

DEPARTMENT TRAFFIC COORDINATOR
COUNTER-TERRORISM AND SPECIAL OPERATIONS BUREAU

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TO: All Commanding Officers

FROM: Department Traffic Coordinator, Counter-Terrorism and Special Operations Bureau

SUBJECT: MULTI-DISCIPLINARY COLLISION INVESTIGATION TEAM
ARREST, BOOKING AND FILING RESPONSIBILITIES – REVISED

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Notice is to inform Department personnel of a revision to the Multi-Disciplinary Collision Investigation Team (MCIT) responsibilities at critical traffic collision call outs. Currently, the responsibilities of MCIT are delineated in Department Manual Section 4/412. As a result, this revision is necessary to ensure consistency with existing Department policy and procedures related to the handling of arrests and bookings associated with a MCIT call out. This will ensure that critical traffic collisions are properly investigated and handled by the appropriate Department entity.

BACKGROUND

A review of the duties and responsibilities delineated in Department Manual Section 4/412 revealed that MCIT was responsible for handling all arrests and bookings associated with an MCIT call out. However, this duty and responsibility is inconsistent with existing Department policy and procedures.

PROCEDURES

Effective immediately, the MCIT shall be responsible for investigating and handling the **entire** investigation only when it involves a traffic related crime. The California Vehicle Code defines traffic related crimes as: Felony Driving Under the Influence (DUI), Felony or Misdemeanor Hit and Run, Felony DUI due to three prior DUI-related convictions, Felony Evading, or a fatality-involved traffic collision with the likelihood of a manslaughter or murder charge. In these specific incidents, the MCIT will assume investigative responsibility and handle the arrest, booking, and follow-up investigation and criminal filing.

Note: Any traffic collision involving an assault or death of a police officer with a vehicle will be handled by Robbery-Homicide Division.

In the event of a critical traffic collision which involves the combination of a non-traffic related crime and a traffic collision, Department personnel should comply with the following existing protocol:

- Area Responsibilities

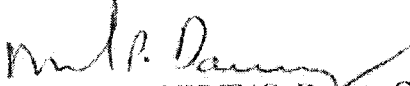
The Area of occurrence shall be responsible for the arrest, booking, and any follow-up investigation concerning any non-traffic related arrest as well as any follow-up investigation of all non-traffic related crimes.


- Multi-Disciplinary Collision Investigation Team Responsibilities

When the MCIT responds and assumes investigative responsibility, the MCIT investigative personnel shall be responsible for handling the arrest, booking, and any follow-up investigation and criminal filing for critical traffic collisions only when it involves a traffic-related crime(s) and/or when all connected reports are traffic-related.

If you have any questions regarding this Notice, please contact Traffic Coordination Section, Emergency Operations Division, at (213) 486-0690.

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