, control devices, clothing and portable radio) as soon as possible if the equipment is a potential source of exposure.
  - Clothing that has been contaminated by blood or other potentially infectious materials shall be removed immediately or as soon as feasible and stored/ decontaminated appropriately.
- (h) Handling all sharps and items that cut or puncture (e.g., needles, broken glass, razors, knives) cautiously and using puncture-resistant containers for their storage and/or transportation.
- (i) Avoiding eating, drinking or smoking, applying cosmetics or lip balm, or handling contact lenses where there is a reasonable likelihood of exposure.
- (j) Disposing of biohazardous waste appropriately or labeling biohazardous material properly when it is stored.

#### 1016.4.2 IMMUNIZATIONS

Members who could be exposed to HBV due to their positions may receive the HBV vaccine and any routine booster at no cost (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360).

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Other preventive, no-cost immunizations shall be provided to members who are at risk of contracting a communicable disease if such preventive immunization is available and is medically appropriate. A member shall not be required to be immunized unless such immunization is otherwise required by federal or state law, rule or regulation (ORS 433.416).

#### 1016.5 POST EXPOSURE

#### 1016.5.1 INITIAL POST-EXPOSURE STEPS

Members who experience an exposure or suspected exposure shall:

- (a) Begin decontamination procedures immediately (e.g., wash hands and any other skin with soap and water, flush mucous membranes with water).
- (b) Obtain medical attention as appropriate.
- (c) Notify a supervisor as soon as practicable.

#### 1016.5.2 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The supervisor on-duty shall investigate every exposure or suspected exposure that occurs as soon as possible following the incident. The supervisor shall ensure the following information is documented (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360):

- (a) Name of the member exposed
- (b) Date and time of the incident
- (c) Location of the incident
- (d) Potentially infectious materials involved and the source of exposure (e.g., identification of the person who may have been the source)
- (e) Work being done during exposure
- (f) How the incident occurred or was caused
- (g) PPE in use at the time of the incident
- (h) Actions taken post-event (e.g., clean-up, notifications)

The supervisor shall advise the member that disclosing the identity and/or infectious status of a source to the public or to anyone who is not involved in the follow-up process is prohibited. The supervisor should complete the incident documentation in conjunction with other reporting requirements that may apply (see the Occupational Disease and Work-Related Injury Reporting Policy).

#### 1016.5.3 MEDICAL CONSULTATION, EVALUATION AND TREATMENT

Department members shall have the opportunity to have a confidential medical evaluation immediately after an exposure and follow-up evaluations as necessary (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360).

The ECO should request a written opinion/evaluation from the treating medical professional that contains only the following information:

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- (a) Whether the member has been informed of the results of the evaluation.
- (b) Whether the member has been notified of any medical conditions resulting from exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials which require further evaluation or treatment.

No other information should be requested or accepted by the ECO.

### 1016.5.4 COUNSELING

The Department shall provide the member, and his/her family if necessary, the opportunity for counseling and consultation regarding the exposure (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360).

#### 1016.5.5 SOURCE TESTING

Testing a person for communicable diseases when that person was the source of an exposure should be done when it is desired by the exposed member or when it is otherwise appropriate. Source testing is the responsibility of the ECO. If the ECO is unavailable to seek timely testing of the source, it is the responsibility of the exposed member's supervisor to ensure testing is sought.

Source testing may be achieved by:

- (a) Obtaining consent from the individual.
- (b) Contacting the Oregon Health Authority to seek voluntary consent for source testing for HIV (ORS 433.065).
- (c) Petitioning for a court order to compel source testing for HIV or other communicable diseases as defined by ORS 431A.005, if a good faith effort to obtain voluntary consent is requested from the source person and not obtained (ORS 433.080; ORS 431A.570).
- (d) Working with the district attorney if the person is charged with a criminal offense that may involve exposure to a communicable disease (ORS 135.139).

Since there is the potential for overlap between the different manners in which source testing may occur, the ECO is responsible for coordinating the testing to prevent unnecessary or duplicate testing.

The ECO should seek the consent of the individual for testing and consult the City Attorney to discuss other options when no statute exists for compelling the source of an exposure to undergo testing if he/she refuses.

### 1016.6 CONFIDENTIALITY OF REPORTS

Medical information shall remain in confidential files and shall not be disclosed to anyone without the member's written consent (except as required by law). Test results from persons who may have been the source of an exposure are to be kept confidential as well.

#### **1016.7 TRAINING**

All members shall participate in training regarding communicable diseases commensurate with the requirements of their position. The training (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360):

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- (a) Shall be provided at the time of initial assignment to tasks where an occupational exposure may take place and at least annually after the initial training.
- (b) Shall be provided whenever the member is assigned new tasks or procedures affecting his/her potential exposure to communicable disease.
- (c) Should provide guidance on what constitutes an exposure, what steps can be taken to avoid an exposure and what steps should be taken if a suspected exposure occurs.

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# **Smoking and Tobacco Use**

### 1018.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes limitations on smoking and the use of tobacco products by members and others while on-duty or while in Sweet Home Police Department facilities or vehicles.

For the purposes of this policy, smoking and tobacco use includes, but is not limited to, any tobacco product, such as cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, tobacco pouches and chewing tobacco, as well as any device intended to simulate smoking, such as an electronic cigarette or personal vaporizer.

### 1018.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department recognizes that tobacco use is a health risk and can be offensive to others.

Smoking and tobacco use also presents an unprofessional image for the Department and its members. Therefore smoking and tobacco use is prohibited by members and visitors in all department facilities, buildings and vehicles, and as is further outlined in this policy (ORS 433.845; ORS 433.850).

### 1018.3 SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE

Smoking and tobacco use by members is prohibited anytime members are in public view representing the Sweet Home Police Department.

It shall be the responsibility of each member to ensure that no person under his/her supervision smokes or uses any tobacco product inside City facilities and vehicles.

### 1018.4 ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS

Visitors and the public shall not be allowed to smoke in any department facility (ORS 433.845).

### 1018.4.1 NOTICE

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall ensure that proper signage prohibiting smoking is posted at each entrance and exit to the department facilities (ORS 433.850; OAR 333-015-0040).

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# **Personnel Complaints**

### 1020.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for the reporting, investigation and disposition of complaints regarding the conduct of members of the Sweet Home Police Department. This policy shall not apply to any questioning, counseling, instruction, informal verbal admonishment or other routine or unplanned contact of a member in the normal course of duty, by a supervisor or any other member, nor shall this policy apply to a criminal investigation.

### 1020.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department takes seriously all complaints regarding the service provided by the department and the conduct of its members.

The Sweet Home Police Department will accept and address all complaints of misconduct in accordance with this policy and applicable federal, state and local law, municipal and county rules and the requirements of any collective bargaining agreements.

It is also the policy of this department to ensure that the community can report misconduct without concern for reprisal or retaliation.

### 1020.3 PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS

Personnel complaints include any allegation of misconduct or improper job performance that, if true, would constitute a violation of department policy or of federal, state or local law, policy or rule. Personnel complaints may be generated internally or by the public.

Inquiries about conduct or performance that, if true, would not violate department policy or federal, state or local law, policy or rule may be handled informally by a supervisor and shall not be considered a personnel complaint. Such inquiries generally include clarification regarding policy, procedures or the response to specific incidents by the department.

### 1020.3.1 COMPLAINT CLASSIFICATIONS

Personnel complaints shall be classified in one of the following categories:

**Informal** - A matter in which the supervisor is satisfied that appropriate action has been taken by a supervisor of rank greater than the accused member.

**Formal** - A matter in which a supervisor determines that further action is warranted. Such complaints may be investigated by a supervisor of rank greater than the accused member or referred to the Chief of Police, depending on the seriousness and complexity of the investigation.

**Incomplete** - A matter in which the complaining party either refuses to cooperate or becomes unavailable after diligent follow-up investigation. At the discretion of the assigned supervisor or the Chief of Police, such matters may be further investigated depending on the seriousness of the complaint and the availability of sufficient information.

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#### 1020.3.2 SOURCES OF COMPLAINTS

The following applies to the source of complaints:

- (a) Individuals from the public may make complaints in any form, including in writing, by email, in person or by telephone.
- (b) Any department member becoming aware of alleged misconduct shall immediately notify a supervisor.
- (c) Supervisors shall initiate a complaint based upon observed misconduct or receipt from any source alleging misconduct that, if true, could result in disciplinary action.
- (d) Anonymous and third-party complaints should be accepted and investigated to the extent that sufficient information is provided.
- (e) Tort claims and lawsuits may generate a personnel complaint.

### 1020.4 AVAILABILITY AND ACCEPTANCE OF COMPLAINTS

#### 1020.4.1 COMPLAINT FORMS

Personnel complaint forms will be maintained in a clearly visible location in the public area of the police facility and be accessible through the department website. Forms may also be available at other city facilities.

Personnel complaint forms in languages other than English may also be provided, as determined necessary or practicable.

### 1020.4.2 ACCEPTANCE

All complaints will be courteously accepted by any department member and promptly given to the appropriate supervisor. Although written complaints are preferred, a complaint may also be filed orally, either in person or by telephone. Such complaints will be directed to a supervisor. If a supervisor is not immediately available to take an oral complaint, the receiving member shall obtain contact information sufficient for the supervisor to contact the complainant. The supervisor, upon contact with the complainant, shall complete and submit a complaint form as appropriate.

Although not required, complainants should be encouraged to file complaints in person so that proper identification, signatures, photographs or physical evidence may be obtained as necessary.

### **1020.5 DOCUMENTATION**

Supervisors shall ensure that all formal and informal complaints are documented on a complaint form. The supervisor shall ensure that the nature of the complaint is defined as clearly as possible.

All complaints and inquiries should also be documented in a log that records and tracks complaints. The log shall include the nature of the complaint and the actions taken to address the complaint. On an annual basis, the department should audit the log and send an audit report to the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

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#### 1020.5.1 COMPLAINTS ALLEGING PROFILING

Complaints related to profiling should be clearly marked to assist in reporting as required in the Bias-Based Policing Policy (ORS 131.920).

### 1020.6 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Allegations of misconduct will be administratively investigated as follows.

### 1020.6.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

In general, the primary responsibility for the investigation of a personnel complaint shall rest with the member's immediate supervisor, unless the supervisor is the complainant, or the supervisor is the ultimate decision-maker regarding disciplinary action or has any personal involvement regarding the alleged misconduct. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee may direct that another supervisor investigate any complaint.

A supervisor who becomes aware of alleged misconduct shall take reasonable steps to prevent aggravation of the situation.

The responsibilities of supervisors include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Ensuring that upon receiving or initiating any formal complaint, a complaint form is completed.
  - (a) The original complaint form will be directed to the supervisor of the accused member, via the chain of command, who will take appropriate action and/or determine who will have responsibility for the investigation.
  - (b) In circumstances where the integrity of the investigation could be jeopardized by reducing the complaint to writing or where the confidentiality of a complainant is at issue, a supervisor shall orally report the matter to the Captain or the Chief of Police, who will initiate appropriate action.
- (b) Responding to all complainants in a courteous and professional manner.
- (c) Resolving those personnel complaints that can be resolved immediately.
  - (a) Follow-up contact with the complainant should be made within 24 hours of the department receiving the complaint.
  - (b) If the matter is resolved and no further action is required, the supervisor will note the resolution on a complaint form and forward the form to the Captain.
- (d) Ensuring that upon receipt of a complaint involving allegations of a potentially serious nature, the Captain and Chief of Police are notified via the chain of command as soon as practicable.
- (e) Promptly contacting the Human Resources Department and the Chief of Police for direction regarding the supervisor's role in addressing a complaint that relates to sexual, racial, ethnic or other forms of prohibited harassment or discrimination.
- (f) Forwarding unresolved personnel complaints to the Captain, who will determine whether to contact the complainant or assign the complaint for investigation.

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- (g) Informing the complainant of the investigator's name and the complaint number within three days after assignment.
- (h) Investigating a complaint as follows:
  - Making reasonable efforts to obtain names, addresses and telephone numbers of witnesses.
  - 2. When appropriate, ensuring immediate medical attention is provided and photographs of alleged injuries and accessible uninjured areas are taken.
- (i) Ensuring that the procedural rights of the accused member are followed.
- (j) Ensuring interviews of the complainant are generally conducted during reasonable hours.
- (k) Providing the complainant with periodic updates on the status of the investigation, as appropriate.

### 1020.6.2 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

Whether conducted by a supervisor or a member of the Internal Affairs Investigator, the following applies to public safety officers covered by the provisions of ORS 236.350 through ORS 236.360 (ORS 236.370).

- (a) Interviews of an accused public safety officer shall be conducted during reasonable (normal waking) hours and preferably when the public safety officer is on-duty, unless the seriousness of the investigation requires otherwise. If the public safety officer is off-duty, the public safety officer shall be compensated.
- (b) Unless waived by the public safety officer, interviews of an accused public safety officer shall be at the Sweet Home Police Department or other reasonable and appropriate place.
- (c) No more than two interviewers should ask questions of an accused public safety officer.
- (d) The interviewers shall inform the public safety officer of their authority to compel a statement and of the identity of the investigators and all persons present during the interview.
- (e) Prior to any interview, a public safety officer should be informed of the nature of the investigation and of facts reasonably sufficient to inform the public safety officer of the circumstances surrounding the allegations under investigation.
- (f) All interviews should be for a reasonable period and the public safety officer's personal needs should be accommodated.
- (g) No public safety officer should be subjected to offensive or threatening language, nor shall any promises, rewards, or other inducements be used to obtain answers.
- (h) Any public safety officer refusing to answer questions directly related to the investigation may be ordered to answer questions administratively and may be subject to discipline for failing to do so.

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- 1. A public safety officer should be given an order to answer questions in an administrative investigation that might incriminate the public safety officer in a criminal matter only after the public safety officer has been given a *Garrity* advisement. Administrative investigators should consider the impact that compelling a statement from the public safety officer may have on any related criminal investigation and should take reasonable steps to avoid creating any foreseeable conflicts between the two related investigations. This may include conferring with the person in charge of the criminal investigation (e.g., discussion of processes, timing, implications).
- No information or evidence administratively coerced from a public safety officer may be provided to anyone involved in conducting the criminal investigation or to any prosecutor.
- (i) The interviewer should record the interview and the public safety officer may also record the interview. If the public safety officer has been previously interviewed, a copy of that recorded interview, and upon request any existing transcripts of the interview or reports describing the interview, shall be provided to the public safety officer prior to any subsequent interview.
- (j) All public safety officers subjected to interviews that could result in discipline have the right to have an uninvolved representative present during the interview. However, to maintain the integrity of each individual's statement, involved public safety officers shall not consult or meet with a representative or attorney collectively or in groups prior to being interviewed.
- (k) In a disciplinary or administrative investigation, the public safety officer's chosen representative cannot be required to disclose, or be subject to disciplinary action for refusing to disclose, statements made by the public safety officer to the representative for purposes of the representation.
- (I) As soon as it is determined that the public safety officer may be charged with a criminal offense, the public safety officer shall be informed of the public safety officer's right to consult with criminal defense counsel with respect to the criminal charge.
- (m) All public safety officers shall provide complete and truthful responses to questions posed during interviews.
- (n) No public safety officer may be compelled to submit to a polygraph examination, nor shall any refusal to submit to such examination be mentioned in any investigation.

### 1020.6.3 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION FORMAT

Formal investigations of personnel complaints shall be thorough, complete and essentially follow this format:

**Introduction** - Include the identity of the members, the identity of the assigned investigators, the initial date and source of the complaint.

**Synopsis** - Provide a brief summary of the facts giving rise to the investigation.

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**Summary** - List the allegations separately, including applicable policy sections, with a brief summary of the evidence relevant to each allegation. A separate recommended finding should be provided for each allegation.

**Evidence** - Each allegation should be set forth with the details of the evidence applicable to each allegation provided, including comprehensive summaries of member and witness statements. Other evidence related to each allegation should also be detailed in this section.

Conclusion - A recommendation regarding further action or disposition should be provided.

**Exhibits** - A separate list of exhibits (e.g., recordings, photos, documents) should be attached to the report.

### 1020.6.4 DISPOSITIONS

Each personnel complaint shall be classified with one of the following dispositions:

**Unfounded** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged acts did not occur or did not involve department members. Complaints that are determined to be frivolous will fall within the classification of unfounded.

**Exonerated** - When the investigation discloses that the alleged act occurred but that the act was justified, lawful and/or proper.

**Not sustained** - When the investigation discloses that there is insufficient evidence to sustain the complaint or fully exonerate the member.

**Sustained** - When the investigation discloses sufficient evidence to establish that the act occurred and that it constituted misconduct.

If an investigation discloses misconduct or improper job performance that was not alleged in the original complaint, the investigator shall take appropriate action with regard to any additional allegations.

### 1020.6.5 COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATIONS

The Captain shall ensure that investigations are completed and public safety officers are provided notification of intended discipline no later than six months from the date of the first interview. The Chief of Police or the Captain may extend the investigation to a maximum of 12 months from the date of the first interview, provided that, before the extended period begins, the department gives written notice explaining the reason for the extension to the public safety officer and the public safety officer's chosen representative and union representative, if any (ORS 236.360(6)(a)).

The above time limits do not apply when (ORS 236.360(6)(b)):

- (a) The investigation involves a public safety officer who is incapacitated or unavailable.
- (b) The investigation involves an allegation of workers' compensation or disability fraud by the public safety officer.
- (c) The public safety officer, in writing, waives the limit.

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- (d) The investigation requires a reasonable extension of time for coordination with one or more other jurisdictions.
- (e) The investigation involves more than one public safety officer and requires a reasonable extension of time.
- (f) The alleged misconduct is also the subject of a criminal investigation or criminal prosecution. Time does not run for the period during which the criminal investigation or criminal prosecution is pending.
- (g) The investigation involves a matter in civil litigation in which the public safety officer is a named defendant or the public safety officer's actions are alleged to be a basis for liability. Time does not run for the period during which the civil action is pending.
- (h) The investigation is the result of a complaint by a person charged with a crime. Time does not run for the period during which the criminal matter is pending.

### 1020.6.6 NOTICE TO COMPLAINANT OF INVESTIGATION STATUS

The member conducting the investigation should provide the complainant with periodic updates on the status of the investigation, as appropriate.

### 1020.7 ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCHES

Assigned lockers, storage spaces and other areas, including desks, offices and vehicles, may be searched as part of an administrative investigation upon a reasonable suspicion of misconduct.

Such areas may also be searched any time by a supervisor for non-investigative purposes, such as obtaining a needed report, radio or other document or equipment.

### 1020.8 ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVE

When a complaint of misconduct is of a serious nature, or when circumstances indicate that allowing the accused to continue to work would adversely affect the mission of the department, the Chief of Police or the authorized designee may temporarily assign an accused employee to administrative leave. Any employee placed on administrative leave:

- (a) May be required to relinquish any department badge, identification, assigned weapons and any other department equipment.
- (b) Shall be required to continue to comply with all policies and lawful orders of a supervisor.
- (c) May be temporarily reassigned to a different shift, generally a normal business-hours shift, during the investigation. The employee may be required to remain available for contact at all times during such shift, and will report as ordered.

### 1020.9 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION

Where a member is accused of potential criminal conduct, a separate supervisor or investigator shall be assigned to investigate the criminal allegations apart from any administrative investigation. Any separate administrative investigation may parallel a criminal investigation.

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The Chief of Police shall be notified as soon as practicable when a member is accused of criminal conduct. The Chief of Police may request a criminal investigation by an outside law enforcement agency.

A member accused of criminal conduct shall be provided with all rights afforded to a civilian. The member should not be administratively ordered to provide any information in the criminal investigation.

The Sweet Home Police Department may release information concerning the arrest or detention of any member, including an officer, that has not led to a conviction. No disciplinary action should be taken until an independent administrative investigation is conducted.

#### 1020.10 POST-ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

Upon completion of a formal investigation, an investigation report should be forwarded to the Chief of Police through the chain of command. Each level of command should review the report and include his/her comments in writing before forwarding the report. The Chief of Police may accept or modify any classification or recommendation for disciplinary action. Forms of discipline include, but are not limited to, training, counseling and punitive action.

### 1020.10.1 CAPTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon receipt of any completed personnel investigation, the Captain shall review the entire investigative file, the member's personnel file and any other relevant materials.

The Captain may make recommendations regarding the disposition of any allegations and the amount of discipline, if any, to be imposed.

Prior to forwarding recommendations to the Chief of Police, the Captain may return the entire investigation to the assigned investigator or supervisor for further investigation or action.

When forwarding any written recommendation to the Chief of Police, the Captain shall include all relevant materials supporting the recommendation. Actual copies of a member's existing personnel file need not be provided and may be incorporated by reference.

### 1020.10.2 CHIEF RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon receipt of any written recommendation for disciplinary action, the Chief of Police shall review the recommendation and all accompanying materials. The Chief of Police may modify any recommendation and/or may return the file to the Captain for further investigation or action.

Once the Chief of Police is satisfied that no further investigation or action is required by staff, the Chief of Police shall determine the amount of discipline, if any that should be imposed. In the event disciplinary action is proposed, the Chief of Police shall provide the member with a written notice and the following:

- (a) Access to all of the materials considered by the Chief of Police in recommending the proposed discipline.
- (b) An opportunity to respond orally or in writing to the Chief of Police within five days of receiving the notice.

