

<b>MESA POLICE</b>  Department Policy Manual	<b>Vehicle Operation Review Board (VORB)</b>	<b>DPM 1.11.15</b> Effective 11/19/2015 Revised 01/27/2025
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## 1. PURPOSE

The Vehicle Operations Review Board (VORB) provides an evaluative review of individual member and Mesa Police Department (MPD) application of vehicle operations pertaining to safety, training, and policy. The Board will manage a system for the regular review, reporting, and tracking of vehicle related incidents to include:

- Member involved collisions.
- Member involved vehicle pursuits.
- Member response to vehicles failing to yield or unlawful flight from law enforcement if review is deemed necessary after Division review.
- Member application of vehicle intervention tactics to include:
  - Precision Immobilization technique (PIT).
  - Stop Stick Usage.
  - Vehicle Containments.

## 2. BOARD CHAIRPERSON RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The VORB Chairperson will identify each applicable vehicle related incident for review and evaluation while considering the following:
  1. Did the members involved perform within current policy?
  2. Does current policy adequately address the circumstances of the incident?
  3. Does related policy need to be revised?
  4. Did the member involved perform consistent with provided training?
  5. Does current training adequately address the circumstances of the incident?
  6. Does training materials or methods need to be revised?
- B. The VORB Chairperson will establish a full Board of review for vehicle related incidents resulting in any of the following:
  1. Member involved vehicle pursuits when review is deemed necessary after Division review.
  2. Member response to vehicles failing to yield from law enforcement when review is deemed necessary after Division review.
  3. Member application of vehicle intervention tactics to include:
    - a. Precision Immobilization Technique (PIT).
    - b. Stop Stick Usage.
  4. Member involved crashes involving serious or fatal injuries.
  5. Notice of claims.
  6. Potential for member to receive serious discipline.
- C. The VORB Chairperson will establish the subcommittee titled Collision Review Committee (CRC):

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1. Charged by a Lieutenant and comprised of VORB members.
2. The purpose is to provide an evaluative review of members involved in minor (non-serious or fatal crashes) vehicle crashes.
3. Quorum Requirement:
  - a. A quorum of three members is required to review incidents of member involved crashes.

### 3. BOARD MEMBERSHIP

The VORB acts under the authority of the Chief of Police and is scalable in size based on the nature of the incident under review.

- A. The full board will be comprised of the following voting members:
  1. Commander – Chairperson.
  2. Training Lieutenant.
  3. Traffic Lieutenant.
  4. Patrol Sergeant.
  5. At large Sergeant.
  6. Patrol Officer(s).
  7. At large Detective.
  8. VCU Traffic Detective.
  9. Police Driving Coordinator.
- B. The Board will include the following non-voting observers:
  1. Communications Supervisor.
  2. Internal Affairs.
  3. Member from the Police Labor Organization(s).
- C. Quorum Requirements:
  1. A quorum of five members is required to review applicable vehicle related incidents.

### 4. REPORTS & TIME FRAMES

- A. The full Vehicle Operations Review Board and the CRC subcommittee will meet monthly or as needed to ensure a timely review of their assigned incidents.
- B. VORB will obtain the necessary documentation to review the incident. Documentation includes the BlueTeam entry submitted by the supervisor, departmental reports (GOs), available AVL histories, available video, and Communications tapes.
- C. Final reports produced by each subcommittee will require review and approval by the VORB Chairperson prior to dissemination.

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- D. The VORB Chairperson will prepare a comprehensive Board Annual Report at the conclusion of the calendar year summarizing the Department's vehicle related incidents. This annual report will be forwarded to the Chief of Police for review.