

## RESOLUTION 2022-010

# APPROVING SHERWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICY UPDATES – FEBRUARY 2022

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Sherwood Municipal Code 2.36.030(B)(1), the Sherwood Police Advisory Board will review all police policy amendments and make a recommendation to the Sherwood City Council; and

**WHEREAS,** in accordance with Sherwood Municipal Code 2.36.030(B)(2), the Sherwood City Council will review the police policy amendments, and the recommendation by the Sherwood Police Advisory Board, and approve the amendments by resolution; and

**WHEREAS,** the February 2022 police policy amendments contain updates to legislative passages and language improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sherwood Police Advisory Board did review the February 2022 police policy amendments during their regular meeting on January 20th, 2022 and recommends approval by the Sherwood City Council; and

**WHEREAS,** Sherwood Police Chief has reviewed all the February 2022 updates and recommends the Sherwood City Council approve them; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sherwood City Council recognizes the need to maintain a current and legally sound police policy manual and approves the February 2022 police policy updates.

# NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF SHERWOOD RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** The City Council approves the February 2022 updates to the Sherwood Police Policy Manual attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective upon its approval and adoption.

Duly passed by the City Council this 15th of February, 2022.

Keith Mays, Mayor

Attest:

Sylvia Murphy, MMC, City Recorder

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# Standards of Conduct

# 323.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes standards of conduct that are consistent with the values and mission of the City of Sherwood Police Department and are expected of all agency 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 agency or a member's supervisors.

# 323.2 POLICY

The continued employment or appointment of every member of the City of Sherwood 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.

# 323.3 DIRECTIVES AND ORDERS

Members shall comply with lawful directives and orders from any agency supervisor or person in a position of authority, absent a reasonable and bona fide justification.

# 323.3.1 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 agency 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, agency 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.

#### 323.3.2 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.

### 323.4 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. All members have an absolute duty to report misconduct they witness or become aware of, and failure to report may be grounds for discipline.

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.

### 323.4.1 DUTY TO INTERVENE AND REPORT MISCONDUCT

An officer who observes another officer engaging in misconduct shall intervene to prevent or stop the conduct unless the officer cannot intervene safely. An officer who witnesses such conduct shall report the misconduct to a supervisor as soon as practicable, but not later than 72 hours after witnessing the misconduct (2020 Oregon Laws, c.5, § 2).

Failure to intervene or report the misconduct is grounds for discipline by the Agency or suspension or revocation of the officers certification by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training (2020 Oregon Laws, c.5, § 2).

Misconduct means (2020 Oregon Laws, c.5, § 2):

- (a) Unjustified or excessive force that is objectively unreasonable under the circumstances or in violation of the agency 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.
- (e) A violation of the minimum standards for physical, emotional, intellectual, and moral fitness for public safety personnel under ORS 181A.410.

### 323.5 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 agency service.

323.5.1 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 agency or City manuals.
- (b) Disobedience of any legal directive or order issued by any agency member of a higher rank.
- (c) Violation of federal, state, local or administrative laws, rules or regulations.
- (d) Failure to intervene and/or report misconduct by another member.
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  - (a) Using or disclosing one's status as a member of the City of Sherwood Police Department in any way that could reasonably be perceived as an attempt to gain influence or authority for non-agency 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 agency 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.

#### 323.5.3 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

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.

#### 323.5.4 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 agency.
- (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 agency.

#### 323.5.5 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.

#### 323.5.6 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 agency.
- (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 agency for personal or financial gain or without the express authorization of the Police Chief or the authorized designee.
- (d) Loaning, selling, allowing unauthorized use, giving away, or appropriating any agency property for personal use, personal gain, or any other improper or unauthorized use or purpose.

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(e) Using agency resources in association with any portion of an independent civil action. These resources include but are not limited to personnel, vehicles, equipment, and non-subpoenaed records.

#### 323.5.7 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 Agency within 24 hours of any change in residence address or contact numbers.
- (f) Failure to notify the Department of Human Resources of changes in relevant personal information (e.g., information associated with benefits determination) in a timely fashion.

#### 323.5.8 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 agency 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 agency--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 agency or its members.
- (e) Disparaging remarks or conduct concerning duly constituted authority to the extent that such conduct disrupts the efficiency of this agency or subverts the good order, efficiency and discipline of this agency 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 agency premises.

- 2. At any work site, while on--duty or while in uniform, or while using any agency equipment or system.
- 3. 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:
  - 1. 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 agency property except as expressly authorized by City policy, the collective bargaining agreement, or the Police Chief.
- (h) Engaging in political activities during assigned working hours except as expressly authorized by City policy, the collective bargaining agreement, or the Police Chief.
- (i) Any act on- or off--duty that brings discredit to this agency.

#### 323.5.9 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 agency 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 agency.
- (i) Unauthorized possession of, loss of, or damage to agency property or the property of others, or endangering it through carelessness or maliciousness.
- (j) Attempted or actual theft of agency property; misappropriation or misuse of public funds, property, personnel or the services or property of others; unauthorized removal or possession of agency property or the property of another person.

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- (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.
- 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 Police Chief of such action.
- (m) Any other on-- or off--duty conduct which any member knows or reasonably should know is unbecoming a member of this agency, is contrary to good order, efficiency or morale, or tends to reflect unfavorably upon this agency or its members.

#### 323.5.10 SAFETY

- (a) Failure to observe or violating agency 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 in any event within 24 hours.