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- (a) Upon a showing of good cause by the member, the Chief of Police may grant a reasonable extension of time for the member to respond.
- (b) If the member elects to respond orally, the presentation shall be recorded by the department. Upon request, the member shall be provided with a copy of the recording.

Once the member has completed his/her response or if the member has elected to waive any such response, the Chief of Police shall consider all information received in regard to the recommended discipline. The Chief of Police shall render a timely written decision to the member and specify the grounds and reasons for discipline and the effective date of the discipline. Once the Chief of Police has issued a written decision, the discipline shall become effective.

### 1020.10.3 NOTICE OF FINAL DISPOSITION TO THE COMPLAINANT

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should ensure that the complainant is notified of the disposition (i.e., sustained, not sustained, exonerated, unfounded) of the complaint and may provide a written summary of the information obtained in the investigation as the Chief of Police finds necessary to explain the action taken (ORS 181A.674).

If the complaint is related to profiling, the complainant shall be notified in writing with a statement of the final disposition within a reasonable time after the conclusion of the investigation (ORS 131.920).

### 1020.10.4 PRESUMPTIVE DISCIPLINARY SANCTIONS

For officers, the Chief of Police shall impose the presumptive sanction for the types of misconduct described in OAR 265-010-0001 et seq. but may depart from the presumptive sanction through application of the prescribed aggravating or mitigating factors (OAR 265-005-0030; OAR 265-010-0035). The Chief of Police shall document the decision to impose a sanction other than the presumptive sanction, including the reasoning and any aggravating or mitigating factors (OAR 265-005-0030).

### 1020.11 PRE-DISCIPLINE EMPLOYEE RESPONSE

The pre-discipline process is intended to provide the accused employee with an opportunity to present a written or oral response to the Chief of Police after having had an opportunity to review the supporting materials and prior to imposition of any recommended discipline. The employee shall consider the following:

- (a) The response is not intended to be an adversarial or formal hearing.
- (b) Although the employee may be represented by an uninvolved representative or legal counsel, the response is not designed to accommodate the presentation of testimony or witnesses.
- (c) The employee may suggest that further investigation could be conducted or the employee may offer any additional information or mitigating factors for the Chief of Police to consider.

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- (d) In the event that the Chief of Police elects to conduct further investigation, the employee shall be provided with the results prior to the imposition of any discipline.
- (e) The employee may thereafter have the opportunity to further respond orally or in writing to the Chief of Police on the limited issues of information raised in any subsequent materials.

### 1020.12 RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS PRIOR TO DISCIPLINE

In the event that a member tenders a written resignation or notice of retirement prior to the imposition of discipline, it shall be noted in the file. The tender of a resignation or retirement by itself shall not serve as grounds for the termination of any pending investigation or discipline.

### 1020.13 POST-DISCIPLINE APPEAL RIGHTS

Non-probationary employees have the right to appeal a suspension without pay, punitive transfer, demotion, reduction in pay or step, or termination from employment. The employee has the right to appeal using the procedures established by any collective bargaining agreement and/or personnel rules.

### 1020.14 PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES AND OTHER MEMBERS

At-will and probationary employees and members other than non-probationary employees may be disciplined and/or released from employment without adherence to any of the procedures set out in this policy, and without notice or cause at any time. These individuals are not entitled to any rights under this policy. However, any of these individuals released for misconduct should be afforded an opportunity solely to clear their names through a liberty interest hearing, which shall be limited to a single appearance before the Chief of Police or the authorized designee.

Any probationary period may be extended at the discretion of the Chief of Police in cases where the individual has been absent for more than a week or when additional time to review the individual is considered to be appropriate.

### 1020.15 RETENTION OF PERSONNEL INVESTIGATION FILES

All personnel complaints shall be maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule and as described in the Personnel Records Policy.

**1020.16 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMPLAINTS** Complaints received from the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (DPSST) that involve officers or dispatchers will be investigated as outlined in this policy. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee is responsible for notifying DPSST of the disposition of the complaint (OAR 259-008-0400).

# 1020.17 NOTIFICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should ensure DPSST is notified as follows:

(a) When an investigation of misconduct under ORS 181A.681 results in a sustained finding (ORS 181A.683).

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- (b) Within 10 days of a final discipline that includes an economic sanction with the following information (ORS 181A.686):
  - 1. The name and rank of the officer disciplined.
  - 2. The name of the Sweet Home Police Department.
  - 3. A copy of any final decision including the underlying facts and the imposed discipline.

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# **Safety Belts**

### 1022.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes guidelines for the use of safety belts and child restraints. This policy will apply to all members operating or riding in department vehicles.

### 1022.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Child restraint system** - An infant or child passenger restraint system that meets Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) and Regulations set forth in 49 CFR 571.213.

### 1022.2 WEARING OF SAFETY RESTRAINTS

All members shall wear properly adjusted safety restraints when operating or riding in a seat equipped with restraints, in any vehicle owned, leased or rented by this department, while on-or off-duty, or in any privately owned vehicle while on-duty. The member driving such a vehicle shall ensure that all other occupants, including non-members, are also properly restrained (ORS 811.210).

Exceptions to the requirement to wear safety restraints may be made only in exceptional situations where, due to unusual circumstances, wearing a safety belt would endanger the department member or the public. Members must be prepared to justify any deviation from this requirement.

### 1022.2.1 TRANSPORTING CHILDREN

A properly installed, approved child restraint system should be used for all children of an age, height or weight for which such restraints are required by law (ORS 811.210).

Children under the age of 13 should be transported in the rear seat. In the event that the appropriate restraints are unavailable, officers should arrange for alternate transportation.

### 1022.3 TRANSPORTING SUSPECTS, PRISONERS OR ARRESTEES

Suspects, prisoners and arrestees should be in a seated position and secured in the rear seat of any department vehicle with a prisoner restraint system or, when a prisoner restraint system is not available, by safety belts provided by the vehicle manufacturer. The prisoner restraint system is not intended to be a substitute for handcuffs or other appendage restraints. In unusual circumstances where it is unsafe or impractical to do so, prisoners may be transported without the use of safety belts (ORS 811.215(6)).

Prisoners in leg restraints shall be transported in accordance with the Handcuffing and Restraints Policy.

### 1022.4 INOPERABLE SAFETY BELTS

Department vehicles shall not be operated when the safety belt in the driver's position is inoperable. Persons shall not be transported in a seat in which the safety belt is inoperable.

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Department vehicle safety belts shall not be modified, removed, deactivated or altered in any way, except by the vehicle maintenance and repair staff, who shall do so only with the express authorization of the Chief of Police.

Members who discover an inoperable restraint system shall report the defect to the appropriate supervisor. Prompt action will be taken to replace or repair the system.

#### 1022.5 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department that members use safety and child restraint systems to reduce the possibility of death or injury in a motor vehicle collision.

### 1022.6 TRANSPORTING CHILDREN

A child restraint system should be used for all children of an age, height or weight for which such restraints are required by law (ORS 811.210).

Rear seat passengers in a cage-equipped vehicle may have reduced clearance, which requires careful seating and positioning of safety belts. Due to this reduced clearance, and if permitted by law, children and any child restraint system may be secured in the front seat of such vehicles provided this positioning meets federal safety standards and the vehicle and child restraint system manufacturer's design and use recommendations. In the event that a child is transported in the front seat of a vehicle, the seat should be pushed back as far as possible and the passenger-side airbag should be deactivated. If this is not possible, members should arrange alternate transportation when feasible.

### 1022.7 VEHICLES MANUFACTURED WITHOUT SAFETY BELTS

Vehicles manufactured and certified for use without safety belts or other restraint systems are subject to the manufacturer's operator requirements for safe use.

### 1022.8 VEHICLE AIRBAGS

In all vehicles equipped with airbag restraint systems, the system will not be tampered with or deactivated, except when transporting children as written elsewhere in this policy. All equipment installed in vehicles equipped with airbags will be installed as per the vehicle manufacturer specifications to avoid the danger of interfering with the effective deployment of the airbag device.

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# **Body Armor**

### 1024.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide law enforcement officers with guidelines for the proper use of body armor.

### 1024.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to maximize officer safety through the use of body armor in combination with prescribed safety procedures. While body armor provides a significant level of protection, it is not a substitute for the observance of officer safety procedures.

#### 1024.3 ISSUANCE OF BODY ARMOR

A Patrol Services supervisor shall ensure that body armor is issued to all officers when the officer begins service at the Sweet Home Police Department and that, when issued, the body armor meets or exceeds the standards of the National Institute of Justice.

A Patrol Services supervisor shall establish a body armor replacement schedule and ensure that replacement body armor is issued pursuant to the schedule or whenever the body armor becomes worn or damaged to the point that its effectiveness or functionality has been compromised.

### 1024.3.1 USE OF SOFT BODY ARMOR

Generally, the use of body armor is required subject to the following:

- (a) Officers shall only wear agency-approved body armor.
- (b) Officers shall wear body armor anytime they are in a situation where they could reasonably be expected to take enforcement action.
- (c) Officers may be excused from wearing body armor when they are functioning primarily in an administrative or support capacity and could not reasonably be expected to take enforcement action.
- (d) Body armor shall be worn when an officer is working in uniform or taking part in Department range training.
- (e) An officer may be excused from wearing body armor when he/she is involved in undercover or plainclothes work that his/her supervisor determines could be compromised by wearing body armor, or when a supervisor determines that other circumstances make it inappropriate to mandate wearing body armor.

### 1024.3.2 INSPECTIONS OF BODY ARMOR

Supervisors should ensure that body armor is worn and maintained in accordance with this policy through routine observation and periodic documented inspections. Annual inspections of body armor should be conducted by an authorized designee for fit, cleanliness and signs of damage, abuse and wear.

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#### 1024.3.3 CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF SOFT BODY ARMOR

Soft body armor should never be stored for any period of time in an area where environmental conditions (e.g., temperature, light, humidity) are not reasonably controlled (e.g., normal ambient room temperature/humidity conditions), such as in automobiles or automobile trunks.

Soft body armor should be cared for and cleaned pursuant to the manufacturer's care instructions provided with the soft body armor. The instructions can be found on labels located on the external surface of each ballistic panel. The carrier should also have a label that contains care instructions. Failure to follow these instructions may damage the ballistic performance capabilities of the armor. If care instructions for the soft body armor cannot be located, contact the manufacturer to request care instructions.

Soft body armor should not be exposed to any cleaning agents or methods not specifically recommended by the manufacturer, as noted on the armor panel label.

Soft body armor should be replaced in accordance with the manufacturer's recommended replacement schedule.

### 1024.4 RANGEMASTER RESPONSIBILITIES

The Rangemaster should:

- (a) Monitor technological advances in the body armor industry for any appropriate changes to Department approved body armor.
- (b) Assess weapons and ammunition currently in use and the suitability of approved body armor to protect against those threats.
- (c) Provide training that educates officers about the safety benefits of wearing body armor.

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# **Personnel Records**

### 1026.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy governs maintenance and access to personnel records. Personnel records include any file maintained under an individual member's name.

### 1026.2 POLICY

It is the policy of this department to maintain personnel records and preserve the confidentiality of personnel records pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of Oregon (ORS 181A.830; ORS 192.355; ORS 652.750).

#### 1026.3 DEPARTMENT FILE

The department file shall be maintained as a record of a person's employment/appointment with this department. The department file should contain, at a minimum:

- (a) Personal data, including photographs, marital status, names of family members, educational and employment history, or similar information. A photograph of the member should be permanently retained.
- (b) Election of employee benefits.
- (c) Personnel action reports reflecting assignments, promotions, and other changes in employment/appointment status. These should be permanently retained.
- (d) Original performance evaluations. These should be permanently maintained.
- (e) Discipline records, including copies of sustained personnel complaints.
- (f) Adverse comments such as supervisor notes or memos may be retained in the department file after the member has had the opportunity to read and initial the comment.
  - 1. Once a member has had an opportunity to read and initial any adverse comment, the member shall be given the opportunity to respond in writing to the adverse comment within 30 days (ORS 652.750).
  - 2. Any member response shall be attached to and retained with the original adverse comment.
  - 3. If a member refuses to initial or sign an adverse comment, at least one supervisor should note the date and time of such refusal on the original comment (ORS 652.750). Such a refusal, however, shall not be deemed insubordination, nor shall it prohibit the entry of the adverse comment into the member's file.
- (g) Commendations and awards.
- (h) Any other information, the disclosure of which would constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

### 1026.4 DIVISION FILE

Division files may be separately maintained internally by a member's supervisor for the purpose of completing timely performance evaluations. The Division file may contain supervisor comments,

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notes, notices to correct, and other materials that are intended to serve as a foundation for the completion of timely performance evaluations. Any adverse comments shall be provided to the officer prior to being placed in the file in accordance with ORS 652.750.

### 1026.5 TRAINING FILE

An individual training file shall be maintained by the Training Sergeant for each member. Training files will contain records of all training; original or photocopies of available certificates, transcripts, diplomas and other documentation; education; and firearms qualifications. Training records may also be created and stored remotely, either manually or automatically (e.g., Daily Training Bulletin (DTB) records).

- (a) The involved member is responsible for providing the Training Sergeant or immediate supervisor with evidence of completed training/education in a timely manner.
- (b) The Training Sergeant or supervisor shall ensure that copies of such training records are placed in the member's training file.

### 1026.6 INTERNAL AFFAIRS FILE

Internal affairs files shall be maintained under the exclusive control of the Internal Affairs Investigator in conjunction with the office of the Chief of Police. Access to these files may only be approved by the Chief of Police or the Internal Affairs Investigator supervisor.

These files shall contain the complete investigation of all formal complaints of member misconduct, regardless of disposition. Investigations of complaints that result in the following findings shall not be placed in the member's department file but will be maintained in the internal affairs file:

- Not sustained
- Unfounded
- Exonerated

### 1026.7 MEDICAL FILE

A medical file shall be maintained separately from all other personnel records and shall contain all documents relating to the member's medical condition and history, including but not limited to:

- (a) Materials relating to a medical leave of absence, including leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA).
- (b) Documents relating to workers' compensation claims or the receipt of short- or longterm disability benefits.
- (c) Fitness-for-duty examinations, psychological and physical examinations, follow-up inquiries and related documents.
- (d) Medical release forms, doctor's slips and attendance records that reveal a member's medical condition.
- (e) Any other documents or material that reveals the member's medical history or medical condition, including past, present or future anticipated mental, psychological or physical limitations.

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### (f) Drug testing records.

Medical records relating to hazard exposure shall be retained for 30 years after separation and in accordance with the department established records retention schedule (29 CFR 1910.1020(d)).

#### **1026.8 SECURITY**

Personnel records should be maintained in a secured location and locked either in a cabinet or access-controlled room. Personnel records maintained in an electronic format should have adequate password protection.

Personnel records are subject to disclosure as provided in this policy, according to applicable discovery procedures, state law or with the member's written consent.

Nothing in this policy is intended to preclude review of personnel records by the City Manager, City Attorney or other attorneys or representatives of the City in connection with official business.

#### 1026.8.1 REQUESTS FOR DISCLOSURE

Any member receiving a request for a personnel record shall promptly notify the Custodian of Records or other person charged with the maintenance of such records.

Upon receipt of any such request, the responsible person shall notify the affected member as soon as practicable that such a request has been made (ORS 181A.830).

The responsible person shall further ensure that an appropriate response to the request is made in a timely manner, consistent with applicable law. In many cases, this may require assistance of available legal counsel.

All requests for disclosure that result in access to a member's personnel records shall be logged in the corresponding file.

### 1026.8.2 RELEASE OF PERSONNEL INFORMATION

Personnel records of an officer who was employed at any time by the Department shall be released to a requesting law enforcement agency for the purposes of preemployment review (ORS 181A.667).

Except as provided by the Records Maintenance and Release Policy or pursuant to lawful process, no information about a personnel investigation of an officer that does not result in discipline contained in any personnel file shall be disclosed to any unauthorized member or other persons unless (ORS 181A.830(4)):

- (a) The officer consents to disclosure in writing.
- (b) The public interest requires disclosure of the information.
- (c) Disclosure is necessary for an investigation by the public body, the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, or a citizen review body designated by the public body.
- (d) Disclosure is required by ORS 181A.667.

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(e) The public body determines that nondisclosure of the information would adversely affect the confidence of the public in the Department.

Audio or video records of internal investigation interviews of an officer are confidential and shall not be released (ORS 192.385).

Photographs of an officer shall not be disclosed without the written consent of the officer (ORS 181A.830).

### 1026.9 MEMBER ACCESS TO HIS/HER OWN PERSONNEL RECORDS

A member or former member may request to review his/her personnel file. The request should be made to the Administrative Services Supervisor. The Administrative Services Supervisor should ensure that the member is provided a reasonable opportunity to review their personnel file or, if requested, receive a certified copy of the records as provided in ORS 652.750.

If an officer believes that any portion of the material is mistakenly or unlawfully placed in the officer personnel record, the officer may submit a written request to the Chief of Police that the mistaken or unlawful material be corrected or deleted. The request must describe the corrections or deletions requested and the reasons supporting the request and provide any documentation that supports the request. The Chief of Police must respond within 30 days from the date the request is received. If the Chief of Police chooses not to make any changes, the Chief of Police shall ensure that a written response to the request is made. The Chief of Police shall ensure that the request and response is placed in the officer's personnel record (ORS 652.750).

Members may be restricted from accessing files containing any of the following information:

- (a) An ongoing internal affairs investigation to the extent that it could jeopardize or compromise the investigation pending final disposition or notice to the member of the intent to discipline.
- (b) Confidential portions of internal affairs files that have not been sustained against the member.
- (c) Criminal investigations involving the member.
- (d) Letters of reference concerning employment/appointment, licensing or issuance of permits regarding the member.
- (e) Any portion of a test document, except the cumulative total test score for either a section of the test document or for the entire test document.
- (f) Materials used by the Department for staff management planning, including judgments or recommendations concerning future salary increases and other wage treatments, management bonus plans, promotions and job assignments or other comments or ratings used for department planning purposes.
- (g) Information of a personal nature about a person other than the member if disclosure of the information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the other person's privacy.
- (h) Records relevant to any other pending claim between the Department and the member that may be discovered in a judicial proceeding.

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#### 1026.10 RETENTION AND PURGING

Unless otherwise noted, personnel records shall be retained for a minimum of 10 years after separation and in accordance with the established records retention schedule (ORS 181A.667).

- (a) During the preparation of each member's performance evaluation, all personnel complaints and disciplinary actions should be reviewed to determine the relevancy, if any, to progressive discipline, training, and career development. Each supervisor responsible for completing the member's performance evaluation should determine whether any prior sustained disciplinary file should be retained beyond the required period for reasons other than pending litigation or other ongoing legal proceedings.
- (b) If a supervisor determines that records of prior discipline should be retained beyond the required period, approval for such retention should be obtained through the chain of command from the Chief of Police.
- (c) If, in the opinion of the Chief of Police, a personnel complaint or disciplinary action maintained beyond the required retention period is no longer relevant, all records of such matter may be destroyed in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

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# **Awards Program**

### 1028.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The awards program exists to recognize outstanding performance, extraordinary achievement, or a heroic act of a member of the Police Department or any citizen in the community.

### 1028.2 CATEGORIES OF AWARDS

The following awards may be presented by the Police Department:

- Medal of Honor
- Medal of Valor
- Purple Heart
- Lifesaving Medal
- Distinguished Service Award
- Educational Achievement Award
- Distinguished Volunteer Award
- Community Services Award
- Public Service Award

Service Ribbon Bars are issued in the following categories. Bars may only be worn after completion of training and after the employee is assigned to the functional area of expertise or as authorized by the Chief of Police.

- SRO Instructor
- Traffic Crash Reconstructionist
- Field Training Coach
- Drug Recognition Expert
- Departmental Instructor

Other area of expertise as approved by the Chief of Police

### 1028.2.1 NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS.

Any Member may nominate another Member for on duty or off duty actions, or a citizen for award consideration.

<u>Award Nominations</u>: The nomination will be in written form and submitted via the chain of command to the Chief of Police.

<u>Award Nomination Criteria:</u> The nomination will specify the actions that specifically meet the criteria established for the appropriate award.

### 1028.3 AWARDS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION/APPROVAL.

Upon receipt of a nomination, for any award except the Distinguished Service Award, the Chief of Police will review the nomination and may forward it to an Awards Committee which will meet at the direction of the Chief of Police, to consider the nomination(s). The Awards Committee will be comprised of a Patrol Services Division Sergeant; one Patrol Officer; one citizen from the community who shall be selected by the Police Chief; and a non sworn member of the Department, and/or other designates as the Chief of Police determines.

- (a) The committee will review the nomination(s), and recommend that an award be made; request that the Department provide more factual information before deciding on a recommendation; or recommend that an award not be given in this instance.
- (b) More than half of the Awards Committee members must vote in favor of granting an award prior to the committee making a recommendation that an award be given. The Committee's recommendation will be forwarded to the Chief of Police for final action.
- (c) The Chief of Police or his representative will present the award.

### 1028.4 AWARDS CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA.

<u>Medal of Honor.</u> The Medal of Honor may be awarded to a Member acting in an official capacity who conspicuously distinguishes himself by the performance of a heroic act which is above the normal demands of police service and where the Member was fully aware of an imminent threat to his/her personal safety.

Some of the factors that should be considered during the award process are:

- The situation was extremely hazardous
- A strong possibility existed at the time the Member acted that he could have suffered injury or death
- The act was not foolhardy
- The Member did not use poor judgment, thus creating the necessity for the act.

