

Chapter: Operating Department Vehicles

Subject: 10-07 – Vehicle Escorts

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Supersedes: Official Order 10-07, dated April 19, 2022

Distribution: Department Members

PURPOSE: This Order establishes department policy related to vehicle escorts.

10-07-1 COORDINATION AND PLANNING

- A. The Operations Section shall be the point of contact and coordination for all vehicle escort requests from the military, sports teams, or celebrities. Requests received at the district/division or worksite level shall be directed to the Operations Section at 1-517-241-8000 or 1-800-525-5555.
- B. The Operations Section shall coordinate with the affected worksite to ensure that resources are available at the date and time the vehicle escort is needed.
- Governor's Executive Protection personnel may be consulted when planning for a vehicle escort.
- D. The post commander or their designee with responsibility for the final destination of the vehicle in question shall make arrangements to meet the vehicle to be escorted at a location within their post area and escort it to its final destination.
- E. Members shall not provide a vehicle escort across the entire state due to staffing and traffic safety concerns.

10-07-2 MILITARY CONVOY ESCORTS

- A. A post commander who becomes aware of a military convoy traveling in their post area shall, when operationally possible, station at least one, and optimally two, patrol vehicles at the returning military convoy's point of entry into the state of Michigan.
- B. Enlisted members shall activate the overhead lights on their patrol vehicles. Enlisted members are encouraged to exit their vehicles, stand at attention by their patrol vehicles, and render a salute as the convoy passes.

10-07-3 MILITARY FUNERAL ESCORTS

A. A post commander who becomes aware of an upcoming burial in their post area of an Armed Forces member killed in action shall make arrangements to have at least one enlisted member in a fully-marked patrol vehicle meet the funeral procession at a location within the destination county and escort it to the burial site.

B. Post commanders shall notify their district commander of upcoming military funeral escorts at least 48 hours prior to doing so.

10-07-4 FUNERAL PROCESSIONS

- A. Requests for vehicle escorts for non-member funeral processions may be granted upon the approval of the affected district commander.
- B. Enlisted members escorting funeral processions shall do so with their patrol vehicle's emergency lights activated, but they shall not attempt to stop the flow of traffic through intersections to keep the procession from having to stop.
- C. Motor officers escorting funeral processions shall ride at the front of the procession with their motorcycle's emergency lights activated. They shall not attempt to control traffic at intersections and shall not "leapfrog" one another, wherein one officer rides up to block an intersection as the other leaves for the next intersection.

10-07-5 VEHICLE OPERATION AND MEMBER PARTICIPATION

- A. Enlisted members providing vehicle escorts shall abide by the policies for emergency vehicle operation listed in written directive related to emergency driving.
- B. Motor officers may ride motorcycles for special events with the permission of their worksite commander.
- C. Motor officers shall not solicit the public to participate in special events.

DIRECTOR

Annual Review Responsibility: Field Operations Bureau

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