#### 323.5.11 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.



# Information Technology Use

# 324.1 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.

# 324.1.1 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 City of Sherwood 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.

# 324.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the City of Sherwood 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.

# 324.3 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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Employees may not be asked for or required to provide their username, password or other means of authentication that provides access to their personal social media accounts unless otherwise allowed under ORS 659A.330.

#### 324.4 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 Shift Supervisors.

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.

#### 324.4.1 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 Police Chief 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.

#### 324.4.2 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.

# 324.4.3 INTERNET USE

Internet access provided by or through the Department shall be strictly limited to departmentrelated 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 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.

# 324.4.4 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.

# 324.5 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.

### 324.6 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.



# **Contacts and Temporary Detentions**

# 416.1 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.

### 416.1.1 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.

### 416.2 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 City of Sherwood Police Department to strengthen community involvement, community awareness, and problem identification.

## 416.2.1 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.

# 416.3 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.

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.

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### 416.4 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.

#### 416.4.1 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.

#### 416.4.2 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.

### 416.4.3 DISPOSITION OF PHOTOGRAPHS

All detainee photographs must be adequately labeled and submitted to the Shift Supervisor 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 Shift Supervisor 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 Shift Supervisor 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 Section.

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 of the case file. All other photographs shall be retained in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

### 416.4.4 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.

#### 416.5 POLICY

The City of Sherwood 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.

#### 416.6 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.
  - 2. 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 agency 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.



# Medical Marijuana

# 422.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide members of this agency with guidelines for investigating the acquisition, possession, transportation, delivery, production, or use of marijuana under Oregon's medical marijuana laws (ORS 475B.785 et seq.).

This policy is not intended to address laws and regulations related to recreational use of marijuana.

# 422.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

**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 physician; 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 475B.791; ORS 475B.807; ORS 475B.801).

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).

Mature marijuana plant - A marijuana plant that has flowers (ORS 475B.791).

**Medical use of marijuana** - The production, processing, possession, delivery, distribution, or administration of marijuana, or use of paraphernalia used to administer marijuana to mitigate the symptoms or effects of a debilitating medical condition (ORS 475B.791). The RIC may also identify a person applying to produce marijuana or designate another person to produce marijuana under ORS 475B.810.

**Patient** - A person who has been diagnosed with a debilitating medical condition within the previous 12 months and been advised by his/her attending physician that the medical use of marijuana may mitigate the symptoms or effects of that debilitating medical condition (ORS 475B.913). This includes a person who has been issued a valid RIC for his/her medical condition (ORS 475B.797).

**Registry Identification Card (RIC)** - A document issued by the Oregon Health Authority under ORS 475B.797 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 475B.804, the person's designated primary caregiver (ORS 475B.791). The RIC may also identify a person applying to produce marijuana or designate another person to produce marijuana under ORS 475B.810.

Statutory possession and grow site amounts - Amounts authorized by ORS 475B.831 and ORS 475B.834.

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 475B.791).

# 422.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the City of Sherwood 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 475B.785). 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 City of Sherwood 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 Agency.

### 422.3 INVESTIGATION

Investigations involving the possession, delivery, production, or use of marijuana generally fall into one of several categories:

- Investigations when no person makes a medicinal claim. (a)
- (b) Investigations related to patient cardholders.
- (C) Investigations related to patient non-cardholders.

### 422.3.1 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.

### 422.3.2 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 amounts or statutory grow site amounts (ORS 475B.907).

Cardholders are required to possess a 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 475B.837). However, officers should treat a person without a RIC in his/her possession as if it were in his/ her possession if the RIC can be verified through an Oregon State Police Law Enforcement Data Systems (LEDS) query or other sources.

### 422.3.3 INVESTIGATIONS RELATED TO PATIENT NON-CARDHOLDERS

Officers should not take enforcement action against a patient who does not have a RIC for possession or production of marijuana, or any other criminal offense in which possession or production of marijuana is an element, if the patient meets all of the following (ORS 475B.913):

- (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 quantities or below statutory grow site quantities; and the person's medical use claim appears genuine under the circumstances (ORS 475B.913).

### 422.3.4 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 475B.810):
  - 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 475B.831).
- (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.
- 4. Any other relevant factors exist, such as limited available agency 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 475B.831; ORS 475B.136).
- (e) Registration or proof of registration under ORS 475B.785 to ORS 475B.949 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 475B.922).
- (f) As a licensing authority, the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission may assist with related questions regarding recreational marijuana (ORS 475B.070).

#### 422.3.5 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 475B.910):

- (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, or 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 475B.010 to ORS 475B.545), 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 475B.429).

### 422.3.6 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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#### 422.4 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.

#### 422.5 PROPERTY AND EVIDENCE SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The Property and Evidence supervisor shall ensure that marijuana, drug paraphernalia, or other related property seized from a person engaged or assisting in the use of medical marijuana is not destroyed, harmed, neglected, or injured. The Property and Evidence supervisor is not responsible for caring for live marijuana plants (ORS 475B.922).

Marijuana should not be returned to any person unless authorized by the Investigation Unit supervisor and upon advice of city counsel. Any court order to return marijuana should be referred to city counsel.

The Property and Evidence supervisor may release marijuana to federal law enforcement authorities upon presentation of a valid court order or by a written order of the Investigation Unit supervisor.



# **Foot Pursuits**

# 423.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines to assist officers in making the decision to initiate or continue the pursuit of suspects on foot.