Situations where Medal of Honor action may be appropriate include criminal law violations, life saving incidents, and incidents involving weapons. A member does not have to be injured in the incident to be considered for a Medal of Honor.

In addition to the medal, the recipient will receive a dark blue award pin with a field of 12 gold stars. This award pin will be affixed to the uniform shirt immediately above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag to represent the medal. If the Member wishes to wear the Medal of Honor, it shall be worn only on the dress uniform above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag, and the award pin will not be worn.

The award is presented with the Medal, a award pin and a certificate, which contains a brief narrative of the incident and is signed by the Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City.

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<u>Medal of Valor</u>. The Medal of Valor may be given to a Member acting in an official capacity who distinguishes themselves by reacting to a situation in a positive and professional manner to reduce the risk of loss of life or injury to citizens.

Some of the factors that should be considered during the award process are:

- The situation demanded immediate action
- The possibility of injury or death to citizens was present
- The act was not foolhardy
- The Member did not use poor judgment, thus creating the necessity for his/her acts.

Some situations where Medal of Valor actions may be involved are criminal law violations, life saving incidents, or situations where the Member just did the job that had to be done, but did it in an extremely professional manner. A Member does not have to be injured in the incident to be considered eligible for a Medal of Valor.

In addition to the medal, the recipient will receive a dark blue award pin with a field of 5 gold stars. This award pin will be affixed to the uniform shirt immediately above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag to represent the medal. If the Member wishes to wear the Medal of Valor, it shall be worn only on the dress uniform above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag, and the award pin will not be worn.

The award is presented with the Medal, the award pin and a certificate. The certificate will contain a brief narrative of the incident and will be signed by the Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City.

<u>Purple Heart.</u> The Purple Heart may be awarded to a Member who is injured in the line of duty. The injury sustained by the Member need not be serious or permanent and should not have been caused by carelessness on the part of the Member.

In addition to the medal, the recipient will receive a white, purple and white award pin. This award pin will be affixed to the uniform shirt immediately above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag to represent the medal. If the Member wishes to wear the Purple Heart, it shall only be worn on the dress uniform above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag, and the award pin will not be worn.

At the time that the award is made, the medal, the award pin and official certificate will be given. The certificate will contain a brief narrative of the incident and will be signed by the Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City.

<u>Lifesaving Medal.</u> The Lifesaving Medal may be awarded to a Member who through his/her self initiated actions significantly and directly contributed to the saving of a human life, without unnecessarily placing the Member's own life at peril.

In addition to the medal the recipient will receive a green, white and green award pin. This award pin will be affixed to the uniform shirt immediately above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag to represent the medal. If the Member wishes to wear the Lifesaving Medal, it

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shall only be worn on the dress uniform above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag, and the award pin will not be worn.

At the time that the award is made, the medal, the award pin and official certificate will be given. The certificate will contain a brief narrative of the incident and will be signed by the Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City.

<u>Distinguished Service Award.</u> The Distinguished Service may be awarded to a Member who through a single action or a body of work brings credit to his/her self, the Department, and law enforcement. The award may be awarded to those Members who consistently perform their job in an outstanding manner that has had a lasting effect on law enforcement, or the Member's service, in the last five years, has been exemplary in, but not limited to the following areas:

- No excessive sick time off
- No disciplinary action within a five year period
- No unsatisfactory (to include corrective action letters) performance evaluations within a five year period
- Conduct or demeanor exemplifies the professional image of the Department
- Active involvement in the development of a new program, civic activity or significant importance and/or Leadership in a significant program or civic activity that brings positive community support and recognition upon the Department.

The recipient will receive an official certificate and a Department Coin.

<u>Chief's Award of Merit.</u> The Chief's Award of Merit will be awarded at the sole discretion of the Chief on those occasions he deems appropriate. This award will not be reviewed by the Awards Committee.

The Chief's Award of Merit shall consist of a gold and blue cloth ribbon. If the Member wishes to wear the Award of Merit, it sahll be worn on the dress uniform, during formal occasions, above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag.

At the time the award is presented, an official certificate will aslo be given. The certificate will contain a brief narrative and will be signed by the Chief.

<u>Educational Achievement Award.</u> The Educational Achievement Award may be awarded to a Member who has achieved the following minimum requirements:

- Successfully completed a minimum of 2,000 hours of documented criminal justice training as supported by agency and DPSST training files, and
- Completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited educational institution as verified by copies of transcripts and degree which are on file in the Member's Department training files, and
- Has received an Advanced Certificate from DPSST (if employed as either a Police Officer or Emergency Telecommunicator).

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The recipient will receive a white, red, blue and white award pin. This award pin will be affixed to the uniform shirt immediately above the name tag and centered with respect to the name tag.

At the time that the award is made, the award pin and official certificate will be given. The certificate will contain a brief narrative of the incident and will be signed by the Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City.

<u>Community Service Award.</u> The Community Service Award shall be presented to a member who provides an ongoing volunteer commitment within the community that is above the norm and brings credit upon the member and the Department. The volunteer work must provide a positive service to the community, either as an individual effort or as part of a group or organization. The recipient will receive an official certificate and a Department Coin.

<u>Distinguished Volunteer Award.</u> The Distinguished Volunteer Award may be awarded to a volunteer member, (Chaplain, Police Cadet/Explorer and/or Citizen Volunteer), who through an exceptional contribution of time and effort distinguishes themselves by a pattern of behavior which is highly commendable and which brings praise upon the Department.

Examples might include, but are not limited to:

- volunteering a consistently high level of volunteer participation over the course of a calendar year
- repeated response to and support of community policing events and activities; and/or assumption of additional duties, program development or event coordination, which brings credit to the Department.

The recipient will receive an official certificate and a Department Coin.

<u>Public Service Award.</u> The Public Service Award may be given to a citizen who distinguishes himself by highly commendable or unusual acts.

Some of the factors that should be considered during the award process are

- The citizen used proper judgment and discretion and did not precipitate the necessity for the act
- the act was not foolhardy, or
- the citizen made a significant and lasting contribution to the law enforcement profession.

Only acts or incidents that significantly rise above the expected norm for community service will be considered for this award.

The Public Service Award shall be in the form of an official document signed by Chief of Police and the Mayor of the City and a Department Coin.

<u>Service Ribbon Bars.</u> It will be the responsibility of the Supervisors to insure that Members have received those service ribbon bars for which they are qualified.

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Service Ribbon Bars may be worn above the name tag, and centered with respect to the name tag, along with any other Department ribbon bars awarded to the Member. The name tag shall be worn above the pocket flap and centered with respect to the pocket. If worn in conjunction with award pins, the service ribbon bar shall be worn between the name tag and the award pin. All authorized Service Ribbon Bars will be displayed upon the uniform during any honor guard function or as directed by the Chief of Police.

- Longevity. Longevity will be recognized on the department issued name tag. Upon
  employment the member will be issued a name tag bearing the year in which he/
  she entered into full time police service. The year designation will be amended if a
  significant period of time lapsed between police service periods.
- <u>Field Training Coach.</u> The Field Training Coach Ribbon Bar will be awarded to those
  Members who have received training as an FTC, been assigned to serve as an FTC
  for either Emergency Dispatcher or Police Officer. The Field Training Coach Ribbon
  Bar will be blue and red.
- <u>Drug Recognition Expert.</u> The Drug Recognition Expert Ribbon Bar will be awarded
  after the officer has successfully completed the required state training in this area and
  has received and maintains certification. The Drug Recognition Expert Ribbon Bar will
  be white, blue, white, blue, white, blue and white.
- Departmental Instructor. The Instructor Ribbon Bar will be awarded to any Member currently assigned as a member of the training staff and who has developed and/or presented a training program to department members. This ribbon bar will be awarded after successful completion of a minimum 40-hour instructor level or instructor development/certification class, approval of the DPSST instructor certification application or other State of Oregon instructor level certification as approved by the Chief. The quality of the presented training is a critical element to receiving an award and is determined by supervisory review. This ribbon bar is intended to recognize members extending beyond the expectations of normal policing responsibilities to provide instruction to co-workers. The Instructor Ribbon Bar will be red, white, blue, white and red.
- <u>Crime Scene Technician.</u> The Crime Scene Technician Ribbon Bar shall be awarded to an officer who has successfully completed any combination of advanced training totaling 120 hours of training in crime scene management, photography, fingerprinting, evidence handling and/or related topical areas in a minimum of 24 to 40 hour blocks of instruction (as approved by the Chief of Police). This training may also include completion of the Forensic Training Academy hosted by DPSST. The Crime Scene Technician serves on an on-call basis and voluntary basis at the discretion of the Chief of Police. The Crime Scene Technician Ribbon Bar will be orange and red.
- <u>SRO.</u> The School Resource Officer (SRO) Ribbon Bar shall be awarded to an officer who has successfully completed the department approved course for SRO Officers

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and has served at least one school year in the program. The SRO Ribbon Bar will be blue, white and red.

- Traffic Crash Re constructionist. The Traffic Crash Re constructionist Ribbon Bar shall be awarded to an officer who has successfully completed 240 hours of DPSST approved training in traffic crash investigation and reconstruction. The Traffic Crash Re constructionist Ribbon Bar will be blue, red, blue, red, blue, red, blue, red, blue.
- <u>Deputy Medical Examiner.</u> The Deputy Medical Examiner Ribbon Bar shall be awarded to an Officer after successful completion of approved training as a State of Oregon Deputy Medical Examiner and appointment by the Linn County District Attorney. The Deputy Medical Examiner Ribbon Bar will be red and black.
- <u>Tactical</u> The Tactical ribbon shall be awarded to the officer who has been selected for and/or is actively involved in ongoing tactical team (SWAT) duties. The Tactical ribbon will be dark green.
- <u>Detective</u> The Detective ribbon will be awarded to an Officer who has successfully
  met the selection requirmentss and who has served a minimum of two years in the
  Investigations Division. The Detective ribbon will be gray and royal blue.
- <u>Patrol</u> The Patrol Service ribbon recongizes continuous service as a member of the Patrol Division for a minimum of two years. The Patrol Services ribbon will be white and navy blue.
- <u>Certification</u> The Certification ribbon will be awarded to Members who obtain their DPSST Advanced certification. Bronze stars will be affixed to the ribbon and will designate each successive certification level obtained thereafter. The Certification ribbon will be alternating vertical bars of green and white.

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# **Employee Commendations**

### 1030.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Special recognition may be in order whenever an employee performs his/her duties in an exemplary manner. This procedure provides general guidelines for the commending of exceptional employee performance.

### 1030.2 WHO MAY MAKE COMMENDATIONS

A written commendation may be made by any supervisor regarding any other employee of the Department, provided the reporting person is superior in rank or is the person-in-charge of the individual being commended. Additionally, investigating officers may commend uniformed officers for exceptional assistance in investigative functions, with approval from the investigator's supervisor. Any employee may recommend a commendation to the supervisor of the employee subject to commendation.

### 1030.3 COMMENDABLE ACTIONS

A meritorious or commendable act by an employee of this department may include, but is not limited to, the following:

- Superior handling of a difficult situation by an employee
- Conspicuous bravery or outstanding performance by any employee of the Department
- Any action or performance that is above and beyond the typical duties of an employee

### 1030.3.1 COMMENDATION NOMINATION

A memorandum shall be used to document the commendation of the employee and shall contain the following:

- (a) Employee name and assignment at the date and time of the commendation
- (b) A brief account of the commendable action shall be documented in the memorandum, with report numbers as appropriate
- (c) Signature of the commending supervisor

The memorandum shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police for his/her review.

A copy of the commendation will then be placed into the employee's personnel file.

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# **Fitness for Duty**

### 1032.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Monitoring members' fitness for duty is essential for the safety and welfare of the members of the Department and the community. The purpose of this policy is to ensure that all members of this department remain fit for duty and able to perform their job functions.

#### 1032.2 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the responsibility of each member of this department to maintain physical stamina and psychological stability sufficient to safely and effectively perform the essential duties of the member's position.

During working hours, all members are required to be alert, attentive, and capable of performing their assigned responsibilities.

Any member who feels unable to perform the member's duties shall promptly notify a supervisor. In the event that a member believes that another department member is unable to perform assigned duties, such observations and/or belief shall be promptly reported to a supervisor.

#### 1032.3 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

All supervisors should be alert to any indication that a member may be unable to safely perform the member's duties due to an underlying physical or psychological impairment or condition

Such indications may include:

- (a) An abrupt and negative change in the member's normal behavior.
- (b) A pattern of irrational conduct, hostility, or oppositional behavior.
- (c) Personal expressions of instability.
- (d) Inappropriate use of alcohol or other substances, including prescribed medication.
- (e) A pattern of questionable judgment, impulsive behavior, or the inability to manage emotions.
- (f) Any other factor or combination of factors causing a supervisor to believe the member may be suffering from an impairment or condition requiring intervention.

Supervisors shall maintain the confidentiality of any information consistent with this policy.

### 1032.3.1 REPORTING

A supervisor observing a member, or receiving a report of a member, who is perceived to be unable to safely or effectively perform the member's duties shall promptly document all objective information and/or observations.

The supervisor should attempt to meet with the member to inquire about the conduct or behavior giving rise to the concerns.

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If a meeting does not resolve the supervisor's concerns or does not take place, the supervisor shall promptly document the supervisor's observations and actions in a written report and inform the Patrol Sergeant or the member's Division Commander.

### 1032.3.2 DUTY STATUS

In conjunction with the Patrol Sergeant or the member's Division Commander, the supervisor should make a preliminary determination regarding the member's duty status.

If a determination is made that the member can safely and effectively perform the essential functions of the member's job, the member should be returned to duty and arrangements made for appropriate follow-up.

If a preliminary determination is made that the member's conduct or behavior represents an inability to safely and effectively perform the essential functions of the member's job, the Patrol Sergeant or the member's Division Commander should immediately relieve the member of duty pending further evaluation.

Employees relieved of duty shall comply with the administrative leave provisions of the Personnel Complaints Policy

The Chief of Police shall be promptly notified in the event that any member is relieved of duty.

### 1032.4 LIMITATION ON HOURS WORKED

Absent emergency operations members should not work more than:

- 16 hours in a day (24 hour) period or
- 30 hours in any two-day (48 hour) period or
- 84 hours in any seven-day (168 hour) period

Except in very limited circumstances members should have a minimum of 8 hours off between shifts. Supervisors should give consideration to reasonable rest periods and are authorized to deny overtime or relieve any member who has exceeded the above guidelines to off-duty status.

Limitations on the number of hours worked apply to shift changes, shift trades, rotation, holdover, training, general overtime, and any other work assignments.

### **1032.5 APPEALS**

Employees disputing the application or interpretation of this policy may submit a grievance as provided in the Grievance Procedure Policy.

### 1032.6 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department strives to provide a safe and productive work environment and ensure that all members of this department can safely and effectively perform the essential functions of their jobs. Under limited circumstances, the Department may require a professional evaluation of a member's physical and/or mental capabilities to determine the member's ability to perform essential functions.

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#### 1032.7 FITNESS-FOR-DUTY EVALUATIONS

A fitness-for-duty evaluation may be ordered whenever circumstances reasonably indicate that a member is unfit for duty or following an officer-involved shooting or death-in-custody incident.

### 1032.7.1 PROCESS

The Chief of Police, in cooperation with the Personnel Department, may order the member to undergo a fitness-for-duty evaluation.

The examining practitioner will provide the Department with a report indicating whether the member is fit for duty. If the member is not fit for duty, the practitioner will include the existing restrictions or conditions in the report.

In order to facilitate the evaluation of any member, the Department will provide all appropriate documents and available information.

All reports and evaluations submitted by the examining practitioner shall be part of the member's confidential medical file.

Any member ordered to undergo a fitness-for-duty evaluation shall comply with the terms of the order and cooperate fully with the examining practitioner.

Any failure to comply with such an order and any failure to cooperate with the practitioner may be deemed insubordination and shall subject the member to discipline, up to and including termination.

Determinations regarding duty status of members who are found to be unfit for duty or fit for duty with limitations will be made in cooperation with the Personnel Department.

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# **Extended Rest Break Policy**

### 1033.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to assisting with the health and safety of its employees, and recognizes the risks that fatigue may cause while on duty and traveling to and from work.

#### 1033.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to allow employees to have a rest period, which may include a nap as specified below, under circumstances that would not cause a delay in essential police services, based on call volume and staffing levels.

\*\*\*This policy is being enacted on a 6-month trial basis, in order to allow for the evaluation of its effectiveness.

### **1033.3 LOCATION**

An employee who feels critically fatigued may take an Extended Rest Break while within the Sweet Home Police Department building, but the employee shall be out of sight of the public. The employee who utilizes the Extended Rest Break must be within a clearly audible distance of another employee.

### 1033.4 TIMEFRAME

Extended Rest Breaks may start within the hours of 0100 to 0300, local time. Such breaks shall not be initiated outside of this timeframe without explicit supervisor approval.

### **1033.5 DURATION**

An employee who utilizes an Extended Rest Break may not participate in any form of a nap for longer than 20 minutes. The purpose of the time limitation is to minimize the amount of sleep inertia (also known as grogginess) that follows a nap.

#### 1033.6 FREQUENCY

Employees shall only be allowed to initiate one nap during the specified time frame, unless the nap is prematurely ended by an emergency call for service. If that occurs, the employee may attempt to initiate a nap again, so long as it is still within the aforementioned timeframe, or with supervisor approval.

### 1033.7 UNIFORM ACCOMODATIONS

An employee who utilizes an Extended Rest Break may remove their external ballistic vest carrier and duty belt for the duration of the break. Any firearms shall be secured in a locked container within the building. Required footwear and remaining uniform shall stay on during the break.

### 1033.8 AUDIBLE EQUIPMENT

The employee utilizing an Extended Rest Break must keep a police radio turned on to a clearly audible volume and within arm's reach for the duration of the break. A digital or mechanical device

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that serves the function of an alarm clock shall be set for a time of no more than 20 minutes, and shall be initiated at the start of the Extended Rest Break. The alarm clock shall be placed within the same room as the employee utilizing the break.

### 1033.9 COMMUNICATION

An employee who utilizes an Extended Rest Break shall first notify all other on-duty SHPD employees of their intent to take the break. If the employee utilizing the break is the dispatcher, then another on-duty employee shall cover the call-taking and dispatching duties during the break period. The covering employee should be proficient enough with the CAD system to generate, update, and clear calls for service, in coordination with the officer(s) responding to calls for service.

Upon completion of the Extended Rest Break, the employee who utilized the break shall notify all other on-duty SHPD employees of the completion of the break. This is to confirm that the employee is alert and ready for active service.

### 1033.10 EMERGENCY CALLS FOR SERVICE

If the other on-duty SHPD employees are not reasonably and safely able to handle an emergency call for service, the employee utilizing the Extended Rest Break shall be awoken and called back into active service, regardless of the amount of time they have been on the break.

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## **Lactation Breaks**

## 1035.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance regarding reasonable accommodations for lactating members.

## 1035.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to provide, in compliance with federal and state law, reasonable accommodations for lactating members. This includes break time and appropriate facilities to accommodate any member desiring to express breast milk for the member's nursing child for up to 18 months after the child's birth (29 USC § 218d; 42 USC § 2000gg-1; 29 CFR 1636.3; ORS 653.077).

## 1035.3 LACTATION BREAK TIME

A rest period should be permitted each time the member requires a lactation break (29 USC § 218d; 42 USC § 2000gg-1; 29 CFR 1636.3; ORS 653.077; OAR 839-020-0051). In general, lactation breaks that cumulatively total 30 minutes or less during any four-hour work period or major portion of a four-hour work period would be considered reasonable. However, individual circumstances may require more or less time.

Lactation breaks, if feasible, should be taken at the same time as the member's regularly scheduled rest or meal periods. While a reasonable effort will be made to provide additional time beyond authorized breaks, any such time exceeding regularly scheduled and paid break time will be unpaid.

Members desiring to take a lactation break shall notify the dispatcher or a supervisor prior to taking such a break. Such breaks may be reasonably delayed if they would seriously disrupt department operations.

Once a lactation break has been approved, the break should not be interrupted except for emergency or exigent circumstances.

#### 1035.4 PRIVATE LOCATION

The Department will make reasonable efforts to accommodate members with the use of an appropriate room or other location to express milk in private. Such room or place should be in proximity to the member's work area and shall be other than a bathroom or toilet stall. The location must be shielded from view, free from intrusion from coworkers and the public, and otherwise satisfy the requirements of federal and state law (29 USC § 218d; 42 USC § 2000gg-1; 29 CFR 1636.3; ORS 653.077; OAR 839-020-0051).

Members occupying such private areas shall either secure the door or otherwise make it clear to others that the area is occupied with a need for privacy. All other members should avoid interrupting a member during an authorized break, except to announce an emergency or other urgent circumstance.

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Authorized lactation breaks for members assigned to the field may be taken at the nearest appropriate private area.

## 1035.5 STORAGE OF EXPRESSED MILK

Any member storing expressed milk in any authorized refrigerated area within the Department shall clearly label it as such and shall remove it when the member's shift ends.

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# **Payroll Records**

## 1036.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides the guidelines for completing and submitting payroll records of department members who are eligible for the payment of wages.

## 1036.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department maintains timely and accurate payroll records.

## 1036.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

Members are responsible for the accurate and timely submission of their payroll records for the payment of wages.

Supervisors are responsible for approving the payroll records for those under their commands.

