Chapter 17

PATROL

17.1 COMMUNICATION, COORDINATION & COOPERATION

A written directive establishes procedures for communication, coordination, and cooperation between patrol shifts and between patrol and other components of the agency.

Communication between shifts, ex:. Supervisor's Shift Report

17.2 PATROL SHIFTS

A written directive establishes the procedures to be used in assigning officers to patrol shifts, and specifies the applicable criteria and frequency of rotation therein.

Shift Schedule

17.3 PATROL SCHEDULES

A written directive establishes the procedures for determining days off for patrol officers and first line patrol supervisors.

Shift Schedule

17.4 ON-SCENE SUPERVISOR

A written directive describes the circumstances requiring the on-scene presence of a patrol supervisor for the purposes of assuming command.

17.5 INVESTIGATIONS

A written directive prescribes the categories of crimes and incidents wherein patrol officers are responsible for conduct of preliminary investigation and/or follow up investigation.

17.6 FIELD INTERVIEWS

A written directive governs the use and conduct of field interviews.

- Call Sheet or radio log report
- Copy of FIR

17.7 INFORMANTS

A written directive establishes procedures for the use of informants by patrol officers.

Copy of documentation

17.8 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A written directive establishes procedures for radio communications to and from patrol officers and specifies those circumstances requiring such communication by patrol officers.

Verification of Mobile radios in cruisers & portable radios to every officer

17.9 K-9 UNITS

If police K-9 units are utilized, the agency controls and governs such utilization by written directive.

17.10 EMERGENCY CALL COVERAGE

Law enforcement response to emergencies is available 24 hours per day, every day of the week, within the agency's service area.

17.11 EYE WITNESS IDENTIFICATION-LINE/SHOW-UP

A written directive describes the procedures for using line/show-ups in eyewitness identification to include the following:

- A. Compelling reasons under which a show-up may occur;
- B. Manner of transportation to the show-up;
- C. Situations where more than one eye witness is available;
- D. Instructing witnesses prior to viewing show-up;
- E. Identifying the level of confidence expressed by the witness;
- F. Prohibiting feedback by the administrator; and
- G. Documenting show-up and the results.

17.12 RECORDING POLICE ACTIVITY

A written directive establishes guidelines for reacting to and interacting with individuals' s who are using an audio/video recording device to take sound and/or pictures of department employees and/or police activity.