# 423.2 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.

#### 423.3 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.
- (0) The officer's ability to safely continue the foot pursuit is impaired by inclement weather, darkness or other environmental conditions.

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#### 423.4 RESPONSIBILITIES IN FOOT PURSUITS

#### 423.4.1 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 his/her 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 media aid as needed for officers, suspects or members of the public.

#### 423.4.2 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.

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## 423.4.3 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, 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.

#### 423.4.4 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 Shift Supervisor as soon as practicable.
- (g) Assigning an incident number and logging all pursuit activities.

#### 423.5 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.

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.

#### 423.6 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.



# **Medical Aid and Response**

# 404.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy recognizes that members often encounter persons who appear to be in need of medical aid and establishes a law enforcement response to such situations.

# 404.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Sherwood Police Department that all officers and other designated members be trained to provide emergency medical aid and to facilitate an emergency medical response.

# 404.3 FIRST RESPONDING MEMBER RESPONSIBILITIES

Whenever practicable, members should take appropriate steps to provide initial medical aid (e.g., first aid, CPR and 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 WCCCA 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 WCCCA 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:
- 1. 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 or symptoms of excited delirium or other agitated chaotic behavior.

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.

# 404.4 TRANSPORTING ILL AND INJURED PERSONS

Except in extraordinary 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.

#### 404.5 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 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 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.

#### 404.6 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.

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.

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# 404.7 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.

### 404.7.1 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 Coordinator 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 WCCCA as soon as possible and request response by EMS.

#### 404.7.2 AED REPORTING

Any member using an AED will complete an incident report detailing its use.

#### 404.7.3 AED TRAINING AND MAINTENANCE

The Training Coordinator should ensure appropriate training is provided to members authorized to use an AED.

The Training Coordinator is responsible for ensuring AED devices are appropriately maintained and will retain records of all maintenance in accordance with the established records retention schedule.

### 404.8 ADMINISTRATION OF OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION

The Sherwood Police Department is a partner agency with the Washington County Sheriff Office's county-wide Law Enforcement Naloxone Program, in an effort to address deaths and brain injury that result from opioid overdoses. This program and associated training is under the direct supervision of the Washington County EMS Medical Director and the Public Health Officer for Washington County.

This program's implementation protocols, training, supply and re-supply is in accordance with the guidance and protocols established by the Oregon Health Authority and ORS 689.681.

The Washington County Westside Interagency Narcotic Team (WIN) lieutenant will be the coordinator for all agencies participating in the Naloxone Program.

Each patrol vehicle, including Traffic and School Resource Officers, will be equipped with one Naloxone kit (2 doses). If equipped with an AED, the kits will be attached to the AED. If not so equipped, the Naloxone kit will be in the vehicle's first aid bag. Only members who possess a current and valid certification may administer opioid overdose medication in accordance with protocol specified by the physician who prescribed the overdose medication for use by the member (OAR 333-055-0110; OAR 333-055-0115).

#### 404.8.1 OPIOD OVERDOSE MEDICATION USER RESPONSIBILITIES

Members should check the medication and associated administration equipment at the beginning of their shift to ensure they are serviceable and not expired. Any medication that is expired, or due to expire within six (6) months of expiration or unserviceable administration equipment should be removed from service and given to the Patrol Captain for replacement.

The Patrol Captain, or their designee, will return the medication(s) or equipment needing replacement to the Washington County Sheriff Office - Equipment Room Coordinator and obtain replacement dosage(s) from the, and insure they are put back into the proper vehicle.

#### 404.8.2 OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION REPORTING

Any member administering opioid overdose medication should detail its use in a police report and complete the Naloxone Deployment Report (Attachment A). Written Naloxone reports will be routed to the Patrol Captain.

The Patrol Captain, or their designee, will send the Deployment Report to the Washington County Sheriff Office - WIN team lieutenant and obtain replacement dosage(s) from the Washington County Sheriff Equipment Room Coordinator, and insure they are put back into the proper vehicle.

The WIN Team lieutenant will be responsible storage and replacing Naloxone kits for participating agencies. WIN will also be responsible for regular mandated reporting of Naloxone deployments to the Washington County EMS Medical Director for all participating agencies.

#### 404.8.3 OPIOID OVERDOSE MEDICATION TRAINING

The Training Coordinator should ensure training and retraining is provided to members authorized to administer opioid overdose medication. Training shall be coordinated with the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division (OAR 333-055-0110).

The Training Division will maintain records of every member who has been trained in Naloxone deployment and provide these records to the WIN lieutenant. These records will need to be maintained for four (4) years. The Training Division will also issue and keep a copy of Completion of Naloxone Training Certificates for each member trained, (Attachment B).



# **Records Section**

# 802.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes the guidelines for the operational functions of the City of Sherwood Police Department Records Section. The policy addresses agency file access and internal requests for case reports.

# 802.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the City of Sherwood Police Department to maintain agency records securely, professionally, and efficiently.

# 802.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

### 802.3.1 SUPPORT CAPTAIN

The Police Chief shall appoint and delegate certain responsibilities to a Support Captain. The Support Captain shall be directly responsible to the Administration Section Commander or the authorized designee.

