



**Chapter:** Traffic Enforcement and Crash Investigation  
**Subject:** 06-07 – Stopping Rented Vehicles  
**Effective:** March 14, 2024  
**Supersedes:** Official Order 06-07, dated April 19, 2022  
**Distribution:** Department Members

---

**PURPOSE:** This Order establishes department policy for stopping rented vehicles.

#### 06-07-1 POLICY

It is policy of this department that when an enforcement member stops a vehicle and determines that the vehicle has been rented from a commercial car rental agency, the member shall examine the rental agreement for driver authorization information.

#### 06-07-2 RENTED VEHICLES

- A. If an authorized person, per the rental agreement, is not the driver or an occupant of the vehicle, members shall contact the rental agency to ascertain if there is a violation of [MCL 750.414](#) (use of motor vehicle without authority but without intent to steal) and if the rental agency, as the vehicle owner, expresses a desire to prosecute the alleged offender(s).
- (1) If the rental agency expresses a desire not to prosecute the offender(s), then criminal investigation, enforcement action, or impound of the vehicle shall not occur solely because a driver or occupant is not an authorized person under the rental agreement.
  - (2) If the rental agency expresses a desire to prosecute the offender(s), enforcement members may initiate a criminal investigation and take appropriate enforcement action for such violations. Breach of a rental agreement alone is not a sufficient reason for an enforcement member to believe a driver lacks a reasonable expectation of privacy in the vehicle, and any subsequent search of the vehicle must be based on a search warrant or a judicially recognized exception to the search warrant rule.

DIRECTOR

---

**Annual Review Responsibility:** Field Operations Bureau  
**Accreditation Standards:** CALEA 61.1.2