

P.O. 603 Mass Arrest

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1. PURPOSE

- i) During the course of civil disturbances, it may be necessary to make arrests of numerous individuals over a relatively short period of time. The Incident Commander, or his designee, will be responsible for ensuring that the process is handled efficiently, safely and legally. This policy shall be used in conjunction with the Department's Contingency Management Plan.

2. ARREST/PROCESSING PROCEDURES

- i) All persons arrested will be taken to a processing area.
- ii) An arrest team is designated to process all prisoners for purposes of transportation to a detention center.
- iii) An adequate number of vehicles shall be made available to remove the prisoners to the detention center.
- iv) All evidence and weapons taken from prisoners shall be processed in accordance with the Department's policy on the preservation and custody of evidence.
- v) An adequately staffed and secure area with sanitation facilities shall be designated in the field for holding prisoners while awaiting transportation to be booked into the local detention center.
- vi) When necessary, prisoners shall be provided access to food, water, and sanitation services.

3. JUVENILE PROCEDURES

- i) Juveniles will be separated from adult offenders at the processing area. They will be handled in accordance with the Department's procedures for arrest, transportation and detention.

4. MEDICAL ACCESS

- i) Injured prisoners shall be provided medical attention prior to being booked.

5. LEGAL SYSTEM

- i) When requested by the arrestee, the access to counsel shall be allowed through the standard procedures at the detention facility.
- ii) The Incident Commander should establish a liaison with the district attorney's office.

6. MEDIA RELATIONS

- i) The Troop Public Information Officer (PIO) shall serve as the primary State Police liaison with the media.

7. DEACTIVATION

- i) When the disturbance has been brought under control, the Incident Commander will ensure that the following measures are taken:
 - a) All officers engaged in the incident are accounted for and an assessment made of personal injuries.
 - b) Witnesses, suspects, and others will be interviewed/interrogated.
 - c) A detailed debriefing shall be conducted after the conclusion of the event. The purpose of the debriefing is to review all aspects of the operation, such as planning, execution and logistical support.
 - d) A written after-action report shall be submitted to Operational Development which includes:
 - 1) Problems encountered and the recommended corrective measures.
 - 2) Recommendations for overall operational improvement.
 - 3) Identification of technology or equipment that may be needed for future operations.

- 4) Phases of the operation that performed well and do not require future modification.