The responsibilities of the Support Captain include but are not limited to:

- (a) Overseeing the efficient and effective operation of the Records Section.
- (b) Scheduling and maintaining Records Section time records.
- (c) Supervising, training, and evaluating Records Section staff.
- (d) Maintaining and updating a Records Section procedure manual.
- (e) Ensuring compliance with established policies and procedures.
- (f) Supervising the access, use, and release of protected information (see the Protected Information Policy).
- (g) Establishing security and access protocols for case reports designated as sensitive, where additional restrictions to access have been implemented. Sensitive reports may include but are not limited to:
  - 1. Homicides
  - 2. Cases involving agency members or public officials
  - 3. Any case where restricted access is prudent
- (h) Ensure that information is entered into the Oregon State Police Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) from court orders received as required by Oregon law.

#### 802.3.2 RECORDS SECTION

The responsibilities of the Records Section include but are not limited to:

(a) Maintaining a records management system for case reports.

- 1. The records management system should include a process for numbering, identifying, tracking, and retrieving case reports.
- (b) Entering case report information into the records management system.
  - 1. Modification of case reports shall only be made when authorized by a supervisor.
- (c) Providing members of the Agency with access to case reports when needed for investigation or court proceedings.
- (d) Maintaining compliance with federal, state, and local regulations regarding reporting requirements of crime statistics.
- (e) Maintaining compliance with federal, state, and local regulations regarding criminal history reports and auditing.
- (f) Identifying missing case reports and notifying the responsible member's supervisor.
- (g) Maintaining records of reports received from OSP of persons who are prohibited from possessing firearms attempting to purchase or otherwise procure them, and of the actions taken by the Agency in response to those reports. Information and outcome of the actions taken by the Agency shall be provided to OSP on or before Jan. 31 of each year as required by ORS 166.412 and ORS 166.436.
- (h) Maintaining compliance with the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission reporting requirements regarding the number of U visa and T visa certifications requested, granted, and denied by the Agency (2019 Oregon Laws, c.472, § 2).

### 802.4 FILE ACCESS AND SECURITY

The security of files in the Records Section must be a high priority and shall be maintained as mandated by state or federal law. All case reports including but not limited to initial, supplemental, follow-up, evidence and any other reports related to a police agency case, including field interview (FI) cards, criminal history records, and publicly accessible logs, shall be maintained in a secure area within the Records Section, and accessible only by authorized members of the Records Section. Access to case reports or files when Records Section staff is not available may be obtained through the Shift Supervisor.

The Records Section will also maintain a secure file for case reports deemed by the Police Chief as sensitive or otherwise requiring extraordinary access restrictions.

### 802.4.1 ORIGINAL CASE REPORTS

Generally, original case reports shall not be removed from the Records Section. Should an original case report be needed for any reason, the requesting agency member shall first obtain authorization from the Records Section. All original case reports removed from the Records Section shall be recorded on a designated report check-out log, which shall be the only authorized manner by which an original case report may be removed from the Records Section.

All original case reports to be removed from the Records Section shall be photocopied and the photocopy retained in the file location of the original case report until the original is returned to

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the Records Section. The photocopied report shall be shredded upon return of the original report to the file.

#### 802.5 CONFIDENTIALITY

Records Section staff has access to information that may be confidential or sensitive in nature. Records Section 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 Section procedure manual.

#### 802.6 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 Section personnel to enter such information into the City of Sherwood 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).

### 802.7 LAW ENFORCEMENT DATA SYSTEM (LEDS) VALIDATION

#### 802.7.1 VEHICLE / VEHICLE PARTS VALIDATIONS

Upon receipt of a Vehicle / Vehicle Parts Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

Once the files are pulled, they are checked for accurate contact information, i.e. telephone numbers and addresses. If no current phone numbers are available then a letter is sent to the registered owner. If the letter is returned unclaimed or no response is received within the allotted time allowed (15 days from date of letter), the vehicle may be cleared from LEDS/NCIC.

If an insurance company has paid the owner for the stolen vehicle, said insurance company is to be contacted. It is necessary to keep insurance information current and accurate. If the phone numbers listed for the insurance company have been disconnected or are no longer in service and/ or letters have been returned as undeliverable and/or no response from the insurance company has been received within the allotted 15-day period, the entries into LEDS/NCIC may be cancelled.

Once the above process has been completed on each entry for a particular file, all documentation pertaining to the Validation process is placed in the original file and the file is returned to the appropriate permanent file storage.

A working copy is defined as the copy of the case kept in records upon entry of the stolen information into LEDS.

#### 802.7.2 GUNS VALIDATIONS

Upon receipt of a Guns Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

Once the files are pulled, they are checked for accurate contact information, i.e. telephone numbers and addresses. If no current phone numbers are available then a letter is sent to the registered owner. If the letter is returned unclaimed or no response is received within the allotted time allowed (15 days from date of letter), the gun may be cancelled from LEDS/NCIC.

If an insurance company has paid the owner for the stolen gun, said insurance company is to be contacted. It is necessary to keep insurance information current and accurate. If the phone numbers listed for the insurance company have been disconnected or are no longer in service and/ or letters have been returned as undeliverable and/or no response from the insurance company has been received within the allotted 15-day period, the LEDS/NCIC entries may be cancelled.

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#### 802.7.3 ARTICLES / SECURITIES VALIDATIONS

Upon receipt of an Articles / Securities Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

Once the files are pulled, they are checked for accurate contact information, i.e. telephone numbers and addresses. If no current phone numbers are available then a letter is sent to the registered owner. If the letter is returned unclaimed or no response is received within the allotted time allowed (15 days from date of letter), the article or security may be cancelled from LEDS/ NCIC.

