

	STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE <small>State Form 39870(R/S-06)</small>	Reference Number SOC-001
	Subject Tactical Intervention Platoon (TIP)	
	Special Instructions Replaces SOC-001 dated March 1, 2015	Effective Date July 29, 2015

I. PURPOSE

Establish guidelines for alerting, activating, and training of ISP police employees assigned to the Tactical Intervention Platoon (TIP).

II. POLICY

TIP may be utilized for public service (disaster relief, etc.), maintaining order, or controlling groups of people by utilizing a well-trained and coordinated specialized unit. TIP commanders shall ensure team members maintain themselves and their equipment in the proper-ready condition.

III. PROCEDURE

Only the Superintendent, Chief of Staff or Assistant Chief of Staff Operations may activate a TIP team and/or a back up TIP team for a Signal 49 (TIP stand-by) or Signal 50 (TIP activation).

IV. ACTIVATION OF TIP TEAM(S)

A. Requests for TIP team stand-by or activation for future events shall be handled by memorandum, through channels, to the Superintendent.

B. Immediate or emergency requests for stand-by or activation shall be forwarded verbally, through channels, to the Superintendent.

C. When Signal 49 is activated the applicable TIP members will be notified and shall:

1. Make necessary preparations for immediate departure; and
2. Remain in 24 hour phone contact or leave instructions at the district where they can be contacted, if they should leave home; even for short periods of time.

D. When Signal 50 is activated the applicable TIP members will be notified, and shall:

1. Immediately depart for the predetermined assembly location, if required;
2. Drive in a reasonable and prudent manner, as the situation dictates; however, not Signal 10 unless otherwise directed;
3. Report in full TIP uniform to the appropriate TIP commander and remain at the designated location until relieved by the officer in charge (OIC) of the detail; and

4. Have sufficient personal items packed for an extended stay.

E. District commanders shall keep current rosters of specialty teams assigned to the area applicable to their district.

F. When a Signal 49 or Signal 50 has been announced, Operations shall notify the Special Operations Command (SOC) Commander and the Assistant Chief of Staff Operations.

1. Field Support Services (FSS) personnel shall be notified to provide field support.

2. Two (2) EOD and two (2) EOR members from the appropriate EOD teams shall be placed on standby.

3. The appropriate area commander shall notify SWAT to serve as a special weapons backup for the TIP team. SWAT shall report and remain at the location unless, called upon for duty or relieved by the officer-in-charge.

4. The appropriate area commander shall assign two (2) detectives to the location for investigation of criminal activities. The detectives shall not receive TIP equipment.

5. TIP commanders shall complete all required after-action reports as outlined in the TIP operational/training manual.

V. SELECTION OF TEAM MEMBERS

A. TIP members may be volunteers or may be assigned based upon the needs of the Department and their individual skills.

B. Each TIP commander shall designate a limited number of alternates to fill in for absent team members and other specialized team positions (see TIP operational/training guide).

VI. RECOGNITION MEDALS

After five (5) years of service with TIP and upon favorable termination from the TIP Program, former platoon members may keep their issued recognition medal and wear it while in uniform.

VII. TIP TRAINING

A. Department TIP personnel shall be properly trained and utilized in accordance with the standards set forth in the Department's TIP Operational/Training Manual.

B. This procedure is to be used in conjunction with all relevant Department regulations, rules, policies, and procedures.