

INTRADEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 09-11

February 28, 2011

TO: Metropolitan Division Personnel

FROM: Commanding Officer, Metropolitan Division

SUBJECT: K-9 SEARCHES INVOLVING OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING (OIS) OR  
ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON (ADW) ON A POLICE OFFICER

**EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

When a K-9 search involves an Attempt Murder, Murder, or ADW of a peace officer with a firearm, the K-9 search team shall, whenever possible, be comprised solely of Metropolitan Division officers.

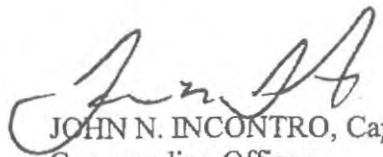
On all OIS or ADW with a firearm on peace officer-related searches, a K-9 supervisor shall notify and brief the on-call K-9 Platoon Officer in Charge (OIC). The K-9 Platoon OIC shall make immediate notification to the Metropolitan Division Commanding Officer. The Metropolitan Division Commanding Officer shall approve the composition (e.g., all K-9, K-9/SWAT, or K-9 and Metropolitan Division officers) of the K-9 search team(s).

**Note:** In exigent circumstances, (e.g., imminent risk of harm to the public or officer safety) a K-9 search team may include officers from outside Metropolitan Division. When practicable, approval shall be obtained from the K-9 Platoon OIC prior to deployment.

Any incident where a suspect has an extraordinary tactical advantage, i.e. armed barricaded suspect, the on-scene K-9 supervisor or K-9 Platoon OIC shall contact the Metropolitan Division Commanding Officer for advice and direction.

In searches where a suspect is reasonably believed to be armed with a firearm or deadly weapon, a K-9 supervisor shall respond, and when practicable, be on scene to coordinate with the incident commander and oversee the search.

**Note:** In the event that a K-9 supervisor has not arrived prior to the initiation of the K-9 team deployment, the on-scene K-9 officer shall receive K-9 supervisory approval via radio communication or telephonically.

  
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