If an insurance company has paid the owner for the stolen article or security, said insurance company is to be contacted. It is necessary to keep insurance information current and accurate. If the phone numbers listed for the insurance company have been disconnected or are no longer in service and/or letters have been returned as undeliverable and/or no timely response has been received from the insurance company within the allotted 15-day period, the LEDS/NCIC entries may be cancelled.

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#### 802.7.4 BOATS / BOAT PARTS VALIDATIONS

Upon receipt of a Boats / Boat Parts Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

Once the files are pulled, they are checked for accurate contact information, i.e. telephone numbers and addresses. If no current phone numbers are available then a letter is sent to the registered owner. If the letter is returned unclaimed or no response is received within the allotted time allowed (15 days from date of letter), the boat may be cleared from LEDS/NCIC.

If an insurance company has paid the owner for the stolen boat, said insurance company is to be contacted. It is necessary to keep insurance information current and accurate. If the phone numbers listed for the insurance company have been disconnected or are no longer in service and/or letters have been returned as undeliverable and/or no timely response has been received from the insurance company within the allotted 15-day period, the LEDS/NCIC entries may be cancelled.

Once the above process has been completed on each entry for a particular file, all documentation pertaining to the Validation process is placed in said file and the file is returned to the appropriate permanent file storage.

A working copy is defined as the copy of the case kept in records upon entry of the stolen information into LEDS.

#### 802.7.5 MISSING PERSONS VALIDATIONS

Upon receipt of a Missing Persons Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

If the person who has been reported as missing as not been located within 30 days after the missing person report is made, the officer assigned to said case shall contact the reporting party and determine if the person is still missing.

All records for juvenile, runaways, or missing persons that cannot be validated will be retained in the system.

Upon receipt of a License Plates Validations list from LEDS, the working copy of said case to be validated is pulled from its designated place in the Records office and placed in the LEDS VALIDATION FILE drawer.

Once the files are pulled, they are checked for accurate contact information, i.e. telephone numbers and addresses. If no current phone numbers are available then a letter is sent to the registered owner. If the letter is returned unclaimed or no response is received within the allotted time allowed (15 days from date of letter), the license plate(s) may be cleared from LEDS/NCIC.

If the tags on the stolen license plate(s) have expired, the entries in LEDS/NCIC can be cleared.

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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 City of Sherwood Police Department and that are promulgated and maintained by the Department of Human Resources.

#### 1000.2 POLICY

In accordance with applicable federal, state, and local law, the City of Sherwood 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 Agency does not show partiality or grant any special status to any applicant, employee, or group of employees unless otherwise required by law.

The Agency 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.

#### 1000.2.1 SELECTION

The selection of non-sworn employees will be administered by the City of Sherwood Department of Human Resources Manager and will include participation of police department personnel as designated by the Police Chief. Finalists will be interviewed by the Police Chief prior to appointment. A conditional job offer will be made contingent on submission of inked fingerprints for criminal history clearance as required by the Oregon State Police Criminal Justice Information System Division.

The recruitment and selection process for police officers will ensure that the applicant meets the standards and is tested as required by the Oregon Department of Public Safety and Training, (Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 259-008.) The initial phase of the selection process will determine whether the applicant meets the minimum qualifications as set forth in the job description. A formal job description will be established for every position within the agency, and will be periodically reviewed and updated. The City of Sherwood Human Resources Manager will maintain current and accurate job descriptions that include required duties and responsibilities for all positions within the Sherwood Police Department. The subsequent phases of the process will progressively eliminate unsuitable candidates and advance the most qualified applicants; who must successfully complete the following:

- Oregon Physical Abilities Test
- National Police Officer Selection Test

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- Panel interviews
- Submission of a background packet, Personal History Questionnaire, and California Personality Inventory
- Initial non-medical assessment of the Personal History Questionnaire
- Submission of inked fingerprints for criminal records check
- Interview by command staff
- Conditional job offer
- Background investigation
- Review of background investigation
- Psychological assessment
- Medical test
- Appointment

This process may be modified to accommodate specific conditions or requirements of assignments. (An example of such modification may pertain to officers applying for lateral transfer that are currently certified in Oregon.)

#### 1000.3 RECRUITMENT

The Administration Section Commander should employ a comprehensive recruitment and selection strategy to recruit and select employees from a qualified and diverse pool of candidates.

The strategy should include:

- (a) Identification of racially and culturally diverse target markets.
- (b) Use of marketing strategies to target diverse applicant pools.
- (c) Expanded use of technology and maintenance of a strong internet presence. This may include an interactive agency website and the use of agency-managed social networking sites, if resources permit.
- (d) Expanded outreach through partnerships with media, community groups, citizen academies, local colleges, universities and the military.
- (e) Employee referral and recruitment incentive programs.
- (f) Consideration of shared or collaborative regional testing processes.

The Administration Section 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 Agency should strive to facilitate and expedite the screening and testing process, and should periodically inform each candidate of his/her status in the recruiting process.

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#### 1000.4 SELECTION PROCESS

The Agency shall actively strive to identify a diverse group of candidates who have in some manner distinguished themselves as being outstanding prospects. Minimally, the Agency should 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, military record)
  - (a) 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 (2020 Oregon Laws, c.7, § 4).
- (b) Driving record
- (c) Reference checks
- (d) Employment eligibility, including U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Employment Eligibility Verification Form I-9 and acceptable identity and employment 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
- (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

#### 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 City of Sherwood 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 Administration Section Commander shall not require candidates to provide passwords, account information or access to password-protected social media accounts (ORS 659A.330).

