DEPARTMENTAL GENERAL ORDER 13-105

ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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INDOOR CLEAN AIR FOR POLICE FACILITIES AND VEHICLES

I. <u>PURPOSE</u>

The purpose of this order is to enforce Chapter 605, the Indoor Clean Air Code, of the St. Louis County Revised Ordinances. The purpose of that ordinance is to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents of St. Louis County by decreasing exposure to secondhand smoke; and to create smoke-free environments for workers, patrons and visitors to places of employment and all other public places within the County.

II. **DEFINITIONS**

- A. Place of employment: Any enclosed area under the control of the St Louis County Police Department that employees normally frequent during the course of employment, including but not limited to work areas, employee lounges and restrooms, conference rooms and classrooms, employee cafeterias, hallways and vehicles.
- B. Employee: Any person who performs services for the St Louis County Police Department with or without compensation.
- C. Public Place: Any enclosed or other area to which the public is invited or in which the public is permitted, including, but not limited to reception areas, waiting rooms and vehicles.
- D. Smoking: Inhaling, exhaling, burning or carrying any lighted or heated cigar, cigarette, pipe or other tobacco product.

III. POLICY

- A. No person may possess lighted or heated smoking materials in any form, including but not limited to the possession of lighted or heated: cigarettes, cigars, pipes or other tobacco products within any Place of Employment or Public Place of the St Louis County Police Department.
- B. No person may possess lighted or heated smoking materials in any form, including but not limited to the possession of lighted or heated: cigarettes, cigars, pipes or other tobacco products within any Place of Employment in which the St Louis County Police Department is engaged in a contractual relationship or the Public Places over which the St Louis County Police Department has control over as a result of that contract.
- C. No person may possess lighted or heated smoking materials in any form, including but not limited to the possession of lighted or heated: cigarettes, cigars, pipes or other tobacco products within any vehicle owned, operated, or leased by the St Louis County Police Department.

IV. <u>SMOKING</u>

- A. Smoking is permitted in areas under the control of the St Louis County Police Department that do not constitute a Public Place or Place of Employment. These would consist of any area that is not an enclosed area.
- B. Employees who smoke and operate any vehicle of the St Louis County Police Department and are radio responsive are reminded that they are responsible for monitoring and responding to radio traffic while outside of their vehicle.

Adopted by Command Staff

By order of:

COLONEL TIMOTHY E. FITCH Chief of Police

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Approved at the regular Board meeting of February 20, 2013

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