## 1036.4 TIME REQUIREMENTS

Members who are eligible for the payment of wages are paid on a scheduled, periodic basis, generally on the same day or date each period, with certain exceptions, such as holidays. Payroll records shall be completed and submitted to Administrative Services as established by the City payroll procedures.

## 1036.5 RECORDS

The Administrative Services Division Commander shall ensure that accurate and timely payroll records are maintained as required by 29 CFR 516.2 for a minimum of three years (29 CFR 516.5).

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# **Overtime Payment Requests**

## 1038.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

It is the policy of the Department to compensate non-exempt salaried employees who work authorized overtime either by payment of wages as agreed and in effect through the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), or by the allowance of accrual of compensatory time off. In order to qualify for either, the employee must complete and submit a Request for Overtime Payment as soon as practical after overtime is worked.

## 1038.1.1 DEPARTMENT POLICY

Because of the nature of police work, and the specific needs of the Department, a degree of flexibility concerning overtime policies must be maintained.

Non-exempt employees are not authorized to volunteer work time for the Department. All requests to work overtime shall be approved in advance by a supervisor. If circumstances do not permit prior approval, then approval shall be sought as soon as practical during the overtime shift and in no case later than the end of shift in which the overtime is worked.

Short periods of work at the end of the normal duty day (e.g., less than one hour in duration) may be handled unofficially between the supervisor and the employee by flexing a subsequent shift schedule to compensate for the time worked rather than by submitting requests for overtime payments. If the supervisor authorizes or directs the employee to complete a form for such a period, the employee shall comply.

The individual employee may request compensatory time in lieu of receiving overtime payment, however, the employee may not exceed 80 hours of compensatory time.

## 1038.2 REQUEST FOR OVERTIME COMPENSATION

Employees shall submit all overtime compensation requests to their immediate supervisors as soon as practicable for verification and forwarding to the Administrative Services Division. Failure to submit a request for overtime compensation in a timely manner may result in discipline.

#### 1038.2.1 EMPLOYEES RESPONSIBILITY

Employees shall complete the requests immediately after working the overtime and turn them in to their immediate supervisor. Employees submitting requests for on-call backup pay, when off duty, shall submit requests to the Patrol Sergeant the first day after returning to work.

## 1038.2.2 SUPERVISORS RESPONSIBILITY

The supervisor who verifies the overtime earned shall verify that the overtime was worked before approving the request.

## 1038.3 ACCOUNTING FOR OVERTIME WORKED

Employees are to record the actual time worked in an overtime status.

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## 1038.3.1 VARIATION IN TIME REPORTED

Where two or more employees are assigned to the same activity, case, or court trial and the amount of time for which payment is requested varies from that reported by the other officer, the Patrol Sergeant or other approving supervisor may require each employee to include the reason for the variation on the back of the overtime payment request.

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# **Outside Employment**

## 1040.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In order to avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest for departmental employees engaging in outside employment, all employees shall obtain written approval from the Chief of Police prior to engaging in any outside employment. Approval of outside employment shall be at the discretion of the Chief of Police in accordance with the provisions of this policy.

#### 1040.1.1 DEFINITIONS

**Outside Employment** - Any member of this department who receives wages, compensation or other consideration of value from another employer, organization or individual not affiliated directly with this department for services, product(s) or benefits rendered. For purposes of this section, the definition of outside employment includes those employees who are self-employed and not affiliated directly with this department for services, product(s) or benefits rendered.

**Outside Overtime** - Any member of this department who performs duties or services on behalf of an outside organization, company, or individual within this jurisdiction. Such outside overtime shall be requested and scheduled directly through this department so that the Department may be reimbursed for the cost of wages and benefits.

## 1040.2 OBTAINING APPROVAL

No member of this department may engage in any outside employment without first obtaining prior written approval of the Chief of Police. Failure to obtain prior written approval for outside employment or engaging in outside employment prohibited by this policy may lead to disciplinary action.

In order to obtain approval for outside employment, the employee must complete an Outside Employment request which shall be submitted to the employee's immediate supervisor. The application will then be forwarded through channels to the Chief of Police for consideration. If approved, the employee will be provided with a written copy of the approval.

Any employee seeking approval of outside employment, whose request has been denied, shall be provided with a written reason for the denial of the application at the time of the denial.

# 1040.2.1 REVOCATION/SUSPENSION OF OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT PERMITS Any outside employment authorization may be revoked or suspended under the following circumstances:

- (a) Should an employee's performance at this department decline to a point where it is evaluated by a supervisor as needing improvement to reach an overall level of competency, the Chief of Police may, at his or her discretion, revoke any previously approved outside employment authorization.
- (b) Suspension or revocation of a previously approved outside employment authorization may be included as a term or condition of sustained discipline.

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- (c) If, at any time during the term of a valid outside employment authorization, an employee's conduct or outside employment conflicts with the provisions of department policy, the permit may be suspended or revoked.
- (d) When an employee is unable to perform at regular duty capacity due to an injury or other condition, any previously approved outside employment authorization may be subject to similar restrictions as those applicable to the employee's regularly assigned duties until the employee has returned to regular duty status.

## 1040.3 PROHIBITED OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

The Department expressly reserves the right to deny any Outside Employment request submitted by an employee seeking to engage in any activity which:

- (a) Involves the employee's use of departmental time, facilities, equipment or supplies, the use of the Department badge, uniform, prestige or influence for private gain or advantage
- (b) Involves the employee's receipt or acceptance of any money or other consideration from anyone other than this department for the performance of an act which the employee, if not performing such act, would be required or expected to render in the regular course or hours of employment or as a part of the employee's duties as a member of this department
- (c) Involves the performance of an act in other than the employee's capacity as a member of this department that may later be subject directly or indirectly to the control, inspection, review, audit or enforcement of any other employee of this department
- (d) Involves time demands that would render performance of the employee's duties for this department less efficient

## 1040.3.1 OUTSIDE SECURITY AND PEACE OFFICER EMPLOYMENT

No member of this department may engage in any outside or secondary employment as a private security guard, private investigator or other similar private security position.

Any private organization, entity or individual seeking special services for security or traffic control from members of this department must submit a written request to the Chief of Police in advance of the desired service. Such outside overtime will be assigned, monitored and paid through the Department.

- (a) The applicant will be required to enter into an indemnification agreement prior to approval.
- (b) The applicant will further be required to provide for the compensation and full benefits of all employees requested for such outside security services.
- (c) Should such a request be approved, any employee working outside overtime shall be subject to the following conditions:

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- 1. The officer(s) shall wear the departmental uniform/identification.
- 2. The officer(s) shall be subject to the rules and regulations of this department.
- 3. No officer may engage in such outside employment during or at the site of a strike, lockout, picket, or other physical demonstration of a labor dispute.
- 4. Compensation for such approved outside security services shall be pursuant to normal overtime procedures.
- 5. No officer may engage in outside employment as a peace officer for any other public agency without prior written authorization of the Chief of Police.

## 1040.3.2 OUTSIDE OVERTIME ARREST AND REPORTING PROCEDURE

Any employee making an arrest or taking other official police action while working in an approved outside overtime assignment shall be required to complete all related reports in a timely manner pursuant to department policy. Time spent on the completion of such reports shall be considered incidental to the outside overtime assignment.

## 1040.3.3 SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS

Except for emergency situations or with prior authorization from the Chief of Police, undercover officers or officers assigned to covert operations shall not be eligible to work overtime or other assignments in a uniformed or other capacity which might reasonably disclose the officer's law enforcement status.

## 1040.4 DEPARTMENT RESOURCES

Employees are prohibited from using any department equipment or resources in the course of or for the benefit of any outside employment. This shall include the prohibition of access to official records or databases of this department or other agencies through the use of the employee's position with this department.

## 1040.4.1 REVIEW OF FINANCIAL RECORDS

Employees approved for outside employment expressly agree that their personal financial records may be requested and reviewed/audited for potential conflict of interest.

## 1040.5 MATERIAL CHANGES TO OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

If an employee terminates his or her outside employment during the period of a valid authorization, the employee shall promptly submit written notification of such termination to the Chief of Police through channels. Any subsequent request for renewal or continued outside employment must thereafter be processed and approved through normal procedures set forth in this policy.

Employees shall also promptly submit in writing to the Chief of Police any material changes in outside employment including any change in the number of hours, type of duties, or demands of any approved outside employment. Employees who are uncertain whether a change in outside employment is material should report the change.

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#### 1040.6 OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT WHILE ON DISABILITY

Department members engaged in outside employment who are placed on disability leave or modified/light-duty shall inform their immediate supervisor in writing within five days whether or not they intend to continue to engage in such outside employment while on such leave or light-duty status. The immediate supervisor shall review the duties of the outside employment along with any related doctor's orders, and make a recommendation to the Chief of Police whether such outside employment should continue.

In the event the Chief of Police determines that the outside employment should be discontinued or if the employee fails to promptly notify his/her supervisor of his/her intentions regarding their work permit, a notice of revocation of the member's permit will be forwarded to the involved employee, and a copy attached to the original work authorization.

Criteria for revoking the outside employment permit include, but are not limited to, the following:

- (a) The outside employment is medically detrimental to the total recovery of the disabled member, as indicated by the City's professional medical advisors.
- (b) The outside employment performed requires the same or similar physical ability, as would be required of an on-duty member.
- (c) The employee's failure to make timely notice of their intentions to their supervisor.

When the disabled member returns to full duty with the Sweet Home Police Department, a request (in writing) may be made to the Chief of Police to restore the authorization.

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# Occupational Disease and Work-Related Injury Reporting

## 1042.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance regarding the timely reporting of occupational diseases, mental health issues and work-related injuries.

## 1042.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

Occupational disease or work-related injury - An accidental injury or any disease or infection arising out of and in the course of employment that requires medical services or results in disability or death. The occupational disease (including a mental disorder) must be caused by substances or activities to which the member would not ordinarily be subjected or exposed except during employment with the Sweet Home Police Department (ORS 656.005(7); ORS 656.802).

## 1042.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department will address occupational diseases, mental health issues and work-related injuries appropriately, and will comply with applicable state workers' compensation requirements (ORS 656.001 et seq.).

## 1042.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

## 1042.3.1 MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Any member sustaining any occupational disease or work-related injury shall report such event as soon as practicable, but within 24 hours, to a supervisor, and shall seek medical care when appropriate. The member may choose a medical service provider, attending physician or authorized nurse practitioner for medical care (OAR 436-060-0010).

#### 1042.3.2 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

A supervisor learning of any occupational disease or work-related injury should ensure the member receives medical care as appropriate. The supervisor shall provide every injured member with a Report of Job Injury or Illness form (Form 801) immediately upon the request of the member or his/her attorney, or upon receiving notice or knowledge of an accident that may involve a compensable injury (ORS 656.265; OAR 436-060-0010).

Supervisors shall determine whether the Major Incident Notification and Illness and Injury Prevention policies apply and take additional action as required.

## 1042.3.3 CHIEF OF POLICE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Chief of Police shall review and forward copies of the report to the Personnel Department. Copies of the report and related documents retained by the Department shall be filed in the member's confidential medical file.

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#### 1042.4 OTHER DISEASE OR INJURY

Diseases and injuries caused or occurring on-duty that do not qualify for workers' compensation reporting shall be documented on the designated report of injury form, which shall be signed by a supervisor. A copy of the completed form shall be forwarded to the appropriate Division Commander through the chain of command and a copy sent to the Administrative Services Division Commander.

Unless the injury is extremely minor, this report shall be signed by the affected member, indicating that he/she desired no medical attention at the time of the report. By signing, the member does not preclude his/her ability to later seek medical attention.

## 1042.5 SETTLEMENT OFFERS

When a member sustains an occupational disease or work-related injury that is caused by another person and is subsequently contacted by that person, his/her agent, insurance company or attorney and offered a settlement, the member shall take no action other than to submit a written report of this contact to his/her supervisor as soon as possible.

## 1042.5.1 NO SETTLEMENT WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL

No less than 10 days prior to accepting and finalizing the settlement of any third-party claim arising out of or related to an occupational disease or work-related injury, the member shall provide the Chief of Police with written notice of the proposed terms of such settlement. In no case shall the member accept a settlement without first providing written notice to the Chief of Police. The purpose of such notice is to permit the City to determine whether the offered settlement will affect any claim the City may have regarding payment for damage to equipment or reimbursement for wages against the person who caused the disease or injury, and to protect the City's right of subrogation, while ensuring that the member's right to receive compensation is not affected.

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# **Personal Appearance Standards**

## 1044.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In order to project uniformity and neutrality toward the public and other members of the department, employees of this department shall maintain their personal hygiene and appearance to project a professional image appropriate for this department and for their assignment.

## 1044.2 GROOMING STANDARDS

Unless otherwise stated and because deviations from these standards could present officer safety issues, the following appearance standards shall apply to all employees, except those whose current assignment would deem them not appropriate, and where the Chief of Police has granted exception.

#### 1044.2.1 HAIR

Hairstyles of all members shall be neat in appearance. For male sworn members, hair must not extend below the top edge of the uniform collar while assuming a normal stance.

For female sworn members, hair must be no longer than the horizontal level of the bottom of the uniform patch when the employee is standing erect, worn up or in a tightly wrapped braid or ponytail.

## 1044.2.2 MUSTACHES

A short and neatly trimmed mustache may be worn. Mustaches shall not extend below the corners of the mouth or beyond the natural hairline of the upper lip.

## 1044.2.3 SIDEBURNS

Sideburns shall not extend below the bottom of the outer ear opening (the top of the earlobes) and shall be trimmed and neat.

## 1044.2.4 FACIAL HAIR

Facial hair consisting of full beards and goatee's are authorized. Facial hair shall not extend over 1/4" in length from the face unless authorized by the Chief of Police or his/her designee. Goatee's will be accompained with a mustache and is actually known as a Van Dyke. Facial hair will have all components of the Van Dyke.

Employees must maintain a neat, clean and professional appearance at all times. All facial hair shall be subject to final approval by the Chief of Police or his/her designee.

## 1044.2.5 FINGERNAILS

Fingernails extending beyond the tip of the finger can pose a safety hazard to officers or others. For this reason, fingernails shall be trimmed so that no point of the nail extends beyond the tip of the finger.

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## 1044.2.6 JEWELRY AND ACCESSORIES

No jewelry or personal ornaments shall be worn by officers on any part of the uniform or equipment, except those authorized within this manual. Jewelry, if worn around the neck, shall not be visible above the shirt collar. Bracelets, except for medical alert and those specifically authorized by the Chief of Police, may not be worn.

Earrings shall not be worn by uniformed sworn members, detectives or special assignment personnel without permission of the Chief of Police or his/her designee. Only one ring may be worn on each hand of the employee while on-duty.

## 1044.2.7 CONTACT LENSES

Employees may wear contact lenses of a natural eye color only. Unnaturally colored contact lenses or colors that create an unnatural eye color or graphic design are not permitted while on duty or representing the Department.

#### **1044.3 TATTOOS**

While on-duty or representing the Sweet Home Police Department in any official capacity, members shall adhere to the following guidelines concerning tattoos. Official capacity includes but is not limited to attending conferences, participating in meetings, and instructing or participating in Department sponsored or authorized training.

Visible tattoos are not permitted on the neck, face, head or hands below the wrist. The neck, head and face area is considered any area above the clavicle.

If tattoos cover more than the majority of the exposed arm, a long sleeved uniform shirt or a long sleeved professional attire shirt will be worn for court and administrative hearings.

Visible offensive tattoos are strictly prohibited and must be covered. Offensive tattoos are defined as tattoos that are derogatory towards other based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, sexual orientation or any other legally protected class under Federal or State law. Offensive tattoos also include images that portray nudity, pornography or profane language.

The Chief of Police shall be the final authority in determining if a tattoo is considered offensive. Public and professional perception of any visible tattoo or body art shall serve as a primary factor in determining offensiveness.

#### 1044.3.1 DENTAL ART

Gem stones, unnaturally colored or shaped teeth and other ornamentation that is affixed to the teeth for the purposes of decoration or adornment is not allowed while on duty or representing the Department in any official capacity.

## 1044.4 BODY PIERCING OR ALTERATION

Body piercing or alteration to any area of the body visible in any authorized uniform or attire that is a deviation from normal anatomical features and which is not medically required is prohibited except with prior authorization of the Chief of Police. Such body alteration includes, but is not limited to:

(a) Tongue splitting or piercing.

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- (b) The complete or transdermal implantation of any material other than hair replacement.
- (c) Abnormal shaping of the ears, eyes, nose or teeth.
- (d) Branding or scarification.

## 1044.5 EXEMPTIONS

Members who seek cultural (e.g., protected hairstyle) or other exemptions to this policy that are protected by law should generally be accommodated (ORS 659A.001; ORS 659A.030). A member with an exemption may be ineligible for an assignment if the individual accommodation presents a security or safety risk. The Chief of Police should be advised any time a request for such an accommodation is denied or when a member with a cultural or other exemption is denied an assignment based on a safety or security risk.

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# **Uniform Regulations**

## 1046.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The uniform policy of the Sweet Home Police Department is established to ensure that uniformed officers will be readily identifiable to the public through the proper use and wearing of department uniforms. Employees should also refer to the following associated Policy Manual sections:

Section 700 - Department Owned and Personal Property

Section 1024 - Body Armor

Section 1044 - Grooming Standards

#### 1046.2 WEARING AND CONDITION OF UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT

Police employees wear the uniform to be identified as the law enforcement authority in society. The uniform also serves an equally important purpose to identify the wearer as a source of assistance in an emergency, crisis or other time of need.

- (a) Uniform and equipment shall be maintained in a serviceable condition and shall be ready at all times for immediate use. Uniforms shall be neat, clean, and appear professionally pressed.
- (b) All officers of this department shall possess and maintain at all times, a serviceable uniform and the necessary equipment to perform uniformed field duty.
- (c) Personnel shall wear only the uniform specified for their rank and assignment.
- (d) The uniform is to be worn in compliance with the specifications set forth in this policy.
- (e) All supervisors will perform periodic inspections of their personnel to ensure conformance to these regulations.
- (f) Civilian attire shall not be worn in combination with any distinguishable part of the uniform except when the uniform is worn while in transit, an outer garment may be worn over the uniform shirt so as not to bring attention to the employee while he/she is off duty.
- (g) Uniforms are only to be worn while on duty, while in transit to or from work, for court, or at other official department functions or events.
- (h) Employees are not to purchase or drink alcoholic beverages while wearing any part of the department uniform, including the uniform pants.
- (i) Mirrored sunglasses will not be worn with any Department uniform
- (j) Visible jewelry, other than those items listed below, shall not be worn with the uniform unless specifically authorized by the Chief of Police or his designee.
  - 1. Wrist watch

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- 2. Wedding ring(s), class ring, or other ring of tasteful design. A maximum of one ring/set may be worn on each hand
- 3. Medical alert bracelet

## 1046.2.1 DEPARTMENT ISSUED IDENTIFICATION

The Department issues each employee an official department identification card bearing the employee's name, identifying information and photo likeness. All employees shall be in possession of their department issued identification card at all times while on duty, when wishing to access the Police Services Building, or when carrying a firearm or concealed weapon.

- (a) Whenever on duty or acting in an official capacity representing the department, employees shall display their department issued identification in a courteous manner to any person upon request and as soon as practical.
- (b) Officers working specialized assignments may be excused from the possession and display requirements when directed by The Chief of Police.

#### 1046.3 UNIFORM CLASSES

## 1046.3.1 CLASS A UNIFORM

The Class A uniform is to be worn on special occasions such as funerals, graduations, ceremonies, or as directed. The Class A uniform is required for all sworn personnel. The Class A uniform includes the standard issue uniform with:

- (a) Long sleeve shirt with matching tie
- (b) Pressed department issued pants
- (c) Polished boots or shoes
- (d) All award pins or ribbons authorized for the employee

Boots with pointed toes are not permitted.

#### 1046.3.2 CLASS B UNIFORM

All officers will possess and maintain a serviceable Class B uniform at all times.

The Class B uniform will consist of the same garments and equipment as the Class A uniform with the following exceptions:

- (a) The long or short sleeve shirt may be worn with the collar open. No tie is required
- (b) Department issued pants
- (c) A dark navy blue or black crew neck t-shirt must be worn with the uniform
- (d) All shirt buttons must remain buttoned except for the last button at the neck
- (e) Shoes for the Class B uniform may be as described in the Class A uniform

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- (f) Approved all black unpolished boots may be worn
- (g) Boots with pointed toes are not permitted

## 1046.3.3 CLASS C UNIFORM

The Class C uniform is established to allow field personnel cooler clothing during the summer months on specific special duty assignments. The Chief of Police may allow wearing of the Class C Uniform for special event assignments. The Class C Uniform consists of the following:

- (a) Dark navy blue or black department issued polo shirt with embroidered badge and name tag
- (b) Department issued uniform pants or shorts
- (c) Shoes for the Class C uniform may be a described in the Class B uniform

## 1046.3.4 SPECIALIZED UNIT UNIFORMS

The Chief of Police may authorize special uniforms to be worn by officers in specialized units such as SWAT, Bicycle Patrol and other specialized assignments.

#### 1046.3.5 FOUL WEATHER GEAR

Foul weather jackets shall be issued to personnel regularly required to work in inclement weather.