The Administration Section 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.
- (c) The Agency fully complies with applicable privacy protections and local, state and federal law.

Regardless of whether a third party is used, the Administration Section 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-thecircumstances framework.

#### 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 Agency 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 Department of Human Resources 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):

- (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

#### 1000.8 PROBATIONARY PERIODS

The Administration Section Commander should coordinate with the Sherwood Department of Human Resources 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.



# **Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace**

#### 1007.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear and uniform guidelines regarding drugs and alcohol in the workplace.

#### 1007.2 POLICY

It is the policy of this department to provide and maintain a drug- and alcohol-free workplace for all members.

#### 1007.3 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. Such use shall not be tolerated (41 USC § 8103).

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 Shift Supervisor or appropriate supervisor as soon as the member is aware that he/she will not be able to report to work. If the member is 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, he/she shall be immediately removed and released from work (see Work Restrictions in this policy).

#### 1007.3.1 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 means of accomodating the disability in the workplace. The department will not agree to allow an employee to u marijuana as an accomodation.

#### 1007.4 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, with the exception of marijuana, or overthe-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 have 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, or that has violated this policy.

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).

#### 1007.5 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 Department of Human Resources, 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.

#### 1007.6 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.

#### 1007.7 REQUESTING SCREENING TESTS

A supervisor may request an employee to submit to a screening test under the following circumstances:

- (a) The supervisor has reasonable suspicion to believe, based upon objective facts, that the employee has used marijuana or is under the influence of alcohol or drugs that are impairing his/her ability to perform their duties safely and efficiently.
- (b) The employee discharges a firearm, other than by accident, in the performance of his/ her duties.
- (c) During the performance of his/her duties, the employee drives a motor vehicle and becomes involved in an incident that results in bodily injury to him/herself or another person or substantial damage to property.

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#### 1007.7.1 SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY

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.

#### 1007.7.2 SCREENING TEST REFUSAL

An employee may be subject to disciplinary action if he/she:

- (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 he/she took the controlled substance as directed, pursuant to a current and lawful prescription issued in his/her name.
- (c) Violates any provisions of this policy.

#### 1007.8 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).

#### 1007.9 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 separately from the employee's other personnel files.



# **Personnel Complaints**

#### 1011.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidelines for the reporting, investigation and disposition of complaints regarding the conduct of members of the City of Sherwood 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.

#### 1011.2 POLICY

The City of Sherwood Police Department takes seriously all complaints regarding the service provided by the Agency and the conduct of its members.

The Agency 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 agency to ensure that the community can report misconduct without concern for reprisal or retaliation.

#### 1011.3 PERSONNEL COMPLAINTS

Personnel complaints include any allegation of misconduct or improper job performance that, if true, would constitute a violation of agency 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 agency 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 Agency.

#### 1011.3.1 COMPLAINT CLASSIFICATIONS

Personnel complaints shall be classified in one of the following categories:

**Informal** - A matter in which the Shift 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 Professional Standards Unit, 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 Professional Standards Unit, such matters may be further investigated depending on the seriousness of the complaint and the availability of sufficient information.

#### 1011.3.2 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 agency 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.

#### 1011.4 AVAILABILITY AND ACCEPTANCE OF COMPLAINTS

#### 1011.4.1 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 agency 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.

#### 1011.4.2 ACCEPTANCE

All complaints will be courteously accepted by any agency 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.

#### 1011.5 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 Agency should audit the log and send an audit report to the Police Chief or the authorized designee.

#### 1011.5.1 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).

#### 1011.6 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Allegations of misconduct will be administratively investigated as follows.

#### 1011.6.1 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 Police Chief 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.
  - 1. The original complaint form will be directed to the Shift 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.
  - 2. 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 member's Section Commander or the Police Chief, 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.
  - 1. Follow-up contact with the complainant should be made within 24 hours of the Agency receiving the complaint.
  - 2. 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 Shift Supervisor.
- (d) Ensuring that upon receipt of a complaint involving allegations of a potentially serious nature, the Shift Supervisor and Police Chief are notified via the chain of command as soon as practicable.
- (e) Promptly contacting the Department of Human Resources and the Shift Supervisor 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 Shift Supervisor, who will determine whether to contact the complainant or assign the complaint for investigation.

- (g) Informing the complainant of the investigator's name and the complaint number within three days after assignment.
- (h) Investigating a complaint as follows:
  - 1. 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.

#### 1011.6.2 ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

Whether conducted by a supervisor or a member of the Professional Standards Unit, the following applies to employees covered by the provisions of ORS 236.350 through ORS 236.360.

- (a) Interviews of an accused employee shall be conducted during reasonable (normal waking) hours and preferably when the employee is on-duty, unless the seriousness of the investigation requires otherwise. If the employee is off-duty, he/she shall be compensated.
- (b) Unless waived by the employee, interviews of an accused employee shall be at the City of Sherwood Police Department or other reasonable and appropriate place.
- (c) No more than two interviewers should ask questions of an accused employee.
- (d) The interviewers shall inform the employee 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, an employee should be informed of the nature of the investigation and of facts reasonably sufficient to inform the employee of the circumstances surrounding the allegations under investigation.
- (f) All interviews should be for a reasonable period and the employee's personal needs should be accommodated.
- (g) No employee should be subjected to offensive or threatening language, nor shall any promises, rewards, or other inducements be used to obtain answers.
- (h) Any employee 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.
  - 1. An employee should be given an order to answer questions in an administrative investigation that might incriminate the member in a criminal matter only after the member has been given a *Garrity* advisement. Administrative investigators should consider the impact that compelling a statement from the employee 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).

