

Organizational Structure and Responsibility

200.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Discretionary

This policy establishes the organizational structure of the Department and defines general responsibilities of department members.

200.2 POLICY

Discretionary

The Brentwood Police Department will implement and maintain an organizational structure that provides clear and identifiable roles for command, control and guidance of the Department. Each position and assignment should have clearly identified responsibilities and a defined chain of command.

200.3 SECTIONS

Discretionary MODIFIED

The Chief of Police is responsible for administering and managing the Brentwood Police Department. There is one sections in the police department:

- Operations

200.3.1 OPERATIONS SECTION

Discretionary MODIFIED

The Operations Section is commanded by the Operations Sergeant whose primary responsibility is to provide general management, direction and control for the Administration Section. The Administration Section consists of technical, administrative, patrol and investigations.

200.4 COMMAND PROTOCOL

Best Practice

200.4.1 SUCCESSION OF COMMAND

Best Practice MODIFIED

The Chief of Police exercises command over all members of the Brentwood Police Department. During planned absences, the Chief of Police will designate the operations sergeant to serve as the acting Chief of Police.

Except when designated as above, the order of command authority in the absence or unavailability of the Chief of Police is as follows:

- (a) Senior Officer

200.4.2 UNITY OF COMMAND

Best Practice MODIFIED

The principles of unity of command ensure efficient supervision and control within the Department. Generally, each member shall be accountable to one supervisor at any time for a given assignment

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or responsibility. Except where specifically delegated authority may exist by policy or special assignment (e.g. Bicycle Patrol), any supervisor may temporarily direct any subordinate if an operational necessity exists.

200.5 AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

Best Practice

Each member will be assigned duties and responsibilities. Each member is delegated the authority necessary to effectively execute those responsibilities. Each member will also be held accountable for the appropriate application of that delegated authority.