



Use of Force Recommendation 03

Guidance for
Concurrent Investigations- Scene Response



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Recommendation Highlights

All serious use of force incidents as defined by the Department should generate an immediate response to the scene and an administrative investigation be conducted.

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Gap Analysis

Recommendation

- The Professional Standards Lieutenant will coordinate the investigator's response to qualified use of force incidents.
- The roles of the investigator will dictate what stage of the investigation the member will respond to the scene.

Current Policy

- The Homicide Unit is immediately dispatched to the scene to conduct a criminal investigation.
- An administrative investigation is not automatically initiated and is delayed months following the criminal investigation



Regional Trends – Scene Response for Administrative Investigation

| Agency | Response | Roles |
|----------------|-----------|--|
| Phoenix PD | Immediate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present for entire investigation • Has different roles throughout the investigation |
| Scottsdale PD | Delayed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Momentarily delayed to complete required administrative paperwork prior to responding to scene |
| Chandler PD | Delayed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Momentarily delayed to complete required administrative paperwork prior to responding to scene |
| Los Angeles PD | Immediate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All-inclusive investigative unit • Team conducts simultaneous administrative/criminal compelled interview |
| Long Beach PD | Immediate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present for entire investigation • Has different roles throughout the investigation |
| Anaheim PD | Immediate | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present for entire investigation • Has different roles throughout the investigation |

Scene Response For Administrative Investigations



At what point do the members come to the scene to begin the administrative investigation?

Do all roles come to the scene at this same point?

Committee Feedback

- It was recommended on OIS investigations the administrative investigators respond to scene after the involved member completes the scene walk-through.
 - This would minimize the impact on voluntary statements provided by the involved member.
- It was recommended on injury investigations, only Professional Standards and Training would respond to qualified incidents.
 - A homicide investigator would respond if a criminal nexus was identified.



Further Analysis

- To implement this recommendation, it will require the appropriation or purchase of additional vehicles for the investigators.
 - Estimate financial cost:
 - Total cost for 6 sedans is \$252,000
 - Average sedan cost is \$42,000
 - 5 Professional Standards and 1 Training Member
 - The cost to lease a sedan is \$640 (\$745.92 including tax) monthly.



Final Guidance

- It is recommended Professional Standards and Training should respond immediately to qualified critical use of force incidents.
- It is recommended for OIS incidents, Professional Standards and Training will respond to scene at the conclusion of the investigation after the involved member completes the scene walk-through.



Questions