## 1046.3.6 NON-SWORN EMPLOYEE UNIFORM

There are assignments within the Department that do not require the wearing of a uniform because recognition and authority are not essential to their function but where a uniform identity is authorized. The non-sworn uniform shall consist of the following:

- (a) The department issued short sleeve polo shirt. All buttons, with the exception of the top button ,will be completely fastened. All shirts shall be properly fitted.
- (b) Pants or trousers shall be solid black in color, non denim and department approved. They shall be appropriately fitted.
- (c) Jackets are optional but must be department issued.

If the employee elects to wear the authorized non-sworn uniform, then the accompanying footwear must be black in color, of conservative style, with a closed toe and heel. Black socks or hosiery.

## 1046.4 INSIGNIA AND PATCHES

- (a) Shoulder Patch The authorized shoulder patch supplied by the Department shall be machine stitched to the left sleeve of all uniform shirts and jackets, three-quarters of an inch below the shoulder seam of the shirt and be bisected by the crease in the sleeve.
- (b) American Flag Patch The authorized flag patch will be worn on the right sleeve of all uniform shirts and jackets, three-quarters of an inch below the shoulder seam of the shirt and be bisected by the crease in the sleeve.

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- (c) Senior Officer Patch Those officers who qualify for "Longevity Merit Pay" as it related to the Collective Bargaining Agreement will have the authorized Senior Officer Patch worn on all uniform shirts, five (5) inches below each shoulder seam and be bisected by the crease in the sleeve.
- (d) The regulation nameplate or an authorized sewn on cloth nameplate, shall be worn at all times while in uniform. The nameplate shall display the employee's first initial of the first name and the last name. If the employee desires other than the legal first name, the employee must receive approval from the Chief of Police. The nameplate shall be worn and placed above the right pocket located in the middle, bisected by the pressed shirt seam, with equal distance from both sides of the nameplate to the outer edge of the pocket. Metal nameplates will display the employee's length of service, eg "Serving Since \_\_\_."
- (e) On Department issued jackets, the authorized sewn on cloth nameplate shall be affixed to the jacket in the same manner as the uniform.
- (f) Assignment and Military Insignias -"Approved assignment insignias, (SWAT, FTO, etc.) and milirary insignias may be worn as designated by the Chief of Police.
- (g) Badge The department issued badge, or an authorized sewn on cloth replica, must be worn and visible at all times while in uniform.
- (h) Rank Insignia The designated insignia indicating the employee's rank must be worn at all times while in uniform. The Chief of Police may authorize exceptions. Sewn on rank insignia or chevrons shall be royal blue in color with black and silver trim and will be worn with the center point up, one on each sleeve of all shirts, coveralls, jackets and coats. The left Chevron point will be 1" below and centered on the Department shoulder patch with the right sleeve Chevron matching in equidistant from the sleeve bottom. Rank "Collar brass" may be authorized for the long-sleeve uniform shirt.
- (i) Longevity "Hash Marks" Department issued "Hash Marks" will be sewn on to the lower, left sleeve of the long sleeve Department issued uniform shirt. One "Hash Mark" will designate four (4) years of law enforcement service, and will be issued (if applicable) upon completion of the probationary period of employement.

## 1046.4.1 MOURNING BADGE

Uniformed employees should wear a black mourning band across the uniform badge whenever a law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty. The following mourning periods will be observed:

- (a) An officer of this department or from within Linn County- From the time of death until midnight on the 14th day after the death.
- (b) An officer from within the State of Oregon- From the time of death until midnight on the day of the funeral.
- (c) Funeral attendee While attending the funeral of an out of region fallen officer.

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- (d) National Peace Officers Memorial Day (May 15th) From 0001 hours until 2359 hours.
- (e) As directed by the Chief of Police.

#### 1046.5 CIVILIAN ATTIRE

There are assignments within the Department that do not require the wearing of a uniform because recognition and authority are not essential to their function. There are also assignments in which the wearing of civilian attire is necessary.

- (a) All employees shall wear clothing that fits properly, is clean and free of stains, and not damaged or excessively worn.
- (b) All male administrative, investigative and support personnel who elect to wear civilian clothing to work shall wear button style shirts with a collar, slacks or suits that are moderate in style.
- (c) All female administrative, investigative, and support personnel who elect to wear civilian clothes to work shall wear dresses, slacks, shirts, blouses, or suits which are moderate in style.
- (d) The following items shall not be worn on duty:
  - 1. T-shirt alone
  - 2. Open toed sandals or thongs
  - 3. Swimsuit, tube tops, or halter-tops
  - 4. Spandex type pants or see-through clothing
  - 5. Blue jeans
  - 6. Distasteful printed slogans, buttons or pins
- (e) Variations from this order are allowed at the discretion of the Chief of Police or designee when the employee's assignment or current task is not conducive to the wearing of such clothing.
- (f) No item of civilian attire may be worn on duty that would adversely affect the reputation of the Sweet Home Police Department or the morale of the employees.

## 1046.6 POLITICAL ACTIVITIES, ENDORSEMENTS, AND ADVERTISEMENTS

Unless specifically authorized by the Chief of Police, Sweet Home Police Department employees may not wear any part of the uniform, be photographed wearing any part of the uniform, utilize a department badge, patch or other official insignia, or cause to be posted, published, or displayed, the image of another employee, or identify himself/herself as an employee of the Sweet Home Police Department to do any of the following:

- (a) Endorse, support, oppose, or contradict any political campaign or initiative.
- (b) Endorse, support, oppose, or contradict any social issue, cause, or religion.

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- (c) Endorse, support, or oppose, any product, service, company or other commercial entity.
- (d) Appear in any commercial, social, or non-profit publication; or any motion picture, film, video, public broadcast, or any website.

## 1046.7 OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT - MAINTENANCE, AND REPLACEMENT

- (a) Any of the items listed in the Uniform and Equipment Specifications as optional, with the exception of the non-sworn uniform shirt and pants, shall be purchased totally at the expense of the employee. No part of the purchase cost shall be offset by the Department for the cost of providing the Department issued item.
- (b) Maintenance of optional items shall be the financial responsibility of the purchasing employee. For example, repairs due to normal wear and tear.
- (c) Replacement of items listed in this order as optional shall be done as follows:
  - 1. When the item is no longer functional because of normal wear and tear, the employee bears the full cost of replacement.
  - 2. When the item is no longer functional because of damage in the course of the employee's duties, it shall be replaced following the procedures for the replacement of damaged personal property. (Policy Manual § 700)

## 1046.8 UNAUTHORIZED UNIFORMS, EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES

Sweet Home Police Department employees may not wear any uniform item, accessory or attachment unless specifically authorized in the Uniform and Equipment Specifications or by the Chief of Police or designee.

Sweet Home Police Department employees may not use or carry any safety item, tool or other piece of equipment unless specifically authorized in the Uniform and Equipment Specifications or by the Chief of Police or designee.

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## 1048.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department Explorer Post is organized within the guidelines set forth by the national Learning For Life organization. The Post provides an opportunity for Explorers, consisting of juveniles and young adults of Sweet Home and surrounding areas, to improve community relations with the Police Department, learn about the law enforcement profession, develop life skills, and gain leadership experience.

The specific operational details of the Explorer Post are outlined in the Sweet Home Police Department Explorer Operations Manual, which is incorporated by reference herein. Part of the intent of this policy is to ensure that the Department conforms to the rules set forth by Learning For Life governing youth participation and oversight.

## 1048.2 EXPLORER POST ADVISOR STAFF POSITIONS

The Explorer Post Advisor Staff members are responsible for the general operation of the Explorer Post and its integration into Department activities, events, and operations.

All Staff Advisors shall, at a minimum, be non-probationary employees in good standing, be registered as an advisor with Learning For Life, have received training in Youth Protections, and participate in regular training as required by Learning For Life.

Explorer Coordinator: The Explorer Coordinator shall be appointed by the Chief of Police and is responsible for the general administration and operations of the Post. The Explorer Coordinator shall maintain the Post's registration with Learning For Life.

Explorer Advisor: All Explorer Advisors will report to the Explorer Coordinator for Post matters. The Explorer Coordinator, in conjuction with the Chief of Police, is responsible for disciplinary matters involving Explorers. Explorer Advisor: The Explorer Advisors are responsible for assisting with Post activities, events, training, and operations. Problems arising in the Post should be brought to the attention of the Explorer Coordinator.

## 1048.3 EXPLORER UNIFORM AND ATTIRE

The Department will provide the Explorer with uniform equipment as outlined in the Operations Manual. Explorers shall wear an appropriate uniform while on duty at all details, on ride-alongs, and when performing volunteer services. Explorers shall wear appropriate civilian attire when participating in Post activities in which they are not considered to be on duty.

## 1048.4 EXPLORER RIDE-ALONGS

Explorers may participate in ride-alongs with sworn, non-probationary officers in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the Operations Manual. Scheduling of all ride-alongs shall be performed through the proper Explorer chain of command. Explorers shall not individually schedule ride-alongs directly with officers although they may request to ride with a specific officer. While on a ride-along, Explorers shall take direction and orders from the host officer at all times. Explorers

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shall stay in or near the patrol vehicle unless directed to otherwise by the officer. Explorers shall wear seat belts.

A standard Explorer ride-along is six (6) hours long. The Explorer may ride longer, at the officer's discretion, within the following guidelines: Ride-alongs shall start no earlier than 0800 hours and no later than 2000 hours. Ride-alongs shall end no later than midnight for Explorers under 18 years old and no later than 0100 hours for Explorers 18 years old or older. In the event that an officer is unable to return the Explorer to the Department or home by the deadline due to an extended call for service, the officer shall notify a supervisor and arrangements shall me made to return the Explorer to the Department or home, as soon as practical.

Explorers violating the ride-along hours shall be subject to discipline.

Either the officer or Explorer may terminate a ride-along at any time for any reason. When a ridealong is terminated early, the Explorer adn the officer shall inform the Explorer Coordinator of the circumstances and reason for the early termination in order to address any problems or concerns with the ride-along.

#### 1048.4.1 CRITICAL INCIDENTS AND OFFICER EMERGENCIES

Explorers are specifically ordered to remain in the patrol vehicle during incidents or calls that are obviously hazardous to the Explorer's health and safety. In the case of calls that are clearly life-threatening to the host officer (i.e. active shooters, riots, etc.), reasonable efforts should be made to drop the Explorer off at a safe location before the officer arrives at the call. In such cases, the officer shall notify Dispatch of the Explorer's location and arrangements shall be made to take the Explorer home or back to the Department, as soon as is practical. If the Explorer cannot be left at a safe location prior to arrival at the scene, the Explorer shall seek a position of cover near the scene.

Explorers are not expected to go to the aid of an officer in trouble, except to notify Dispatch of the emergency when possible. Explorers are expected to seek a safe position in the event that the Explorer's own safety is in serious jeopardy. However, this policy does not prohibit Explorers from taking reasonable steps to ensure their own safety in exigent circumstances.

If an Explorer is involved in a critical incident, the Explorer Coordinator shall be notified immediately. The Explorer shall not be interviewed in depth, regardless of the Explorer's involvement, without an uninvolved Advisor present, except to ascertain immediately necessary public safety information. Any Explorers involved in a critical incident shall be offered limited initial counseling services throught the Department.

## 1048.5 GENERAL EXPLORER SUPERVISION

To comply with the Youth Protections guidelines set forth by Learning For Life, Explorers shall not intentionally be placed in situations in which they are alone with only one adult in a private environment for an extended time. At least one Advisor and at least one additional supervising adult must attend any Post-specific activity.

Details and ride-alongs, by their nature, are assumed to occur in a public environment and thus only require a minimum of one sworn officer (preferably an Advisor at details) for supervision.

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For the purposes of supervision, a "supervising adult" is considered to be any Staff Advisor, Department employee, parent of an Explorer, Advisor of a different Explorer Post, or any other responsible adult of at least 21 years of age who has been approved by the Explorer Coordinator.

## 1048.5.1 EMPLOYEE SUPERVISION DURING TRIPS/ACTIVITIES

Advisors and Department employees attending Post trips or activities are responsible for the safety and care of the Explorers. As such, at least one or more supervising adults must be in proper condition to tend to the needs of the Explorers at any given time.

#### 1048.5.2 FRATERNIZATION

Explorers participate in activities that place them under the direct supervision of Sweet Home Police Department employees (both sworn and non-sworn). As such, fraternization between Explorers and Department employees is inconsistent and incompatible with the goals of this program. While it is natural for friendships to develop between Explorers and Department employees, social relationsips are restricted as follows:

Sweet Home Police Department employees are specifically prohibited from establishing and/or mantaining dating, intimate, and/or sexual relationships with any Explorer in this Post.

#### 1048.6 EXPLORER ACTIVITIES

Requests for Explorer involvement in details or volunteer tasks shall be made through the Explorer Coordinator for scheduling and approval. Explorers shall not be recruited individually for details or volunteer opportunities. Event/activity coordinators may request specific Explorers with good cause.

Explorers may be utilized in Department and Community details in a capacity that does not intentionally place them in situations that present clear danger of physical harm. Explorers may also perform volunteer services for the Department. Such services may include, but are not limited to, assisting with tasks in the Department and acting as role players for training activities.

Explorers may participate in organized Post specific activities (i.e. recreational field trips, Explorer Conferences, etc.) Activities shall be planned in accordance with the Department and Learning For Life polices and shall be open to all eligible Explorers.

Explorers shall not be used in any covert or undercover operations as members of the Post. However, they may be offered the opportunity to participate as private citizens in such operations as permited by Department policy. The Post and Learning For Life assume no liability or responibility for any participants during such operation.

## 1048.7 OVERNIGHT TRIPS

Some Explorer details and activities may require one or more overnight stays away from home. On any overnight trip:

(a) At least one supervising adult must be of the same gender as any Explorer attending.

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- (b) Supervising adults shall not share individual rooms with any Explorers but may be in the same room as ALL Explorers if the sleeping location is arranged for the entire group (i.e. everone is staying in a school gym).
- (c) Male and female Explorers shall not share an individual room, except those that are married to each other.
- (d) Facilities must provide sufficient privacy for individuals when changing or bathing.

## 1048.8 EXPLORER MISCONDUCT - INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS

This section does not apply to criminal investigations.

Although Explorers are at-will vounteers for the Department and may be terminated from their position without cause, Explorers are valued by the Department. As such, allegations of misconduct should be reviewd in a fair, thorough, and impartial manner.

Any allegations(s) of Explorer criminal activity, policy violations, violations of guidelines set forth in the Operations Manual, or other impropriety shall be brought to the attention of the Explorer Coordinator even if the allegations involve actions of the Explorer off-duty.

The Explorer Coordinator may make brief initial inquiries to determine the accuracy and seriousness of the allegations. The inquiries should not be construed as a "fishing Expedition".

Should it appear from the initial inquiry that the Explorer should be placed on leave or terminated from the Post, the Explorer Coordinator will consult with the Chief of Police and conduct an investigation with management oversight.

Upon conclusion of the investigation, the Explorer Coordinator shall discuss appropriate actions with the Chief of Police, prior to imposing them.

Explorers under criminal investigation by any jurisdiction may be suspended from the Post immediately, pending the outcome of the criminal investigation. Explorers may be subject to Post specific corrective actions based upon the criminal investigation findings.

Officers or citizens who have complaints about any individual Explorer or the Post shall bring their concerns to the Explorer Coordinator or the Chief of Police directly. Hearsay complaints from third parties shall not be entertained.

## 1048.9 INTERVIEWING EXPLORERS - INTERNAL INVESTIGATIONS

This section does not apply to criminal investigations.

Any Explorer that is the subject to an investigation shall be interviewed as follows:

- (a) The Explorer shall be informed of the specific allegation(s) at the start of the interview.
- (b) The interview shall be conducted by a maximum of two people including the Explorer Coordinator.
- (c) The interview shall be held at a reasonable time of day and shall be as short as possible.

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- (d) The interview shall focus strictly on the allegations(s) and shall not be a "fishing expedition".
- (e) The Explorer shall be afforded any and all breaks necessary to tend to personal needs.
- (f) The Explorer shall not be subjected to harsh language, threats, or other abusive behavior.
- (g) The Explorer shall be allowed to bring a parent and/or an uninvolved representative (such as a Department employee) for support.
- (h) The Explorer may have a maximum of two support persons.
  - 1. The support person(s) may sit in on the interview to ensure that the Explorer is treated properly, but the interview may be terminated if the support person(s) unnecessarily interfere with the investigation.
  - 2. If the Explorer cannot be interviewed without interference, then the investigation may be concluded without taking the unasked interview questions into consideration.

## 1048.10 EXPLORER DIRECTIVES

Absent exigent circumstances when no other options exist:

- Explorers shall not take direct criminal enforcement actions
- Explorers shall not be placed in circumstances or be asked to take any action that would intentionally subject them to being subpoenaed to court
- Explorers shall not use restricted computer systems (i.e. LEDS, NCIC, Justice, etc.), unless they are fully certified to do so and they are supervised by a qualified department employee
- Explorers shall not drive marked patrol vehicles except while under the immediate supervision during Department or Post sponsored training activities
- Explorers shall not drive a personal vehicle to perform official Department duties or activities unless specifically authorized to do so by the Explorer Coordinator
- Explorers may perform light traffic control with a level of supervision appropriate to the conditions
- Explorers may, at the specific direction of an officer, assist with no-emergency and no-restricted duties (i.e. filling out forms as a scribe, broadcasting radio traffic, etc.)

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# **Nepotism and Conflicting Relationships**

## 1050.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure equal opportunity and effective employment practices by avoiding actual or perceived favoritism, discrimination, or actual or potential conflicts of interest by or between members of this department. These employment practices include: recruiting, testing, hiring, compensation, assignment, promotion, use of facilities, access to training opportunities, supervision, performance appraisal, purchasing and contracting, discipline and workplace safety and security.

## 1050.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Business relationship** - Serving as an employee, independent contractor, compensated consultant, owner, board member, shareholder or investor in an outside business, company, partnership, corporation, venture or other transaction where the Department employee's annual interest, compensation, investment or obligation is greater than \$250.

**Conflict of interest** - Any actual, perceived or potential conflict of interest in which it reasonably appears that a department employee's action, inaction, or decisions are or could be influenced by the employee's personal or business relationship (ORS 244.020).

**Nepotism -** The practice of showing favoritism to relatives in appointment, employment, promotion or advancement by any public official in a position to influence these personnel decisions.

**Personal relationship** €" Includes marriage, cohabitation, dating or any other intimate relationship beyond mere friendship.

**Public official -** Any person who is serving the State of Oregon, any of its political subdivisions or any other public body as defined in ORS 174.109 as an elected official, appointed official, employee or agent, irrespective of whether the person is compensated for the services (ORS 244.020).

**Relative -** The spouse of the member, any children of the member or of the member's spouse, and brothers, sisters, half-brothers, half-sisters, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, stepparents, stepchildren or parents of the member or of the member's spouse, or any individual for which the member has a legal support obligation (ORS 244.020).

**Subordinate** - An employee who is subject to the temporary or ongoing direct or indirect authority of a supervisor.

**Supervisor** - An employee who has temporary or ongoing direct or indirect authority over the actions, decisions, evaluation and/or performance of a subordinate employee.

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#### 1050.2 RESTRICTED DUTIES AND ASSIGNMENTS

The Department will not prohibit all personal or business relationships between employees. However, in order to avoid nepotism or other inappropriate conflicts, the following reasonable restrictions shall apply:

- (a) Employees are prohibited from directly supervising, occupying a position in the line of supervision or being directly supervised by any other employee who is a relative, who resides with the member or with whom they are involved in a personal or business relationship (ORS 244.179).
  - 1. If circumstances require that such a supervisor/subordinate relationship exist temporarily, the supervisor shall make every reasonable effort to defer matters pertaining to the involved employee to an uninvolved supervisor.
  - When personnel and circumstances permit, the Department will attempt to make every reasonable effort to avoid placing employees in such supervisor/ subordinate situations. The Department reserves the right to transfer or reassign any employee to another position within the same classification in order to avoid conflicts with any provision of this policy.
- (b) Employees are prohibited from participating in, contributing to, or recommending promotions, assignments, performance evaluations, transfers or other personnel decisions affecting an employee who is a relative or who resides with the member or with whom they are involved in a personal or business relationship (ORS 244.177).
- (c) Whenever possible, FTOs and other trainers will not be assigned to train relatives. FTOs and other trainers are prohibited from entering into or maintaining personal or business relationships with any employee they are assigned to train until such time as the training has been successfully completed and the employee is off probation.
- (d) To avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest, members of this department shall refrain from developing or maintaining personal or financial relationships with victims, witnesses or other individuals during the course of, or as a direct result of, any official contact.
- (e) Except as required in the performance of official duties or, in the case of immediate relatives, employees shall not develop or maintain personal or financial relationships with any individuals they know or reasonably should know are under criminal investigation, are convicted felons, parolees, fugitives, registered sex offenders or who engage in serious violations of state or federal laws.

## 1050.2.1 EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITY

Prior to entering into any personal or business relationship or other circumstance which the employee knows or reasonably should know could create a conflict of interest or other violation of this policy, the employee shall promptly notify his/her uninvolved, next highest level of supervisor.

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Whenever any employee is placed in circumstances that would require the employee to take enforcement action or provide official information or services to any relative, individual who resides with the member or individual with whom the employee is involved in a personal or business relationship, the employee shall promptly notify his/her uninvolved, immediate supervisor.

In the event that no uninvolved supervisor is immediately available, the employee shall promptly notify dispatch to have another uninvolved employee either relieve the involved employee or minimally remain present to witness the action.