- 2. No information or evidence administratively coerced from an employee may be provided to anyone involved in conducting the criminal investigation or to any prosecutor.
- (i) The interviewer should record all interviews of employees and witnesses. The employee may also record the interview. If the employee 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 employee prior to any subsequent interview.
- (j) All employees 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 employees 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 employee's chosen representative cannot be required to disclose, or be subject to disciplinary action for refusing to disclose, statements made by the employee to the representative for purposes of the representation.
- (I) As soon as it is determined that the employee may be charged with a criminal offense, the employee shall be informed of the employee's right to consult with criminal defense counsel with respect to the criminal charge.
- (m) All employees shall provide complete and truthful responses to questions posed during interviews.
- (n) No employee may be compelled to submit to a polygraph examination, nor shall any refusal to submit to such examination be mentioned in any investigation.

#### 1011.6.3 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.

**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.

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**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.

#### 1011.6.4 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 agency 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.

#### 1011.6.5 COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATIONS

The Administration Supervisor shall ensure that investigations are completed and peace officers are provided notification of intended discipline no later than six months from the date of the first interview. The Police Chief or Administration Supervisor 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 Agency gives written notice explaining the reason for the extension to the peace officer and the peace 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 peace officer who is incapacitated or unavailable.
- (b) The investigation involves an allegation of workers' compensation or disability fraud by the peace officer.
- (c) The peace officer, in writing, waives the limit.
- (d) The investigation requires a reasonable extension of time for coordination with one or more other jurisdictions.
- (e) The investigation involves more than one peace 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 peace officer is a named defendant or the peace 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.

#### 1011.6.6 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.

#### 1011.7 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.

#### 1011.8 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 Agency, the Police Chief 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 agency badge, identification, assigned weapons and any other agency 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.

1011.8.1 RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF INVESTIGATIONS In the event that an employee tenders a written resignation or retirement prior to the completion of an investigation, such action shall be noted in the investigative file.

The tender of a resignation or retirement by itself shall not serve as grounds for the suspension of the investigation.

#### 1011.9 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 Police Chief shall be notified as soon as practicable when a member is accused of criminal conduct. The Police Chief 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 City of Sherwood 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.

#### 1011.10 POST-ADMINISTRATIVE INVESTIGATION PROCEDURES

Upon completion of a formal investigation, an investigation report should be forwarded to the Police Chief 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 Police Chief 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.

#### 1011.10.1 SECTION COMMANDER RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon receipt of any completed personnel investigation, the Section Commander of the involved member shall review the entire investigative file, the member's personnel file and any other relevant materials.

The Section Commander 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 Police Chief, the Section Commander may return the entire investigation to the assigned investigator or supervisor for further investigation or action.

When forwarding any written recommendation to the Police Chief, the Section Commander 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.

#### 1011.10.2 POLICE CHIEF RESPONSIBILITIES

Upon receipt of any written recommendation for disciplinary action, the Police Chief shall review the recommendation and all accompanying materials. The Police Chief may modify any recommendation and/or may return the file to the Section Commander for further investigation or action.

Once the Police Chief is satisfied that no further investigation or action is required by staff, the Police Chief shall determine the amount of discipline, if any that should be imposed. In the event disciplinary action is proposed, the Police Chief shall provide the member with a written notice and the following:

(a) Access to all of the materials considered by the Police Chief in recommending the proposed discipline.

- (b) An opportunity to respond orally or in writing to the Police Chief within five days of receiving the notice.
  - 1. Upon a showing of good cause by the member, the Police Chief may grant a reasonable extension of time for the member to respond.
  - 2. If the member elects to respond orally, the presentation shall be recorded by the Agency. 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 Police Chief shall consider all information received in regard to the recommended discipline. The Police Chief 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 Police Chief has issued a written decision, the discipline shall become effective.

#### 1011.10.3 NOTICE OF FINAL DISPOSITION TO THE COMPLAINANT

The Police Chief or the authorized designee should ensure that the complainant is notified of the disposition (i.e., sustained, not sustained, exonerated, unfounded) of the complaint (ORS 181A.830).

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).

#### 1011.10.4 NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

If an investigation of an officer of this agency results from a complaint, the Agency may disclose to the complainant the disposition of the complaint and if necessary provide a written summary of the information obtained in the investigation (ORS 181A.830).

#### 1011.11 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 Police Chief 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 Police Chief to consider.
- (d) In the event that the Police Chief elects to conduct further investigation, the employee shall be provided with the results prior to the imposition of any discipline.

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(e) The employee may thereafter have the opportunity to further respond orally or in writing to the Police Chief on the limited issues of information raised in any subsequent materials.

#### 1011.12 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.

#### 1011.13 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.

#### 1011.14 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 Police Chief or the authorized designee.

Any probationary period may be extended at the discretion of the Police Chief 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.

#### 1011.15 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 Files Policy.

#### 1011.16 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 Police Chief or the authorized designee is responsible for notifying DPSST of the disposition of the complaint (OAR 259-008-0400).



# **Personal Appearance Standards**

#### 1026.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

In order to project uniformity and neutrality toward the public and other members of the Agency, employees of this agency shall maintain their personal hygiene and appearance to project a professional image appropriate for this agency and for their assignment.

