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1-39 DWI UNIT-SECTION

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

1-95 Traffic Section (Formerly 6-3)

- 2-40 Misdemeanor Traffic and City Ordinance Enforcement
- 2-41 Traffic Stops
- 2-42 DWI Investigations and Revoked/Suspended License
- 2-43 Roadblocks and Checkpoints
- 2-44 Traffic and Roadway Services
- 2-46 Response to Traffic Crashes
- 2-47 Crashes Involving Police Vehicles

B. Form(s)

DWI Offense/Incident Report

C. Other Resource(s)

International Association of Chiefs' of Police Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC)
Program

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

None

1-39-1 **Purpose**

The purpose of this Section policy is to establish guidelines for the The purpose of the DWI Section Unit is to investigate and enforce laws related to depriving www.hile intoxicated (DWI), train Albuquerque Police Department (Department) personnel, and participate in community operations relating to DWI. The DWI Section Unit will shall maintain and operate the Cerash Rremoval Vvehicle (CRV1) Pprogram.

1-39-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department (Department) to establish, train, and use the DWI Unit as a complementary unit to assist the Ffield Services Bureau (FSB) sworn personnel with DWI—related enforcement, training, and roadblocks.

N/A 1-39-3 Definitions

A. Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Officer

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A Department officer who has successfully completed the Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program and certified by the International Association of Chiefs' of Police as a DRE.

A.B. Serious-Injury Crash

A crash involving serious injuries which injuries, which could result in death.

- 7 1-39-4 Rules and Responsibilities
 - A. The DWI Unit Sergeant shall plans, sets up, and conducts DWI-related roadblocks and checkpoints (refer to , consistent with Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

 Roadblocks and Checkpoints for sanction classifications and additional duties).
 - B. DWI Unit personnel shall:
 - A.1. -Ppatrol all areas of the City of Albuquerque and to enforce traffic laws with an emphasis on DWI_-related violations (refer to -consistent with SOP Misdemeanor Traffic and City Ordinance Enforcement and SOP Traffic Stops for sanction classifications and additional duties);-
 - B. Field personnel may request a DWI unit to assist with on a call to conducting a DWI investigation or assist with warrants for blood draws.
 - 2. <u>DWI Unit personnel shall cC</u>onducts Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) investigations in conjunction with DWI investigations when probable cause exists <u>(refer to -</u> consistent with SOP DWI Investigations and Revoked/Suspended License for sanction classifications and additional duties);
 - 3. Complete any DWI investigation for a fatal crash or serious-injury crash (refer to consistent with SOP Response to Traffic Crashes for sanction classifications and additional duties); and
- N/A

 4. Assist the Metro Traffic Section Division with escorts and other major City and Department special events.

 C.
- 7 <u>C. DWI Unit personnel may respond to a request by FSB sworn personnel to assist with conducting a DWI investigation or with warrants for blood draws.</u>
 - D. Personnel <u>shall</u>will complete any DWI investigation that is the result of a crash involving a Department vehicle, fatal crash, or serious-injury crash.
- N/A E. The DWI Section plans, sets up, and conducts DWI related roadblocks and checkpoints. See SOP Roadblocks and Checkpoints.