## 1050.2.2 SUPERVISOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Upon being notified of, or otherwise becoming aware of any circumstance that could result in or constitute an actual or potential violation of this policy, a supervisor shall take all reasonable steps to promptly mitigate or avoid such violations whenever possible. Supervisors shall also promptly notify the Chief of Police of such actual or potential violations, through the chain of command.

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# **Employee Involved Domestic Violence**

## 1052.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish procedures for handling matters of domestic violence and abuse involving law enforcement employees. This policy applies to incidents involving any law enforcement employee regardless of his/her employing agency or jurisdiction.

## 1052.1.1 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department has a zero tolerance policy for domestic violence whether committed by a citizen or an employee. Where incidents of domestic violence occur, the Department will act quickly to protect the victim, arrest the perpetrator and conduct appropriate criminal and/or administrative investigations.

#### 1052.1.2 DEFINITIONS

**Domestic Violence, Abuse and Family Members** - are as defined in the Domestic Violence Policy in this manual.

**Employee** - means any person employed on a full-time or part-time basis by a law enforcement agency. It also includes any unpaid volunteer with enforcement authority, such as a reserve officer.

**Law Enforcement Agency** - means any federal, state, county, or local criminal justice agency employing persons having peace officer powers granted under authority of the Oregon Revised Statutes.

**Restraining Order** - Any court order restricting or prohibiting a person's contact with another person or persons, and/or restricting where and when a person may be at a location or time. Such an order may also result in restricting possession of firearms and ammunition. This includes, but is not limited to, restraining orders and protective orders.

## 1052.2 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to the Federal Domestic Violence Gun Control Act (18 USC § 921(a) and 18 USC § 922(d)), any person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor domestic violence offense is prohibited from possessing any firearm or ammunition. Additionally, any person convicted of a felony is prohibited from possessing a firearm (ORS 166.270).

Oregon and Federal law also prohibit firearm possession by any individual who is the subject of a domestic violence restraining order (this federal restriction does not apply to temporary restraining orders) (18 USC § 922(d)(8)) and ORS 107.718).

## 1052.2.1 REPORTING

Employees who are arrested for, or convicted of, any crime involving domestic violence, or who become the subject of a criminal investigation, or criminal or civil protective or restraining order related to domestic violence, regardless of jurisdiction, shall report that fact to their supervisor as required in the Reporting of Employee Convictions Policy at the earliest opportunity and provide notice of any scheduled court dates, times, appearances and proceedings.

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#### 1052.3 INCIDENT RESPONSE

All department personnel shall accept, document in writing, and preserve all calls, reports, telephone and radio tapes, including those made anonymously, involving possible employee domestic violence as "on-the-record" information. The information shall be forwarded to the Patrol Sergeant and respective employee's supervisor for appropriate investigative action.

Upon arrival at the scene of a domestic violence incident involving any department employee as the suspect or victim, the handling officer shall immediately notify Dispatch and request a supervisor be sent to the scene. If there is a question about whether an incident falls under this policy a supervisor shall be requested.

## 1052.3.1 ON-SCENE SUPERVISOR RESPONSE

A supervisor shall, whenever possible, report to the scene of all domestic violence incidents that occur within this jurisdiction where an Sweet Home Police Department employee, or any other law enforcement agency employee, is identified as a suspect or victim, regardless of the involved individual's agency jurisdiction. All the provisions of the department Domestic Violence policy shall be followed (see the Domestic Violence Policy).

- (a) The supervisor will ensure that a thorough investigation is conducted and all appropriate reports are forwarded to the District Attorney's Office.
- (b) Whenever a law enforcement employee domestic violence call does not result in an arrest, the on-scene supervisor shall submit a written report explaining any and all reasons why an arrest was not made or a warrant was not sought. When feasible, a sworn supervisor from this department will respond to the location of any domestic violence incident involving an employee of the Sweet Home Police Department which occurs in another jurisdiction to assist the responding agency and to take custody of any department weapons or other department equipment removed from the employee's possession.

## 1052.3.2 ARREST OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

- (a) Whenever a sworn employee of the Sweet Home Police Department is arrested, the supervisor shall relieve the accused of any department issued duty weapon(s).
- (b) The investigating officer or supervisor shall also request permission to take any other firearms on scene for safekeeping.
- (c) If the arrested employee is in uniform, he/she should be allowed to change to civilian clothes prior to transport to the jail, if feasible.
- (d) The transporting officer shall ensure that corrections personnel are notified of the person's employee status to ensure the safety of the employee while he/she is in custody.
- (e) Employees who are arrested shall be placed on administrative leave pending the disposition of criminal and administrative investigations.

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#### 1052.3.3 FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS

Any officer who is arrested, becomes a defendant, or is the respondent of a restraining or protective order that restricts or prevents the officer from possessing firearms, will not be allowed to possess firearms on or off-duty as directed by the order. Officers will immediately ensure that all firearms are removed from their residences, department lockers and all other locations where they would have actual or constructive possession of such items.

Officers who are prohibited from possessing firearms may be placed on administrative leave or assigned to a position involving no contact with the public or access to firearms.

## 1052.4 EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITY

- (a) Employees are encouraged to seek confidential assistance from department or city resources (e.g., Employee Assistance Program), or other qualified individuals or entities, to prevent a problem from escalating to the level of criminal conduct against a family or household member.
- (b) Employees with definitive knowledge of abuse and/or violence involving fellow employees must report such information in a timely manner to their supervisor.
- (c) If an employee becomes aware of possible witness or victim intimidation/coercion, he/ she shall prepare a written report and immediately deliver it to the investigator handling the case through the proper chain of command.
- (d) Employees may not engage in threatening, harassing, stalking, surveillance or other such behavior designed to interfere with cases against fellow employees or intimidate witnesses.
- (e) No employee shall solicit or be afforded any privileges or special considerations.
- (f) Employees who fail to cooperate with the investigation of a law enforcement employee domestic violence case will be subject to investigation and applicable administrative sanction and/or criminal charges.
- (g) An employee who falsely reports that a victim of law enforcement involved domestic violence has committed a crime (such as child abuse or neglect) will be subject to applicable administrative sanction and/or criminal charges.
- (h) An employee who becomes aware of another employee having difficulties which might lead to domestic violence should encourage him/her to get assistance.

## 1052.5 DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) Supervisors should be aware of on or off-duty behaviors that may be warning signs of domestic violence which may include, but are not be limited to:
  - 1. Stalking and inappropriate surveillance activities.
  - 2. Unusually high incidences of physical altercations, injuries, or verbal disputes.

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- 3. Alcohol and/or drug abuse.
- 4. Increase in controlling behaviors.
- 5. Citizen or fellow employee complaints of aggression.
- 6. Inappropriate aggression toward animals.
- (b) The Department, either in response to observed warning signs or at the request of an employee and/or their family or household member, shall provide non-punitive avenues of assistance to department members, their partners, and other family members as long as there is no probable cause to believe a crime has been committed.
- (c) Confidential referrals to counseling services in collaboration with existing community services that have specific expertise in domestic violence, including the department chaplain, will be made available to employees.
- (d) Employees who disclose to any member of the department that they have personally engaged in domestic violence are not entitled to confidentiality within the department. The report of such criminal conduct will be treated as an admission of a crime and shall be investigated both criminally and administratively.
- (e) The Department will make annual checks of every member's criminal history records, including but not limited to CCH, to determine if there are any entries for domestic violence arrests, convictions or restraining orders. Any such records found will be forwarded to the Chief of Police.
- (f) Any Department employee convicted of a domestic violence crime or found to have committed an act of domestic violence through an internal investigation may be subject to referrals, change in assignment and/or discipline up to and including termination.

## **1052.6 TRAINING**

The Department will provide training to employees regarding domestic violence and this policy and will collaborate with local and state agencies dealing with domestic violence in designing curriculum and providing training.

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## **Department Badges**

## 1054.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Sweet Home Police Department badge and uniform patch as well as the likeness of these items and the name of the Sweet Home Police Department are property of the Department and their use shall be restricted as set forth in this policy.

## 1054.2 POLICY

The uniform badge shall be issued to department members as a symbol of authority and the use and display of departmental badges shall be in strict compliance with this policy. Only authorized badges issued by this department shall be displayed, carried or worn by members while on duty or otherwise acting in an official or authorized capacity.

#### 1054.2.1 FLAT BADGE

Sworn officers, with the written approval of the Chief of Police may purchase, at his/her own expense, a flat badge capable of being carried in a wallet. The use of the flat badge is subject to all the same provisions of departmental policy as the uniform badge.

- (a) An officer may sell, exchange, or transfer the flat badge he/she purchased to another officer within the Sweet Home Police Department with the written approval of the Chief of Police.
- (b) Should the flat badge become lost, damaged, or otherwise removed from the officer's control, he/she shall make the proper notifications as outlined in the Policy Manual 700.
- (c) An honorably retired officer may keep his/her flat badge upon retirement.
- (d) The purchase, carrying or display of a flat badge is not authorized for non-sworn personnel.

## 1054.2.2 CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Badges and departmental identification cards issued to non-sworn personnel shall be clearly marked to reflect the position of the assigned employee (e.g. Dispatcher).

- (a) Civilian personnel shall not display any department badge except as a part of his/her uniform and while on duty, or otherwise acting in an official and authorized capacity.
- (b) Civilian personnel shall not display any department badge or represent him/herself, on or off duty, in such a manner which would cause a reasonable person to believe that he/she is a sworn peace officer.

## 1054.2.3 RETIREE UNIFORM BADGE

Upon honorable retirement employees may purchase his/her assigned duty badge for display purposes. It is intended that the duty badge be used only as private memorabilia as other uses of the badge may be unlawful or in violation of this policy.

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#### 1054.3 UNAUTHORIZED USE

Except as required for on-duty use by current employees, no badge designed for carry or display in a wallet, badge case or similar holder shall be issued to anyone other than a current or honorably retired peace officer.

Department badges are issued to all sworn employees and civilian uniformed employees for official use only. The department badge, shoulder patch or the likeness thereof, or the department name shall not be used for personal or private reasons including, but not limited to, letters, memoranda, and electronic communications such as electronic mail or web sites and web pages.

The use of the badge, uniform patch and department name for all material (printed matter, products or other items) developed for department use shall be subject to approval by the Chief of Police.

Employees shall not loan his/her department badge or identification card to others and shall not permit the badge or identification card to be reproduced or duplicated.

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# **Temporary Modified-Duty Assignments**

## 1056.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes procedures for providing temporary modified-duty assignments. This policy is not intended to affect the rights or benefits of employees under federal or state law, City rules, or current collective bargaining agreements or memorandums of understanding. For example, nothing in this policy affects the obligation of the Department to engage in a good faith, interactive process to consider reasonable accommodations for any employee with a temporary or permanent disability or limitation that is protected under federal or state law.

## 1056.2 POLICY

Subject to operational considerations, the Sweet Home Police Department may identify temporary modified-duty assignments for employees who have an injury or medical condition resulting in temporary work limitations or restrictions. A temporary assignment allows the employee to work, while providing the Department with a productive employee during the temporary period.

## 1056.3 GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

Priority consideration for temporary modified-duty assignments will be given to employees with work-related injuries or illnesses that are temporary in nature. Employees having disabilities covered under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or Oregon law shall be treated equally, without regard to any preference for a work-related injury.

No position in the Sweet Home Police Department shall be created or maintained as a temporary modified-duty assignment.

Temporary modified-duty assignments are a management prerogative and not an employee right. The availability of temporary modified-duty assignments will be determined on a case-by-case basis, consistent with the operational needs of the Department. Temporary modified-duty assignments are subject to continuous reassessment, with consideration given to operational needs and the employee's ability to perform in a modified-duty assignment.

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee may restrict employees working in temporary modified-duty assignments from wearing a uniform, displaying a badge, carrying a firearm, operating an emergency vehicle, or engaging in outside employment, or may otherwise limit them in employing their peace officer powers.

Temporary modified-duty assignments shall generally not exceed a cumulative total of 1,040 hours in any one-year period.

## 1056.4 PROCEDURE

Employees may request a temporary modified-duty assignment for short-term injuries or illnesses.

Employees seeking a temporary modified-duty assignment should submit a written request to their Division Commanders or the authorized designees. The request should, as applicable, include a certification from the treating medical professional containing:

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- (a) An assessment of the nature and probable duration of the illness or injury.
- (b) The prognosis for recovery.
- (c) The nature and scope of limitations and/or work restrictions.
- (d) A statement regarding any required workplace accommodations, mobility aids or medical devices.
- (e) A statement that the employee can safely perform the duties of the temporary modified-duty assignment.

The Division Commander will make a recommendation through the chain of command to the Chief of Police regarding temporary modified-duty assignments that may be available based on the needs of the Department and the limitations of the employee. The Chief of Police or the authorized designee shall confer with the Personnel Department or the City Attorney as appropriate.

Requests for a temporary modified-duty assignment of 20 hours or less per week may be approved and facilitated by the Patrol Sergeant or Division Commander, with notice to the Chief of Police.

#### 1056.5 ACCOUNTABILITY

Written notification of assignments, work schedules and any restrictions should be provided to employees assigned to temporary modified-duty assignments and their supervisors. Those assignments and schedules may be adjusted to accommodate department operations and the employee's medical appointments, as mutually agreed upon with the Division Commander.

## 1056.5.1 EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of employees assigned to temporary modified duty shall include, but not be limited to:

- (a) Communicating and coordinating any required medical and physical therapy appointments in advance with their supervisors.
- (b) Promptly notifying their supervisors of any change in restrictions or limitations after each appointment with their treating medical professionals.
- (c) Communicating a status update to their supervisors no less than once every 30 days while assigned to temporary modified duty.
- (d) Submitting a written status report to the Division Commander that contains a status update and anticipated date of return to full-duty when a temporary modified-duty assignment extends beyond 60 days.

## 1056.5.2 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The employee's immediate supervisor shall monitor and manage the work schedule of those assigned to temporary modified duty.

The responsibilities of supervisors shall include, but not be limited to:

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- (a) Periodically apprising the Division Commander of the status and performance of employees assigned to temporary modified duty.
- (b) Notifying the Division Commander and ensuring that the required documentation facilitating a return to full duty is received from the employee.
- (c) Ensuring that employees returning to full duty have completed any required training and certification.

#### 1056.6 MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

Prior to returning to full-duty status, employees shall be required to provide certification from their treating medical professionals stating that they are medically cleared to perform the essential functions of their jobs without restrictions or limitations.

The Department may require a fitness-for-duty examination prior to returning an employee to full-duty status, in accordance with the Fitness for Duty Policy.

### 1056.7 PREGNANCY

If an employee is temporarily unable to perform regular duties due to a pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition, the employee will be treated the same as any other temporarily disabled employee (42 USC § 2000e(k)). A pregnant employee shall not be involuntarily transferred to a temporary modified-duty assignment.

If notified by an employee or the employee's representative regarding limitations related to pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions, the Department should make reasonable efforts to provide an accommodation for the employee in accordance with federal and state law. The accommodation should be provided without unnecessary delay, as appropriate (42 USC § 2000gg-1; 29 CFR 1636.3; 29 CFR 1636.4; ORS 659A.146; ORS 659A.147).

## 1056.7.1 NOTIFICATION

Pregnant employees should notify their immediate supervisors as soon as practicable and provide a statement from their medical providers identifying any pregnancy-related job restrictions or limitations. If at any point during the pregnancy it becomes necessary for the employee to take a leave of absence, such leave shall be granted in accordance with the City's personnel rules and regulations regarding family and medical care leave.

## 1056.8 PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES

Probationary employees who are assigned to a temporary modified-duty assignment may have their probation extended by a period of time equal to their assignment to temporary modified duty.

## 1056.9 MAINTENANCE OF CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING

Employees assigned to temporary modified duty shall maintain all certification, training, and qualifications appropriate to both their regular and temporary duties, provided that the certification, training, or qualifications are not in conflict with any medical limitations or restrictions. Employees who are assigned to temporary modified duty shall inform their supervisors of any inability to maintain any certification, training, or qualifications.

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# **Employee Speech, Expression and Social Networking**

# 1060.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy is intended to address issues associated with employee use of social networking sites and to provide guidelines for the regulation and balancing of employee speech and expression with the needs of the Department (ORS 181A.689).

Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit or infringe upon any communication, speech, or expression that is protected or privileged under law. This includes speech and expression protected under state or federal constitutions as well as labor or other applicable laws. For example, this policy does not limit an employee from speaking as a private citizen, including acting as an authorized member of a recognized bargaining unit or officer associations, about matters of public concern, such as misconduct or corruption.

Employees are encouraged to consult with their supervisor regarding any questions arising from the application or potential application of this policy.

### 1060.1.1 APPLICABILITY

This policy applies to all forms of communication including but not limited to film, video, print media, public or private speech, use of all internet services, including the world wide web, email, file transfer, remote computer access, news services, social networking, social media, instant messaging, blogs, forums, video, and other file-sharing sites.

## 1060.2 POLICY

Public employees occupy a trusted position in the community, and thus, their statements have the potential to contravene the policies and performance of this department. Due to the nature of the work and influence associated with the law enforcement profession, it is necessary that employees of this department be subject to certain reasonable limitations on their speech and expression. To achieve its mission and efficiently provide service to the public, the Sweet Home Police Department will carefully balance the individual employee's rights against the department's needs and interests when exercising a reasonable degree of control over its employees' speech and expression.

## 1060.3 SAFETY

Employees should consider carefully the implications of their speech or any other form of expression when using the internet. Speech and expression that may negatively affect the safety of the Sweet Home Police Department employees, such as posting personal information in a public forum, can result in compromising an employee's home address or family ties. Employees should therefore not disseminate or post any information on any forum or medium that could reasonably be anticipated to compromise the safety of any employee, an employee's family, or associates. Examples of the type of information that could reasonably be expected to compromise safety include:

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- Disclosing a photograph and name or address of an officer who is working undercover.
- Disclosing the address of a fellow officer.
- Otherwise disclosing where another officer can be located off-duty.

## 1060.4 PROHIBITED SPEECH, EXPRESSION AND CONDUCT

To meet the department's safety, performance and public-trust needs, the following are prohibited unless the speech is otherwise protected (for example, an employee speaking as a private citizen, including acting as an authorized member of a recognized bargaining unit or officer associations, on a matter of public concern):

- (a) Speech or expression made pursuant to an official duty that tends to compromise or damage the mission, function, reputation or professionalism of the Sweet Home Police Department or its employees.
- (b) Speech or expression that, while not made pursuant to an official duty, is significantly linked to, or related to, the Sweet Home Police Department and tends to compromise or damage the mission, function, reputation or professionalism of the Sweet Home Police Department or its employees. Examples may include:
  - 1. Statements that indicate disregard for the law or the state or U.S. Constitution.
  - 2. Expression that demonstrates support for criminal activity.
  - 3. Participating in sexually explicit photographs or videos for compensation or distribution.
- (c) Speech or expression that could reasonably be foreseen as having a negative impact on the credibility of the employee as a witness. For example, posting statements or expressions to a website that glorify or endorse dishonesty, unlawful discrimination or illegal behavior.
- (d) Speech or expression of any form that could reasonably be foreseen as having a negative impact on the safety of the employees of the Department. For example, a statement on a blog that provides specific details as to how and when prisoner transportations are made could reasonably be foreseen as potentially jeopardizing employees by informing criminals of details that could facilitate an escape or attempted escape.
- (e) Speech or expression that is contrary to the canons of the Criminal Justice Code of Ethics as adopted by the Sweet Home Police Department.
- (f) Use or disclosure, through whatever means, of any information, photograph, video or other recording obtained or accessible as a result of employment with the Department for financial or personal gain, or any disclosure of such materials without the express authorization of the Chief of Police or the authorized designee (or any other act that would constitute a misuse of public information in violation of ORS 162.425).

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- (g) Posting, transmitting or disseminating any photographs, video or audio recordings, likenesses or images of department logos, emblems, uniforms, badges, patches, marked vehicles, equipment or other material that specifically identifies the Sweet Home Police Department on any personal or social networking or other website or web page, without the express authorization of the Chief of Police.
- (h) Accessing websites for non-authorized purposes, or use of any personal communication device, game device or media device, whether personally or department-owned, for personal purposes while on-duty, except in the following circumstances:
  - 1. When brief personal communications may be warranted by the circumstances (e.g., inform family of extended hours).
  - During authorized breaks; such usage should be limited as much as practicable to areas out of sight and sound of the public and shall not be disruptive to the work environment.

Employees must take reasonable and prompt action to remove any content, including content posted by others, that is in violation of this policy from any web page or website maintained by the employee (e.g., social or personal website).

## 1060.4.1 UNAUTHORIZED ENDORSEMENTS AND ADVERTISEMENTS

While employees are not restricted from engaging in the following activities as private citizens or as authorized members of a recognized bargaining unit or officer associations, employees may not represent the Sweet Home Police Department or identify themselves in any way that could be reasonably perceived as representing the Sweet Home Police Department in order to do any of the following, unless specifically authorized by the Chief of Police:

- (a) Endorse, support, oppose, or contradict any appointment, nomination, or election of a person to public office (ORS 260.432).
- (b) Endorse, support, oppose, or contradict any initiative, recall petition, or referendum (ORS 260.432).
- (c) Endorse, support, oppose, or contradict any social issue, cause, or religion.
- (d) Endorse, support, or oppose any product, service, company, or other commercial entity.
- (e) Appear in any commercial, social, or nonprofit publication or any motion picture, film, video, public broadcast, or on any website.

