

STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER

BOMBS, EXPLOSIVE MATERIAL HANDLING
SUBJECT

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NO: X-2

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TO: ALL PERSONNEL

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I. POLICY

- A. Stockton Police Department Personnel will investigate and, when necessary, search buildings and areas for any reported explosives within the City of Stockton.
- B. Several governmental and private firms or institutions have developed employee search procedures. As employees are familiar with items in their buildings and the police are not, every effort should be made to have employees participate or conduct searches for explosives or suspicious items on a voluntary basis.

II. PROCEDURE

- A. Telecommunications Center Duties.
 - 1. When the Telecommunications Center receives a bomb threat directly or from a caller reporting a bomb threat, the following information should be obtained:
 - a. When is the bomb going to explode?
 - b. Where is the bomb located?
 - c. Identity of caller - male, female, name, etc.
 - d. When was the call received?
 - e. What kind of bomb is it?
 - f. What does the bomb look like?
 - g. What did the caller say?
 - h. How did the caller sound?
 - (1) Nervous
 - (2) Excited
 - (3) Intoxicated
 - (4) Laughing
 - (5) Any accent to indicate nationality
 - (6) Any speech impediment
 - (7) Familiar voice
 - I. Was there any background noise?

- E. At-scene Procedures of the EOD Team
 - 1. EOD Team operations should not begin until at least two EOD Team members are present at the scene.
 - 2. Normally, the first EOD member arriving at the scene from the jurisdiction in which the incident is occurring will be designated team leader.
 - 3. All requests for additional support will be made through the commanding officer of the agency having the jurisdiction.
 - 4. All press and private photographers will be barred (without exception) from the immediate area during EOD Team operations.
 - 5. All statements to the press and other news media will be made through the agency spokesperson from the jurisdiction in which the incident has occurred.
 - 6. All decisions relating to "Render Safe" procedures of suspected devices will be made by EOD Team members at the scene.
 - 7. All investigative follow-ups related to a bomb incident will be the responsibility of the agency having jurisdiction. The EOD Team will not be used for such purposes without the express consent of the agencies involved.
- F. Reports - Any officer investigating a situation involving a bomb threat or locating suspected or actual explosive material, will list all necessary information on a report, directing its attention to the Investigations Division/E.O.D./Vice.
- G. Disposal of explosive material.
 - 1. When available, an EOD Team member will dispose of explosive material.
 - a. Refer to CAD System/Info Bomb for a list of EOD Team members.
 - 2. When an EOD Team member is not available or needs additional personnel, the Metropolitan EOD Team may be contacted for mutual aid.
 - a. Refer to Telecommunications Center for Metropolitan EOD phone number.
- H. When explosive material is reported in a school, School Resource Officers (SRO's) will conduct the search at the school when they are available.
 - 1. In situations involving reported or actual explosive material, dismissal of students from school is at the discretion of the principal.
- I. Explosive material reported in theaters or other buildings.
 - 1. Field Operations Division personnel will generally conduct the search if there is no employee search procedure.
 - 2. Investigations Division will generally handle the actual follow-up investigation.
 - 3. In situations involving reported or actual explosive material, evacuation of the building is at the discretion of the person in charge of the building.

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