

**STOCKTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**GENERAL ORDER**

**NOTIFICATION OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**  
**SUBJECT**

**DATE:** March 28, 2019

**NO:** C-2

**FROM:** CHIEF ERIC JONES

**TO:** ALL PERSONNEL

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Chief of Police Notification

**I. POLICY**

Notification of the Chief of Police of events or situations of such importance as to require his immediate attention, shall be by the Chain of Command. This General Order shall serve as a policy guideline for such notification, but is not all-inclusive.

**II. PROCEDURE**

A. The Watch Commander or any other Commander learning of such an incident shall follow his/her chain of command.

1. The Watch Commander shall ensure that proper notifications are made to the Department Legal Advisor of situations involving department employees, SWAT exercises, or potential lawsuits.

**III. POLICY GUIDELINES**

A. The following events or situations are included in a listing of reasons the Chief of Police should receive special notification:

1. Serious injury requiring hospitalization overnight or death of an employee while on duty or in the performance of a police function or purpose.
2. The death of a retired member of the department or the death of an employee while off duty.
3. An internal investigation of a personnel complaint, which, if substantiated, could result in an employee being charged with a misdemeanor or felony.
4. Implementation of the Incident Command System.
5. Third or greater alarm fire.
6. Civil Defense activation (flood, earthquake, an airplane crash, a train wreck, civil disturbance, etc.).
7. Mutual aid requests.
8. Other significant incidents requiring a response from multiple agencies, organizations, or City departments.
9. Major criminal activity of an unusual or spectacular nature (assassination or attempted assassination of a public official; an unusual or very newsworthy major felony investigation).
10. A riot, gang war, or other mob-type activity (including reliable advance notification and intelligence).

11. Any action of an employee which results in the death or serious injury to another person (discharge of a firearm, vehicle accident, use of force, etc.).
  12. Serious injury requiring hospitalization overnight or death of any prisoner in our custody.
  13. SWAT or EOD activation or call up.
  14. Homicides or suspicious deaths.
  15. Fatal traffic accidents including train versus pedestrian accidents.
  16. Shootings with multiple victims or other incidents involving multiple deaths or multiple serious injuries.
  17. Any incident requiring that detectives be called out.
  18. Bank robberies.
  19. Significant at-risk missing person investigations or high-profile missing persons investigations.
  20. Activation of the Amber Alert or Silver Alert Systems.
  21. Any significant incident involving a school or its students such as school lockdowns, attempted kidnapping of a student, violent crimes, school shooting threats, or robocalls.
  22. Warrant services by outside agencies without the assistance of Stockton Police Department SWAT.
  23. Any spectacular, particularly unusual, or newsworthy event involving an employee, whether on or off duty, which might adversely reflect upon the Department.
- B. Requests that the Chief of Police be contacted occasionally will be received from the City Manager, City Council Members, City Department Heads, or other public officials. In most cases, contact should be made, but the Watch Commander should use his/her discretion.
1. The Chief of Police also should be notified if any problems should arise, such as, but not limited to, a death, serious accident, serious fire, arrest, etc., involving the above officials.