Additionally, when it can reasonably be construed that an employee, acting in an individual capacity or through an outside group or organization (e.g., bargaining group), is affiliated with this department, the employee shall give a specific disclaiming statement that any such speech or expression is not representative of the Sweet Home Police Department.

A notice of restrictions on political activities by employees will be posted and maintained by the Department in a place that is conspicuous to all employees as required by law (ORS 260.432).

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# Employee Speech, Expression and Social Networking

Employees retain their right to vote as they choose, to support candidates of their choice, and to express their opinions as private citizens, including as authorized members of a recognized bargaining unit or officer associations, on political subjects and candidates at all times while off-duty. However, employees may not use their official authority or influence to interfere with or affect the result of an election or a nomination for office. Employees are also prohibited from directly or indirectly using their official authority to coerce, command, or advise another employee to pay, lend, or contribute anything of value to a party, committee, organization, agency, or person for political purposes (5 USC § 1502).

#### 1060.5 PRIVACY EXPECTATION

Members forfeit any expectation of privacy with regard to emails, texts, or anything published or maintained through file-sharing software or any internet site (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter) that is accessed, transmitted, received, or reviewed on any department technology system (see the Information Technology Use Policy for additional guidance).

### 1060.6 CONSIDERATIONS

In determining whether to grant authorization of any speech or conduct that is prohibited under this policy, the factors that the Chief of Police or authorized designee should consider include:

- (a) Whether the speech or conduct would negatively affect the efficiency of delivering public services.
- (b) Whether the speech or conduct would be contrary to the good order of the Department or the efficiency or morale of its members.
- (c) Whether the speech or conduct would reflect unfavorably upon the Department.
- (d) Whether the speech or conduct would negatively affect the member's appearance of impartiality in the performance of his/her duties.
- (e) Whether similar speech or conduct has been previously authorized.
- (f) Whether the speech or conduct may be protected and outweighs any interest of the Department.

## **1060.7 TRAINING**

Subject to available resources, the Department should provide training regarding employee speech and the use of social networking to all members of the Department.

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# **Police Cadets**

## 1061.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Cadets work under direct supervision, perform a variety of routine and progressively more advanced tasks in an apprenticeship program in preparation for a career in law enforcement.

## 1061.2 EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Cadets are required to maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.0 ("C" grade) for all courses taken. Cadets shall complete six semester units of college course work per semester and senior cadets shall complete 12 units per semester.

### 1061.3 PROGRAM COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police will select an Officer to serve as the Program Coordinator. The Program Coordinatorr will be responsible for tracking the educational and job performance of cadets as well as making their individual assignments throughout the Department. He/she will also monitor the training provided for all cadets and review all decisions affecting job assignments, status for compensation, school attendance and performance evaluations.

### 1061.3.1 PROGRAM ADVISORS

The Program Coordinator may select individual officers to serve as advisors for the Cadet Program. These officers will serve as mentors for each cadet. Cadets will bring special requests, concerns, and suggestions to their program advisor for advice or direction before contacting the Program Coordinator. One advisor may be designated as the Coordinator's assistant to lead scheduled meetings and training sessions involving the cadets. Multiple cadets may be assigned to each program advisor. Program advisors are not intended to circumvent the established chain of command. Any issues that may be a concern should be referred back to the Program Coordinator who will then, if appropriate confer with the Chief of Police.

#### 1061.4 ORIENTATION AND TRAINING

Newly appointed explorers will receive an orientation of the organization and facilities before reporting to their first assignment. On-the-job training will be conducted in compliance with the Cadet Training Manual. Training sessions will be scheduled as needed to train cadets for as many assignments as possible. In addition to job-specific training, information will be offered to prepare cadets to compete successfully in the police officer selection process, as well as the academy training. All training will focus on improving job performance, as well as preparation to become police officers. These meetings will also offer an opportunity to receive continuous feedback regarding progress of the program.

### 1061.5 CADET UNIFORMS

Each cadet will be provided two uniforms meeting the specifications described in the Uniform Manual for civilian employees.

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#### 1061.6 ROTATION OF ASSIGNMENTS

Rotating job assignments should occur on a regular basis to enhance the career development for each cadet. Department needs and concerns will take precedence over individual considerations with the final decision resting with the Training Division Manager.

In general, senior cadets will be assigned to positions requiring more technical skill or responsibility, as well as serving to train cadets for new assignments or those newly hired.

### 1061.7 RIDE-ALONG PROCEDURES

All cadets are authorized to participate in the Ride-Along Program on their own time and as approved by their immediate supervisor and the appropriate Patrol Sergeant. Applicable waivers must be signed in advance of the ride-along. Cadets shall wear their uniform while participating on a ride-along.

### 1061.8 PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS

Performance evaluations for all cadets shall be completed monthly during their first year on probation. Upon successful completion of probation, cadets and senior cadets will be evaluated on a yearly basis to assess their current job performance and their potential as police officers.

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# **Illness and Injury Prevention**

## 1062.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish an ongoing and effective plan to reduce the incidence of illness and injury for members of the Sweet Home Police Department, in accordance with the requirements of the Oregon Safe Employment Act (OAR 437-001-0001 et seq.).

This policy specifically applies to illness and injury that results in lost time or that requires medical treatment beyond first aid. Although this policy provides the essential guidelines for a plan that reduces illness and injury, it may be supplemented by procedures outside the Policy Manual.

This policy does not supersede, but supplements any related City wide safety efforts.

### 1062.2 POLICY

The Sweet Home Police Department is committed to providing a safe environment for its members and visitors and to minimizing the incidence of work-related illness and injuries. The Department will establish and maintain an Illness and Injury Prevention program and will provide tools, training and safeguards designed to reduce the potential for accidents, illness and injuries. It is the intent of the Department to comply with all laws and regulations related to occupational safety.

## 1062.3 ILLNESS AND INJURY PREVENTION PLAN

The Administrative Services Division Commander is responsible for developing an illness and injury prevention plan that shall include:

- (a) Workplace safety and health training programs.
- (b) Regularly scheduled safety meetings.
- (c) Posted or distributed safety information.
- (d) A system for members to anonymously inform management about workplace hazards.
- (e) Establishment of a safety and health committee that will (OAR 437-001-0765):
  - 1. Meet monthly.
  - 2. Prepare a written record of safety and health committee meetings.
  - 3. Establish procedures for conducting workplace safety and health inspections.
  - 4. Conduct quarterly workplace inspections.
  - 5. Review the results of periodic scheduled inspections.
  - 6. Review investigations of accidents and exposures.
  - 7. Make suggestions to command staff for the prevention of future incidents.
  - 8. Review investigations of alleged hazardous conditions.
  - 9. Submit recommendations to assist in the evaluation of member safety suggestions.

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- 10. Assess the effectiveness of efforts made by the Department to meet applicable standards (OAR 437-001-0001 et seq.).
- (f) Establishing a process to ensure work-related fatalities and hospitalizations are reported as required by Oregon Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Notification is required within eight hours after the death of any member, and within 24 hours of an inpatient hospitalization of one or more members, an amputation, an avulsion that results in bone loss, or a loss of an eye as a result of a work-related incident (OR-OSHA) (29 CFR 1904.39; OAR 437-001-0704).
- (g) Establishing a process that an OR-OSHA annual summary of work-related injuries and illnesses is completed and posted in a conspicuous location where notices to all members are customarily posted in compliance with the Oregon Safe Employment Act (OAR 437-001-0700(17)).

#### 1062.3.1 SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Sweet Home Police Department maintains a safety committee to communicate and evaluate safety and/or health issues that may affect members and to promote safety and health in the work environment. The safety committee should include full-time and volunteer members, as applicable. Members of the Sweet Home Police Department shall notify the safety committee of unsafe work practices, equipment or environments as soon as practicable (OAR 437-001-0765).

Each time the safety committee meets, the committee chairperson or the authorized designee shall prepare a written record of the meeting that includes (OAR 437-001-0765):

- (a) The names of all attendees.
- (b) The date of the meeting.
- (c) All safety and health issues discussed at the meeting, including tools, equipment, work environment and work practice hazards.
- (d) The recommendations for corrective action, if made, and a reasonable date by which to comply with the recommendation.
- (e) The individual responsible for follow-up on any recommended corrective actions.
- (f) All reports, evaluations and recommendations made by the committee.

### 1062.4 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIVISION COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of the Administrative Services Division Commander include but are not limited to:

- (a) Managing and implementing a plan to reduce the incidence of member illness and injury.
- (b) Ensuring that a system of communication is in place that facilitates a continuous flow of safety and health information between supervisors and members. This system shall include:
  - 1. New member orientation that includes a discussion of safety and health policies and procedures.

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- 2. Regular member review of the illness and injury prevention plan.
- (c) Ensuring that all safety and health policies and procedures are clearly communicated and understood by all members.
- (d) Taking reasonable steps to ensure that all members comply with safety rules in order to maintain a safe work environment. This includes but is not limited to:
  - 1. Informing members of the illness and injury prevention guidelines.
  - 2. Recognizing members who perform safe work practices.
  - 3. Ensuring that the member evaluation process includes member safety performance.
  - 4. Ensuring department compliance to meet standards regarding the following:
    - (a) Communicable diseases (29 CFR 1910.1030; OAR 437-002-0360)
    - (b) Personal protective equipment (PPE) (OAR 437-002-0134)
    - (c) Fire Prevention Plan (OAR 437-002-0043)
    - (d) Respiratory protection (29 CFR 1910.134; OAR 437-002-0120)
    - (e) Exit and exit routes (OAR 437-002-0041)
    - (f) Emergency Action Plan (OAR 437-002-0042)
    - (g) Walking-Working surfaces (29 CFR 1910.21 et seg.; OAR 437-002-0020)
- (e) Making available a form to document inspections, unsafe conditions or work practices, and actions taken to correct unsafe conditions and work practices.
- (f) Making available a form to document individual incidents or accidents.
- (g) Making available a form to document the safety and health training of each member. This form will include the member's name or other identifier, training dates, type of training, and training providers.
- (h) Conducting and documenting a regular review of the illness and injury prevention plan.

## 1062.5 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

Supervisor responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Ensuring member compliance with illness and injury prevention guidelines and answering questions from members about this policy.
- (b) Training, counseling, instructing or making informal verbal admonishments any time safety performance is deficient. Supervisors may also initiate discipline when it is reasonable and appropriate under the Standards of Conduct Policy.
- (c) Establishing and maintaining communication with members on health and safety issues. This is essential for an injury-free, productive workplace.
- (d) Completing required forms and reports relating to illness and injury prevention; such forms and reports shall be submitted to the Administrative Services Division Commander.

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- (e) Notifying the Administrative Services Division Commander when:
  - 1. New substances, processes, procedures or equipment that present potential new hazards are introduced into the work environment.
  - 2. New, previously unidentified hazards are recognized.
  - 3. Occupational illnesses and injuries occur.
  - New and/or permanent or intermittent members are hired or reassigned to processes, operations or tasks for which a hazard evaluation has not been previously conducted.
  - 5. Workplace conditions warrant an inspection.

### **1062.6 HAZARDS**

All members should report and/or take reasonable steps to correct unsafe or unhealthy work conditions, practices or procedures in a timely manner. Members should make their reports to a supervisor (as a general rule, their own supervisors).

Supervisors should make reasonable efforts to correct unsafe or unhealthy work conditions in a timely manner, based on the severity of the hazard. These hazards should be corrected when observed or discovered, when it is reasonable to do so. When a hazard exists that cannot be immediately abated without endangering members or property, supervisors should protect or remove all exposed members from the area or item, except those necessary to correct the existing condition.

Members who are necessary to correct the hazardous condition shall be provided with the necessary protection.

All significant actions taken and dates they are completed shall be documented on the appropriate form. This form should be forwarded to the Administrative Services Division Commander via the chain of command.

The Administrative Services Division Commander will take appropriate action to ensure the illness and injury prevention plan addresses potential hazards upon such notification.

### 1062.7 INSPECTIONS

Safety inspections are crucial to a safe work environment. These inspections identify and evaluate workplace hazards and permit mitigation of those hazards. A hazard assessment checklist should be used for documentation and to ensure a thorough assessment of the work environment.

The Administrative Services Division Commander shall ensure that the appropriate documentation is completed for each inspection.

#### 1062.7.1 EQUIPMENT

Members are charged with daily vehicle inspections of their assigned vehicles and of their PPE prior to working in the field. Members shall complete the appropriate form if an unsafe condition cannot be immediately corrected. Members should forward this form to their supervisors.

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## 1062.8 INVESTIGATIONS

Any member sustaining any work-related illness or injury, as well as any member who is involved in any accident or hazardous substance exposure while on-duty shall report such event as soon as practicable to a supervisor. Members observing or learning of a potentially hazardous condition are to promptly report the condition to their immediate supervisors.

A supervisor receiving such a report should personally investigate the incident or ensure that an investigation is conducted. Investigative procedures for workplace accidents and hazardous substance exposures should include:

- (a) A visit to the accident scene as soon as possible.
- (b) An interview of the injured member and witnesses.
- (c) An examination of the workplace for factors associated with the accident/exposure.
- (d) Determination of the cause of the accident/exposure.
- (e) Corrective action to prevent the accident/exposure from reoccurring.
- (f) Documentation of the findings and corrective actions taken.

Additionally, the supervisor should proceed with the steps to report an on-duty injury, as required under the Occupational Disease and Work-Related Injury Reporting Policy, in conjunction with this investigation to avoid duplication and ensure timely reporting.

#### **1062.9 TRAINING**

The Administrative Services Division Commander should work with the Training Sergeant to provide all members, including supervisors, with training on general and job-specific workplace safety and health practices. Training shall be provided:

- (a) To supervisors to familiarize them with the safety and health hazards to which members under their immediate direction and control may be exposed.
- (b) To all members with respect to hazards specific to each member's job assignment.
- (c) To all members given new job assignments for which training has not previously been provided.
- (d) Whenever new substances, processes, procedures or equipment are introduced to the workplace and represent a new hazard.
- (e) Whenever the Department is made aware of a new or previously unrecognized hazard.

## 1062.9.1 TRAINING TOPICS

The Training Sergeant shall ensure that training includes:

- (a) Reporting unsafe conditions, work practices and injuries, and informing a supervisor when additional instruction is needed.
- (b) Use of appropriate clothing, including gloves and footwear.
- (c) Use of respiratory equipment.
- (d) Availability of toilet, hand-washing and drinking-water facilities.

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- (e) Provisions for medical services and first aid.
- (f) Handling of bloodborne pathogens and other biological hazards.
- (g) Prevention of heat and cold stress.
- (h) Identification and handling of hazardous materials, including chemical hazards to which members could be exposed, and review of resources for identifying and mitigating hazards (e.g., hazard labels, Safety Data Sheets (SDS)).
- (i) Mitigation of physical hazards, such as heat and cold stress, noise, and ionizing and non-ionizing radiation.
- (j) Identification and mitigation of ergonomic hazards, including working on ladders or in a stooped posture for prolonged periods.
- (k) Back exercises/stretches and proper lifting techniques.
- (I) Avoidance of slips and falls.
- (m) Good housekeeping and fire prevention.
- (n) Other job-specific safety concerns.

### 1062.10 RECORDS

Records and training documentation relating to illness and injury prevention will be maintained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

Safety committee notes shall be kept for a minimum of three years (OAR 437-001-0765).

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# **Line-of-Duty Deaths**

## 1063.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance to members of the Sweet Home Police Department in the event of the death of a member occurring in the line of duty and to direct the Department in providing proper support for the member's survivors.

The Chief of Police may also apply some or all of this policy for a non-line-of-duty member death, or in situations where members are injured in the line of duty and the injuries are life-threatening.

## 1063.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Line-of-duty death** - The death of an officer during the course of performing law enforcement-related functions while on- or off-duty, or a civilian member during the course of performing assigned duties.

For an officer, a line-of-duty death includes death that is the direct and proximate result of a personal injury sustained in the line of duty (34 USC § 10281).

**Survivors** - Immediate family members of the deceased member, which can include spouse, children, parents, other next of kin, or significant others. The determination of who should be considered a survivor for purposes of this policy should be made on a case-by-case basis given the individual's relationship with the member and whether the individual was previously designated by the deceased member.

## 1063.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to make appropriate notifications and to provide assistance and support to survivors and coworkers of a member who dies in the line of duty.

It is also the policy of this department to respect the requests of the survivors when they conflict with these guidelines, as appropriate.

#### 1063.3 INITIAL ACTIONS BY COMMAND STAFF

- (a) Upon learning of a line-of-duty death, the deceased member's supervisor should provide all reasonably available information to the Patrol Sergeant and Dispatch.
  - Communication of information concerning the member and the incident should be restricted to secure networks to avoid interception by the media or others (see the Public Information Officer section of this policy).
- (b) The Patrol Sergeant should ensure that notifications are made in accordance with the Officer-Involved Shootings and Deaths and Major Incident Notification policies as applicable.

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- (c) If the member has been transported to the hospital, the Patrol Sergeant or the authorized designee should respond to the hospital to assume temporary responsibilities as the Hospital Liaison.
- (d) The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should assign members to handle survivor notifications and assign members to the roles of Hospital Liaison (to relieve the temporary Hospital Liaison) and the Department Liaison as soon as practicable (see the Notifying Survivors section and the Department Liaison and Hospital Liaison subsections in this policy).

## 1063.4 NOTIFYING SURVIVORS

Survivors should be notified as soon as possible in order to avoid the survivors hearing about the incident in other ways.

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should review the deceased member's emergency contact information and make accommodations to respect the member's wishes and instructions specific to notifying survivors. However, notification should not be excessively delayed because of attempts to assemble a notification team in accordance with the member's wishes.

The Chief of Police, Patrol Sergeant or the authorized designee should select at least two members to conduct notification of survivors, one of which may be the Department chaplain.

Notifying members should:

- (a) Make notifications in a direct and compassionate manner, communicating as many facts of the incident as possible, including the current location of the member. Information that is not verified should not be provided until an investigation has been completed.
- (b) Determine the method of notifying surviving children by consulting with other survivors and taking into account factors such as the child's age, maturity, and current location (e.g., small children at home, children in school).
- (c) Plan for concerns such as known health concerns of survivors or language barriers.
- (d) Offer to transport survivors to the hospital, if appropriate. Survivors should be transported in department vehicles. Notifying members shall inform the Hospital Liaison over a secure network that the survivors are on their way to the hospital. Notifying members should remain at the hospital while the survivors are present.
- (e) When survivors are not at their residences or known places of employment, actively seek information and follow leads from neighbors, other law enforcement, postal authorities, and other sources of information in order to accomplish notification in as timely a fashion as possible. Notifying members shall not disclose the reason for their contact other than a family emergency.
- (f) If making notification at a survivor's workplace, ask a workplace supervisor for the use of a quiet, private room to meet with the survivor. Members shall not inform the workplace supervisor of the purpose of their visit other than to indicate that it is a family emergency.

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- (g) Offer to call other survivors, friends, or clergy to support the survivors and to avoid leaving survivors alone after notification.
- (h) Assist the survivors with meeting child care or other immediate needs.
- (i) Provide other assistance to survivors and take reasonable measures to accommodate their needs, wishes, and desires. Care should be taken not to make promises or commitments to survivors that cannot be met.
- (j) Inform the survivors of the name and phone number of the Survivor Support Liaison (see the Survivor Support Liaison section of this policy), if known, and the Department Liaison.
- (k) Provide their contact information to the survivors before departing.
- (I) Document the survivors' names and contact information, as well as the time and location of notification. This information should be forwarded to the Department Liaison.
- (m) Inform the Chief of Police or the authorized designee once survivor notifications have been made so that other Sweet Home Police Department members may be apprised that survivor notifications are complete.

#### 1063.4.1 OUT-OF-AREA NOTIFICATIONS

The Department Liaison should request assistance from law enforcement agencies in appropriate jurisdictions for in-person notification to survivors who are out of the area.

- (a) The Department Liaison should contact the appropriate jurisdiction using a secure network and provide the assisting agency with the name and telephone number of the department member that the survivors can call for more information following the notification by the assisting agency.
- (b) The Department Liaison may assist in making transportation arrangements for the member's survivors, but will not obligate the Department to pay travel expenses without the authorization of the Chief of Police.

## 1063.5 NOTIFYING DEPARTMENT MEMBERS

Supervisors or members designated by the Chief of Police are responsible for notifying department members of the line-of-duty death as soon as possible after the survivor notification is made. Notifications and related information should be communicated in person or using secure networks and should not be transmitted over the radio.

Notifications should be made in person and as promptly as possible to all members on-duty at the time of the incident. Members reporting for subsequent shifts within a short amount of time should be notified in person at the beginning of their shifts. Members reporting for duty from their residences should be instructed to contact their supervisors as soon as practicable. Those members who are working later shifts or are on days off should be notified by phone as soon as practicable.

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Members having a close bond with the deceased member should be notified of the incident in person. Supervisors should consider assistance (e.g., peer support, modifying work schedules, approving sick leave) for members who are especially affected by the incident.

Supervisors should direct members not to disclose any information outside the Department regarding the deceased member or the incident.

#### 1063.6 LIAISONS AND COORDINATORS

The Chief of Police or the authorized designee should select members to serve as liaisons and coordinators to handle responsibilities related to a line-of-duty death, including but not limited to:

- (a) Department Liaison.
- (b) Hospital Liaison.
- (c) Survivor Support Liaison.
- (d) Wellness Support Liaison.
- (e) Funeral Liaison.
- (f) Mutual aid coordinator.
- (g) Benefits Liaison.
- (h) Finance coordinator.