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- 7 F. The unit shall assists the Traffic Section with escorts and other major City and Department special events.
- 7 G.D. On-Call <u>Status</u>
 - 1. <u>DWI Unit p</u>ersonnel <u>shall</u> be <u>available</u> on a rotational, on-call status.
 - 2. The DWI Unit Sergeant shall maintains the on-call list.
 - H.E. Fatal Crash or Serious-Injury Crash Call-Oeut Procedures
 - 1. The Traffic Section Supervisor responding to the scene shall:
 - a. Determine if a DWI Unit officer(s) is needed to conduct a DWI; and
 - b. Contact the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) to have the DWI Unit officer respond to the scene.
 - 1.2. For fFatal Crashes or Serious-linjury Ccrashes: The DWI Unit officer shall:
 - The Traffic Section Supervisor responding to the scene shall:will
 - a. <u>D</u>determine if a <u>DWI Unit_officeroOOfficer(s) is</u>will be needed to conduct a <u>DWI and/or DRE investigation; and.</u>
 - The Traffic Supervisor will<u>shall</u> c<u>Contact the on-call DWI <u>Unit</u> officer<u>oOfficer to</u> respond to the scene.</u>
 - The DWI Unit oOfficer who will shall:
 - a. Respond to the scene;
 - <u>b.</u> <u>-and cComplete</u> the DWI investigations for the fatal <u>crash</u> <u>or serious--injury</u> crash; and
 - b.c. Complete the DWI Offense/Incident Rreport.
- 6 2. For DRE linvestigations:
 - a. The primary field <u>FSB</u> officersworn personnel, or on duty DWI <u>Unit</u>
 officeroOfficer, willshall conduct a DWI investigation before requesting response
 by the for a DRE certified officeroOfficer, consistent with to respond. See SOP—
 DWI Investigations and Revoked/Suspended License.
 - b. The primary field FSB officersworn personnel must shall have:
 - i. Observed the impaired driving:
 - ii. Arrested the driver for DWI;
 - iii. Administered a breath alcohol test to the arrested driver; and
 - iv. Observed that the results of the breath alcohol test were inconsistent with the field sobriety tests.
 - c. The primary field FSB officersworn personnel willshall notify the on-duty supervisor and request through the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) the response by for the on-call DRE officer Officer. If approved by the on-duty

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- supervisor, the investigating primary <u>FSB</u> officersworn personnel may call the on-call DRE officerOfficer.
- d. The on-call DRE officer <u>Officer</u> will<u>shall</u> respond and complete a supplemental investigation and report and will<u>shall</u> advise the <u>primary arresting officersworn</u> personnel of the findings.
- e. The DRE officer willshall ensure the primary sworn personnel arresting officer revises the blood test results so that a criminal summons can be filed by the DRE officerOfficer.
- f. The DRE officer willshall ensure that the reports and forms are forwarded appropriately, consistent with. See SOP DWI Investigations and Revoked/Suspended License.

I. Crash Removal Vehicle (CRV1)

- 1. The CRV1 is operated by a Police Service Aide (operator)s who is are trained in operating the vehicle.
- 2. The CRV1 responds to crashes or stranded vehicles on the interstate(s) to assist with removing damaged or inoperable vehicles from traffic lanes that are obstructing the flow of traffic.
 - a. The operator CRV1 willshall only move vehicles to the shoulder.
 - b. The operator CRV1 willshall wait on the scene until a sworn personnel or dispatched officer or PSA arrives.
 - c. The operatorCRV1 willshall not complete the police crash report.
 - d. The operator CRV1 will shall advise the locations of the vehicle before being moved.
 - e. The contracted tow company willshall be requested to remove the vehicles from the scene.
 - f. The operator CRV1 will shall not move vehicles involved in fatal or serious injury crashes.
- 3. If a vehicle is damaged as a result of CRV1 removing it from the roadway, personnel willshall photograph both vehicles and provide a supplemental crash report to the original crash report. The photos willshall be tagged into evidence.
- 4. Personnel will<u>shall</u> refuel and remove any trash from the CRV1 vehicle at the end of the shift.
- 5. Personnel willshall return the CRV1 vehicle to the DWI substation.
- 6. Personnel willshall advise the DWI Sergeant when:
 - a. The CRV1 was involved in a crash:
 - b. The CRV1 was involved in any significant event; or
 - c. The CRV1 requires maintenance or repair.



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4.F. Training and Certification

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- 1. DWI Unit personnel will<u>shall</u> be certified as a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) within one year of joining the <u>u</u>unit.
- 1. The DWI <u>Uunit shall coordinate with outside agencies to provides train cadets and ing to Department sworn personnel on DWI enforcement.</u>
- N/A
- 2. The DWI Unit will provide training , outside agencies, and the public about DWI-related topics about DWI-related topics to the public.
- 3. DWI Unit personnel shall be certified as a <u>Drug Recognition ExpertDRE</u>, through the New Mexico DRE program, within one (1) year of joining the unit or as soon as <u>practicable</u>.

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