



Tulsa Police Department

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Policy # 136E

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Policy Name Obligation to Provide Backing

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PURPOSE OF CHANGE:

To update policy format.

POLICY:

It is the obligation of every officer to provide backing to their fellow officers. Officers should inform their supervisors in writing of specific alleged problems that they are experiencing in receiving backing. Supervisors who receive written notice of such problems are required to investigate the complaint and take appropriate action, if necessary. Supervisors will report the notice and all actions taken, or why no action was necessary, up the chain of command.

APPLIES TO: All sworn personnel

SUMMARY: To adopt and implement a policy which specifically sets out the obligation of fellow officers to provide backing as required.

DEFINITIONS: None

PROCEDURES: None

REGULATIONS:

1. Officers shall provide backing for fellow officers as needed.
2. Officers shall inform their supervisors, in writing, of specific alleged problems in receiving backing.
3. Supervisors shall investigate the written notice and take appropriate action.
4. Supervisors shall report the notice and all actions taken, or why no action was necessary, through the chain of command.

REFERENCES:

Johnson, et al. vs. City of Tulsa, No. 94-CV-39-H(M) Consent Decree, Section 14.1