Liaisons and coordinators will be directed by the Department Liaison and should be given sufficient duty time to complete their assignments.

Members may be assigned responsibilities of more than one liaison or coordinator position depending on available department resources. The Department Liaison may assign separate liaisons and coordinators to accommodate multiple family units, if needed. The Department should consider seeking assistance from surrounding law enforcement agencies to fill liaison and coordinator positions, as appropriate.

## 1063.6.1 DEPARTMENT LIAISON

The Department Liaison should be a Division Commander or of sufficient rank to effectively coordinate department resources, and should serve as a facilitator between the deceased member's survivors and the Department. The Department Liaison reports directly to the Chief of Police. The Department Liaison's responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- (a) Directing the other liaisons and coordinators in fulfilling survivors' needs and requests. Consideration should be given to organizing the effort using the National Incident Management System.
- (b) Establishing contact with survivors within 24 hours of the incident and providing them contact information.
- (c) Advising survivors of the other liaison and coordinator positions and their roles and responsibilities.

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- (d) Identifying locations that will accommodate a law enforcement funeral and presenting the options to the appropriate survivors, who will select the location.
- (e) Coordinating all official law enforcement notifications and arrangements.
- (f) Making necessary contacts for authorization to display flags at half-staff.
- (g) Reminding department members of appropriate information-sharing restrictions regarding the release of information that could undermine future legal proceedings.
- (h) Coordinating security checks of the member's residence as necessary and reasonable.
- (i) Serving as a liaison with visiting law enforcement agencies during memorial and funeral services.

## 1063.6.2 HOSPITAL LIAISON

The Hospital Liaison should work with hospital personnel to:

- (a) Establish a command post or incident command system, as appropriate, to facilitate management of the situation and its impact on hospital operations (e.g., influx of people, parking).
- (b) Arrange for appropriate and separate waiting areas for:
  - 1. The survivors and others whose presence is requested by the survivors.
  - 2. Department members and friends of the deceased member.
  - 3. Media personnel.
- (c) Ensure, as practicable, that any suspects who are in the hospital and their families or friends are not in proximity to the member's survivors or Sweet Home Police Department members (except for members who may be guarding a suspect).
- (d) Arrange for survivors to receive timely updates regarding the member before information is released to others.
- (e) Arrange for survivors to have private time with the member, if requested.
  - 1. The Hospital Liaison or hospital personnel may need to explain the condition of the member to the survivors to prepare them accordingly.
  - 2. The Hospital Liaison should accompany the survivors into the room, if requested.
- (f) Stay with survivors and provide them with other assistance as needed at the hospital.
- (g) If applicable, explain to the survivors why an autopsy may be needed.
- (h) Make arrangements for hospital bills to be directed to the Department, that the survivors are not asked to sign as guarantor of payment for any hospital treatment, and that the member's residence address, insurance information, and next of kin are not included on hospital paperwork.

Other responsibilities of the Hospital Liaison include but are not limited to:

Arranging transportation for the survivors back to their residence.

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- Working with investigators to gather and preserve the deceased member's equipment and other items that may be of evidentiary value.
- Documenting their actions at the conclusion of duties.

#### 1063.6.3 SURVIVOR SUPPORT LIAISON

The Survivor Support Liaison should work with the Department Liaison to fulfill the immediate needs and requests of the survivors of any member who has died in the line of duty, and serve as the long-term department contact for survivors.

The Survivor Support Liaison should be selected by the deceased member's Division Commander. The following should be considered when selecting the Survivor Support Liaison:

- The liaison should be an individual the survivors know and with whom they are comfortable working.
- The selection may be made from names recommended by the deceased member's supervisor and/or coworkers. The deceased member's partner or close friends may not be the best selections for this assignment because the emotional connection to the member or survivors may impair their ability to conduct adequate liaison duties.
- The liaison must be willing to assume the assignment with an understanding of the emotional and time demands involved.

The responsibilities of the Survivor Support Liaison include but are not limited to:

- (a) Arranging for transportation of survivors to hospitals, places of worship, funeral homes, and other locations, as appropriate.
- (b) Communicating with the Department Liaison regarding appropriate security measures for the family residence, as needed.
- (c) If requested by the survivors, providing assistance with instituting methods of screening telephone calls made to their residence after the incident.
- (d) Providing assistance with travel and lodging arrangements for out-of-town survivors.
- (e) Returning the deceased member's personal effects from the Department and the hospital to the survivors. The following should be considered when returning the personal effects:
  - Items should not be delivered to the survivors until they are ready to receive the items.
  - 2. Items not retained as evidence should be delivered in a clean, unmarked box.
  - 3. All clothing not retained as evidence should be cleaned and made presentable (e.g., items should be free of blood or other signs of the incident).
  - 4. The return of some personal effects may be delayed due to ongoing investigations.
- (f) Assisting with the return of department-issued equipment that may be at the deceased member's residence.

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- 1. Unless there are safety concerns, the return of the equipment should take place after the funeral at a time and in a manner considerate of the survivors' wishes.
- (g) Working with the Wellness Support Liaison for survivors to have access to available counseling services.
- (h) Coordinating with the department's Public Information Officer (PIO) to brief the survivors on pending press releases related to the incident and to assist the survivors with media relations in accordance with their wishes (see the Public Information Officer section of this policy).
- (i) Briefing survivors on investigative processes related to the line-of-duty death, such as criminal, internal, and administrative investigations.
- (j) Informing survivors of any related criminal proceedings and accompanying them to such proceedings.
- (k) Introducing survivors to prosecutors, victim's assistance personnel, and other involved personnel as appropriate.
- (I) Maintaining long-term contact with survivors and taking measures to sustain a supportive relationship (e.g., follow-up visits, phone calls, cards on special occasions, special support during holidays).
- (m) Inviting survivors to department activities, memorial services (e.g., as applicable, the Annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial), or other functions as appropriate.

Survivor Support Liaisons providing services after an incident resulting in multiple members being killed should coordinate with and support each other through conference calls or meetings as necessary.

The Department recognizes that the duties of a Survivor Support Liaison will often affect regular assignments over many years, and is committed to supporting members in the assignment.

If needed, the Survivor Support Liaison should be issued a personal communication device (PCD) owned by the Department to facilitate communications necessary to the assignment. The department-issued PCD shall be used in accordance with the Personal Communication Devices Policy.

## 1063.6.4 WELLNESS SUPPORT LIAISON

The Wellness Support Liaison should work with the department wellness coordinator or the authorized designee and other liaisons and coordinators to make wellness support and counseling services available to members and survivors who are impacted by a line-of-duty death. The responsibilities of the Wellness Support Liaison include but are not limited to:

- (a) Identifying members who are likely to be significantly affected by the incident and may have an increased need for wellness support and counseling services, including:
  - 1. Members involved in the incident.
  - Members who witnessed the incident.

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- 3. Members who worked closely with the deceased member but were not involved in the incident.
- (b) Making arrangements for members who were involved in or witnessed the incident to be relieved of department responsibilities until they can receive wellness support.
- (c) Making wellness support and counseling resources (e.g., peer support, Critical Incident Stress Debriefing) available to members as soon as reasonably practicable following the line-of-duty death.
- (d) Coordinating with the Survivor Support Liaison to inform survivors of available wellness support and counseling services and assisting with arrangements as needed.
- (e) Following up with members and the Survivor Support Liaison in the months following the incident to determine if additional wellness support or counseling services are needed.

## 1063.6.5 FUNERAL LIAISON

The Funeral Liaison should work with the Department Liaison, Survivor Support Liaison, and survivors to coordinate funeral arrangements to the extent the survivors wish. The Funeral Liaison's responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- (a) Assisting survivors in working with the funeral director regarding funeral arrangements and briefing them on law enforcement funeral procedures.
- (b) Completing funeral notification to other law enforcement agencies.
- (c) Coordinating the funeral activities of the Department, including but not limited to the following:
  - 1. Honor Guard
    - (a) Casket watch
    - (b) Color guard
    - (c) Pallbearers
    - (d) Bell/rifle salute
  - 2. Bagpipers/bugler
  - 3. Uniform for burial
  - 4. Flag presentation
  - Last radio call
- (d) Briefing the Chief of Police and command staff concerning funeral arrangements.
- (e) Assigning an officer to remain at the family home during the viewing and funeral.
- (f) Arranging for transportation of the survivors to and from the funeral home and interment site using department vehicles and drivers.
- (g) Addressing event-related logistical matters (e.g., parking, visitor overflow, public assembly areas).

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#### 1063.6.6 MUTUAL AID COORDINATOR

The mutual aid coordinator should work with the Department Liaison and the Funeral Liaison to request and coordinate any assistance from outside law enforcement agencies needed for, but not limited to:

- (a) Traffic control during the deceased member's funeral.
- (b) Area coverage so that as many Sweet Home Police Department members can attend funeral services as possible.

The mutual aid coordinator should perform duties in accordance with the Outside Agency Assistance Policy.

Where practicable, the Chief of Police should appoint a mutual aid coordinator to identify external resources in advance of any need (e.g., regional honor guard teams, county- or state-wide resources).

#### 1063.6.7 BENEFITS LIAISON

The Benefits Liaison should provide survivors with information concerning available benefits and will assist them in applying for benefits. Responsibilities of the Benefits Liaison include but are not limited to:

- (a) Confirming the filing of workers' compensation claims and related paperwork (see the Occupational Disease and Work-Related Injury Reporting Policy).
- (b) Researching and assisting survivors with application for federal government survivor benefits, such as those offered through the following:
  - 1. Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program, including financial assistance available through the Public Safety Officers' Educational Assistance (PSOEA) Program, as applicable (34 USC § 10281 et seq.).
  - 2. Social Security Administration.
  - Department of Veterans Affairs.
- (c) Researching and assisting survivors with application for state and local government survivor benefits.
  - 1. Public Safety Memorial Fund (ORS 243.950 et seq.)
  - 2. Education benefit (ORS 348.270)
  - 3. Life insurance (ORS 243.025)
  - Death benefit (ORS 238.395; ORS 238A.230)
- (d) Researching and assisting survivors with application for other survivor benefits such as:
  - 1. Private foundation survivor benefits programs.
  - 2. Survivor scholarship programs.
- (e) Researching and informing survivors of support programs sponsored by police associations and other organizations.

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- (f) Documenting and informing survivors of inquiries and interest regarding public donations to the survivors.
  - 1. If requested, working with the finance coordinator to assist survivors with establishing a process for the receipt of public donations.
- (g) Providing survivors with a summary of the nature and amount of benefits applied for, including the name of a contact person at each benefit office. Printed copies of the summary and benefit application documentation should be provided to affected survivors.
- (h) Maintaining contact with the survivors and assisting with subsequent benefit questions and processes as needed.

## 1063.6.8 FINANCE COORDINATOR

The finance coordinator should work with the Chief of Police and the Department Liaison to manage financial matters related to the line-of-duty death. The finance coordinator's responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Establishing methods for purchasing and monitoring costs related to the incident.
- (b) Providing information on finance-related issues, such as:
  - 1. Paying survivors' travel costs if authorized.
  - 2. Transportation costs for the deceased.
  - 3. Funeral and memorial costs.
  - 4. Related funding or accounting questions and issues.
- (c) Working with the Benefits Liaison to establish a process for the receipt of public donations to the deceased member's survivors.
- (d) Providing accounting and cost information as needed.

## 1063.7 PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

In the event of a line-of-duty death, the department's PIO should be the department's contact point for the media. As such, the PIO should coordinate with the Department Liaison to:

- (a) Collect and maintain the most current incident information and determine what information should be released.
- (b) Instruct department members to direct any media inquiries to the PIO.
- (c) Prepare necessary press releases.
  - 1. Coordinate with other entities having media roles (e.g., outside agencies involved in the investigation or incident).
  - 2. Disseminate important public information, such as information on how the public can show support for the Department and deceased member's survivors.
- (d) Arrange for community and media briefings by the Chief of Police or the authorized designee as appropriate.
- (e) Respond, or coordinate the response, to media inquiries.

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- (f) If requested, assist the member's survivors with media inquiries.
  - 1. Brief the survivors on handling sensitive issues such as the types of questions that reasonably could jeopardize future legal proceedings.
- (g) Release information regarding memorial services and funeral arrangements to department members, other agencies, and the media as appropriate.
- (h) If desired by the survivors, arrange for the recording of memorial and funeral services via photos and/or video.

The identity of deceased members should be withheld until the member's survivors have been notified. If the media have obtained identifying information for the deceased member prior to survivor notification, the PIO should request that the media withhold the information from release until proper notification can be made to survivors. The PIO should notify media when survivor notifications have been made.

#### 1063.8 DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN

The Department chaplain may serve a significant role in line-of-duty deaths. Chaplain duties may include but are not limited to:

- Assisting with survivor notifications and assisting the survivors with counseling, emotional support, or other matters, as appropriate.
- Assisting liaisons and coordinators with their assignments, as appropriate.
- Assisting department members with counseling or emotional support, as requested and appropriate.

Further information on the potential roles and responsibilities of the chaplain is in the Chaplains Policy.

### 1063.9 INVESTIGATION OF THE INCIDENT

The Chief of Police should make necessary assignments to conduct thorough investigations of any line-of-duty death and may choose to use the investigation process outlined in the Officer-Involved Shootings and Deaths Policy.

Investigators from other agencies may be assigned to work on any criminal investigation related to line-of-duty deaths. Partners, close friends, or personnel who worked closely with the deceased member should not have any investigative responsibilities because such relationships may impair the objectivity required for an impartial investigation of the incident.

Involved department members should be kept informed of the progress of the investigations and provide investigators with any information that may be pertinent to the investigations.

## 1063.10 LINE-OF-DUTY DEATH OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT ANIMAL

The Chief of Police may authorize appropriate memorial and funeral services for law enforcement animals killed in the line of duty.

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The Chief of Police may authorize certain support services for the death of a member not occurring in the line of duty.

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# **Wellness Program**

## 1064.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance on establishing and maintaining a proactive wellness program for department members (ORS 181A.487).

The wellness program is intended to be a holistic approach to a member's well-being and encompasses aspects such as physical fitness, mental health, and overall wellness.

Additional information on member wellness is provided in the:

- Chaplains Policy.
- Line-of-Duty Deaths Policy.
- Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace Policy.

#### 1064.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**Critical incident** – An event or situation that may cause a strong emotional, cognitive, or physical reaction that has the potential to interfere with daily life.

**Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD)** – A standardized approach using a discussion format to provide education, support, and emotional release opportunities for members involved in work-related critical incidents.

**Peer support** – Mental and emotional wellness support provided by peers trained to help members cope with critical incidents and certain personal or professional problems.

#### 1064.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sweet Home Police Department to prioritize member wellness to foster fitness for duty and support a healthy quality of life for department members. The Department will maintain a wellness program that supports its members with proactive wellness resources, critical incident response, and follow-up support.

## 1064.3 WELLNESS COORDINATOR

The Chief of Police should appoint a trained wellness coordinator. The coordinator should report directly to the Chief of Police or the authorized designee and should collaborate with advisers (e.g., Personnel Department, legal counsel, licensed psychotherapist, qualified health professionals), as appropriate, to fulfill the responsibilities of the position, including but not limited to:

- (a) Identifying wellness support providers (e.g., licensed psychotherapists, external peer support providers, physical therapists, dietitians, physical fitness trainers holding accredited certifications).
  - 1. As appropriate, selected providers should be trained and experienced in providing mental wellness support and counseling to public safety personnel.

- 2. When practicable, the Department should not use the same licensed psychotherapist for both member wellness support and fitness for duty evaluations.
- (b) Developing management and operational procedures for department peer support members, such as:
  - 1. Peer support member selection and retention.
  - 2. Training and applicable certification requirements.
  - 3. Deployment.
  - 4. Managing potential conflicts between peer support members and those seeking service.
  - 5. Monitoring and mitigating peer support member emotional fatigue (i.e., compassion fatigue) associated with providing peer support.
  - 6. Using qualified peer support personnel from other public safety agencies or outside organizations for department peer support, as appropriate.
- (c) Verifying members have reasonable access to peer support or licensed psychotherapist support.
- (d) Establishing procedures for CISDs, including:
  - 1. Defining the types of incidents that may initiate debriefings.
  - 2. Steps for organizing debriefings.
- (e) Facilitating the delivery of wellness information, training, and support through various methods appropriate for the situation (e.g., phone hotlines, electronic applications).
- (f) Verifying a confidential, appropriate, and timely Employee Assistance Program (EAP) is available for members. This also includes:
  - 1. Obtaining a written description of the program services.
  - 2. Providing for the methods to obtain program services.
  - 3. Providing referrals to the EAP for appropriate diagnosis, treatment, and follow-up resources.
  - 4. Obtaining written procedures and guidelines for referrals to, or mandatory participation in, the program.
  - 5. Obtaining training for supervisors in their role and responsibilities, and identification of member behaviors that would indicate the existence of member concerns, problems, or issues that could impact member job performance.
- (g) Assisting members who have become disabled with application for federal government benefits such as those offered through the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program (34 USC § 10281 et seq.).
  - 1. The coordinator should work with appropriate Department liaisons to assist qualified members and survivors with benefits, wellness support, and counseling

services, as applicable, when there has been a member death (see the Line-of-Duty Deaths Policy for additional guidance).

#### 1064.4 DEPARTMENT PEER SUPPORT

### 1064.4.1 PEER SUPPORT MEMBER SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection of a department peer support member will be at the discretion of the coordinator. Selection should be based on the member's:

- Desire to be a peer support member.
- Experience or tenure.
- Demonstrated ability as a positive role model.
- Ability to communicate and interact effectively.
- Evaluation by supervisors and any current peer support members.

#### 1064.4.2 PEER SUPPORT MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

The responsibilities of department peer support members include:

- (a) Providing pre- and post-critical incident support.
- (b) Presenting department members with periodic training on wellness topics, including but not limited to:
  - 1. Stress management.
  - 2. Suicide prevention.
  - 3. How to access support resources.
- (c) Providing referrals to licensed psychotherapists and other resources, where appropriate.
  - 1. Referrals should be made to department-designated resources in situations that are beyond the scope of the peer support member's training.

#### 1064.4.3 PEER SUPPORT MEMBER TRAINING

A department peer support member shall complete department-approved training prior to being assigned (ORS 181A.835).

### 1064.5 CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS DEBRIEFINGS

A Critical Incident Stress Debriefing should occur as soon as practicable following a critical incident. The coordinator is responsible for organizing the debriefing. Notes and recorded statements shall not be taken because the sole purpose of the debriefing is to help mitigate the stress-related effects of a critical incident.

The debriefing is not part of any investigative process. Care should be taken not to release or repeat any communication made during a debriefing unless otherwise authorized by policy, law, or a valid court order.

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Attendance at the debriefing should only include peer support members and those directly involved in the incident.

#### 1064.6 PEER SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS

Any communications made by a member or peer support member in a peer support counseling session and any oral or written information conveyed in the session are confidential and may only be disclosed in accordance with ORS 181A.835.

Any communications relating to a peer support counseling session made between peer support members or between peer support members and the supervisors or staff of an employee assistance program are confidential and may only be disclosed in accordance with ORS 181A.835.

All communications, notes, records, and reports arising out of a peer support counseling session are not considered public records subject to disclosure under ORS 192.311 et seq. (ORS 181A.835).

#### 1064.7 PHYSICAL WELLNESS PROGRAM

The coordinator is responsible for establishing guidelines for an on-duty physical wellness program, including to following:

- (a) Voluntary participation by members
- (b) Allowable physical fitness activities
- (c) Permitted times and locations for physical fitness activities
- (d) Acceptable use of department-provided physical fitness facilities and equipment
- (e) Individual health screening and fitness assessment
- (f) Individual education (e.g., nutrition, sleep habits, proper exercise, injury prevention) and goal-setting
- (g) Standards for physical fitness incentive programs. The coordinator should collaborate with the appropriate entities (e.g., human resources, legal counsel) to verify that any standards are nondiscriminatory.
- (h) Maintenance of physical wellness logs (e.g., attendance, goals, standards, progress)
- (i) Ongoing support and evaluation

### 1064.8 WELLNESS PROGRAM AUDIT

At least annually, the coordinator or the authorized designee should audit the effectiveness of the department's wellness program and prepare a report summarizing the findings. The report shall not contain the names of members participating in the wellness program, and should include the following information:

- Data on the types of support services provided
- Wait times for support services
- Participant feedback, if available

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- Program improvement recommendations
- Policy revision recommendations

The coordinator should present the completed audit to the Chief of Police for review and consideration of updates to improve program effectiveness.

### **1064.9 TRAINING**

The coordinator or the authorized designee should collaborate with the Training Sergeant to provide all members with regular education and training on topics related to member physical and mental health and wellness, including but not limited to:

- The availability and range of department wellness support systems.
- Suicide prevention.
- Recognizing and managing mental distress, emotional fatigue, post-traumatic stress, and other possible reactions to trauma.
- Alcohol and substance disorder awareness.
- Countering sleep deprivation and physical fatigue.
- Anger management.
- Marriage and family wellness.
- Benefits of physical exercise and proper nutrition.
- Effective time and personal financial management skills.

Training materials, curriculum, and attendance records should be forwarded to the Training Sergeant as appropriate for inclusion in training records.

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