



ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT
GENERAL ORDERS

SOP 1-60 (Formerly 5-3)

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1-60 INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE OPERATIONS

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

- [2-56 Use of Force: Reporting by Department Personnel](#)
- [2-57 Use of Force: Review and Investigation by Department Personnel](#)
- [5-1 Special Investigations Division](#)

B. Form(s)

None

C. Other Resource(s)

City of Albuquerque and Albuquerque Police Officers' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA)

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

None

1-60-1 Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the duties, functions, and responsibilities of sworn personnel who are assigned to an interagency task force operation.

1-60-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Albuquerque Police Department (Department) to participate in combined federal, state, and local law enforcement efforts to enhance public safety and to address the needs of the community.

N/A

1-60-3 Definitions

A. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

An agreement between the Department and a law enforcement agency.

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1-60-4 Rules and Responsibilities

A. Select Investigative Bureau detectives may participate in interagency task force operations as a Task Force Officer (TFO) with federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to:



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1. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF);
2. Department of Homeland Security Homeland Security Investigations (HSI);
3. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA);
4. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI); and
5. U.S. Marshals Service (USMS).

B. Chain of Command for TFO Participants

1. Consistent with SOP Special Investigations Division, a TFO participant shall follow the Department's chain of command and the host agency's chain of command.
 - a. In the event of a conflict, the Department's chain of command has final authority.
2. TFO participants shall retain their rights under the CBA and under federal and state laws to have representatives and/or attorneys present during any investigation involving their conduct.
3. The Chief of Police or their designee shall sign or terminate MOUs with federal, state, and local government agencies.
4. The host agency's supervisor directs day-to-day operations.

C. TFO Participant Rules and Responsibilities

1. A TFO participant shall:
 - a. Adhere to the federal task force operations procedures outlined in SOP Special Investigations Division;
 - b. Be assigned to an interagency task force operation based on the needs of the Department and at the discretion of the Investigative Services Division (ISD) Commander or their designee;
 - c. Follow the mission and guidelines provided by the host agency; and
 - d. Follow all policies, procedures, rules, and regulations of the host agency and the Department.
 - i. When working on a task force operation under the host agency and the agency's policy conflicts with Department policy, the agency's policy shall apply.
2. For a use of force incident during a task force operation under the host agency:
 - a. For a TFO participant who was involved in a use of force incident, they shall:



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- i. Follow the host agency's policies, current Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), the provisions in this Standard Operating Procedure (SOP), SOP Use of Force: Reporting by Department Personnel, and SOP Use of Force: Review and Investigation by Department Personnel for use of force reporting and investigations;
 - ii. After the use of force incident, when it is safe to do so, report all uses of force to their immediate Department supervisor and the host agency's chain of command either in person or by telephone; and
 - iii. Follow Department use of force requirements unless otherwise defined or addressed in the MOU.
- b. The TFO participant's immediate Department supervisor shall:
- i. Document all uses of force, consistent with SOP Use of Force: General and SOP Use of Force: Reporting by Department Personnel (refer to SOP Use of Force: General and SOP Use of Force: Reporting by Department Personnel for sanction classifications and additional duties).
- c. The Department may conduct concurrent force investigation(s) on all uses of force based on Department policies and procedures.