#### 1026.2 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 Police Chief has granted exception.

#### 1026.2.1 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.

Hair color shall remain consistent with a professional image, generally accepted law enforcement standards and naturally occurring human hair colors.

#### 1026.2.2 MUSTACHES

A neatly trimmed mustache may be worn. Mustaches shall not extend more than 1/4" below the corners of the mouth or beyond the natural hairline of the upper lip.

#### 1026.2.3 SIDEBURNS

Sideburns shall not extend below the bottom of the ear lobe and shall be trimmed and neat.

#### 1026.2.4 BEARDS

Department members may wear a goatee or full beard subject to the following conditions:

- A neatly trimmed goatee may be worn. Goatees shall be no longer than 1/4" in length and the width of the goatee shall not extend past the edge of the mustache as outlined in policy 1044.2.2.
- A neatly trimmed full beard may be worn. Members must notify their immediate supervisor in advance of their intention to grow a beard. An unshaven "transition period" of 4 weeks is allowed for the member to grow the beard, however, if the beard has not reached full coverage within 4 weeks, the member will be required to shave. A member is allowed only one transition period per year. Beards must be trimmed so as not to extend 1/4" below the jaw line, nor above the line of the mustache and must be trimmed to no more than 1/4" in length. Beards must achieve full coverage so there

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are no gaps or spotty coverage of the skin. Beards must be worn with a mustache, be an extension of the sideburns without interruption and be of natural color.

#### 1026.2.5 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.

#### 1026.2.6 JEWELRY

For the purpose of this policy, jewelry refers to rings, earrings, necklaces, bracelets, wristwatches, and tie tacks or tie bars. Jewelry shall present a professional image and may not create a safety concern for the agency member or others. Jewelry that depicts racial, sexual, discriminatory, gang-related, or obscene language is not allowed.

- (a) Necklaces shall not be visible above the shirt collar.
- (b) Earrings shall be small and worn only in or on the earlobe.
- (c) One ring or ring set may be worn on each hand of the agency member. No rings should be of the type that would cut or pose an unreasonable safety risk to the member or others during a physical altercation, if the member is assigned to a position where that may occur.
- (d) One small bracelet, including a bracelet identifying a medical condition, may be worn on one arm.
- (e) Wristwatches shall be conservative and present a professional image.
- (f) Tie tacks or tie bars worn with civilian attire shall be conservative and present a professional image.

#### 1026.3 TATTOOS

While on-duty or representing the City of Sherwood Police Department in any official capacity, members should make every reasonable effort to conceal tattoos or other body art. At no time while the member is on-duty or representing the Agency in any official capacity shall any offensive tattoo or body art be visible. Examples of offensive tattoos include but are not limited to those that exhibit or advocate discrimination; those that exhibit gang, supremacist, or extremist group affiliation; and those that depict or promote drug use, sexually explicit acts, or other obscene material.

#### 1026.4 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.
- (b) The complete or transdermal implantation of any material other than hair replacement.

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- (c) Abnormal shaping of the ears, eyes, nose or teeth, except that ear plugs no larger than 00 are permitted.
- (d) Branding or scarification.



# Employee Speech, Expression and Social Networking

#### 1032.1 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.

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.

#### 1032.1.1 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, e-mail, file transfer, remote computer access, news services, social networking, social media, instant messaging, blogs, forums, video and other file-sharing sites.

#### 1032.2 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 City of Sherwood 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.

#### 1032.3 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 City of Sherwood 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

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associates. Examples of the type of information that could reasonably be expected to compromise safety include:

- 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.

#### 1032.4 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 City of Sherwood 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 City of Sherwood Police Department and tends to compromise or damage the mission, function, reputation or professionalism of the City of Sherwood 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 City of Sherwood 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

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authorization of the Police Chief or the authorized designee (or any other act that would constitute a misuse of public information in violation of ORS 162.425).

- (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 City of Sherwood Police Department on any personal or social networking or other website or web page, without the express authorization of the Police Chief.
- (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).
  - 2. 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).

#### 1032.4.1 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 City of Sherwood Police Department or identify themselves in any way that could be reasonably perceived as representing the City of Sherwood Police Department in order to do any of the following, unless specifically authorized by the Police Chief:

- (a) Endorse, support, oppose or contradict any political campaign or initiative.
- (b) Endorse, support, oppose or contradict any social issue, cause or religion.
- (c) Endorse, support or oppose any product, service, company or other commercial entity.
- (d) 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 his/her 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 City of Sherwood 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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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 offduty. 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).

#### 1032.5 PRIVACY EXPECTATION

Members forfeit any expectation of privacy with regard to e-mails, texts or anything published or maintained through file-sharing software or any Internet site (e.g., Facebook, MySpace) that is accessed, transmitted, received or reviewed on any department technology system (see the Information Technology Use Police for additional guidance).

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 e-mail system, computer network or any information placed into storage on any department system or device.

This includes records of all key strokes 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 user name or password will not create an expectation of privacy if it is accessed through department computers, electronic devices or networks. However, the Department may not require a member to disclose a personal user name or password, or open a personal social website, except when access is reasonably believed to be relevant to the investigation of allegations of work-related misconduct (ORS 659A.330)

#### **1032.6 CONSIDERATIONS**

In determining whether to grant authorization of any speech or conduct that is prohibited under this policy, the factors that the Police Chief 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.

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(f) Whether the speech or conduct may be protected and outweighs any interest of the Department.

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Subject to available resources, the Department should provide training regarding employee speech and the use of social networking to all members of the Department.