

General Orders

201.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

- (a) General Orders establish an interdepartmental communication that may be used by the Chief of Police to make immediate changes to policy and procedure consistent with the current Memorandum of Understanding and as permitted by Government Code § 3500 et seq. General Orders will immediately modify or change and supersede sections of this manual to which they pertain.

201.2 GENERAL ORDER PROTOCOL

- (a) General Orders will be incorporated into the manual as required upon approval of Staff. General Orders will modify existing policies or create a new policy as appropriate and will be rescinded upon incorporation into the manual.
- (b) All existing General Orders have now been incorporated in the updated Policy Manual as of the below revision date.
- (c) Any General Orders issued after publication of the manual shall be numbered consecutively starting with the last two digits of the year, followed by the number 01. For example, 12-01 signifies the first General Order for the year 2012.

201.3 RESPONSIBILITIES

- (a) **Staff**
 - 1. Staff shall review and approve revisions of the Policy Manual, which will incorporate changes originally made by a General Order.
- (b) **Chief of Police**
 - 1. The Chief of Police shall issue all General Orders.

201.4 ACCEPTANCE OF GENERAL ORDERS

- (a) All employees are required to read and obtain any necessary clarification of all General Orders. All employees are required to acknowledge in writing the receipt and review of any new General Order. Signed acknowledgement forms and/or e-mail receipts showing an employee's acknowledgement will be maintained by the Department.

201.5 REVIEW DATE

- (a) 29 APR 16
- (b) 22 DEC 19 (Lexipol)