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COMPLIANCE EVALUATION

DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDER B-08: FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM



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RE: OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL'S COMPLIANCE EVALUATION OF THE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT'S FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM

Dear Members of the Public:

In 2020, over 81 percent of Oakland voters passed Measure S1 to strengthen the City's police reform efforts. Measure S1 established the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), as an independent civilian monitor and auditor of the Oakland Police Department (OPD) and Community Police Review Agency. Oakland City Charter Section 604(f)5 requires, in part, that the OIG audit OPD's compliance with the fifty-two (52) tasks described in the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA) and make recommendations to the appropriate entities.

For OIG's first NSA compliance evaluation, the office decided to focus on OPD's Field Training Program (FTP). The FTP was and remains a point of interest, given it is trainees first opportunity to work in the field, upon graduating from the Basic Recruit Academy ("Academy"). Additionally, the FTP often serves as trainees' initial exposure to police culture.

The objective of this compliance evaluation was to review the FTP, utilizing feedback from trainees who completed the full program. After a review of Departmental General Order B-08: Field Training Program, the OIG identified two objectives:

- 1. Determine if the Field Training Unit (FTU) interviews each trainee and ensures that the trainee completes a Personal Interview Questionnaire (PIQ) before they rotate Field Training Officers.
- 2. Determine if the FTU had been conducting three Focus Group Sessions (FGSs) and holding consistent Quarterly Panel Reviews.

The OIG focused on DGO B-08 as the criteria to measure compliance with these objectives. The evaluation reviewed PIQs from OPD 183rd Academy through the 187th Academy and questionnaires from 183rd Academy through the 186th Academy. It should be noted that some of these Academies matriculated during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In its review, the OIG found that the FTU conducts three focus group sessions, (1) at the program's midpoint, (2) at the program's conclusion, and (3) six months following the program. Furthermore, the office discovered that the FTU does not consistently hold the required Quarterly Panel Reviews meetings. Overall, the OIG determined OPD is generally compliant with the areas reviewed. Nevertheless, in this report, the



OIG recommends that OPD codify a streamlined process for the Quarterly Panel Reviews to improve meeting regularity.

Lastly, the OIG would like to acknowledge and commend the brave trainee who spoke out against the misconduct they observed in OPD, over 20 years ago. The information they provided was vital to the Delphine Allen et al. v. City of Oakland (also known as the Riders Case). As in the past, trainee feedback is critical to OPD's ongoing improvement and cultural change. The OIG looks forward to the continued partnership of community stakeholders to advance in police accountability in the City of Oakland.

Sincerely,

Inspector General Michelle N. Phillips

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ACRONYM LIST

BFO	Bureau of Field Operations
DGO	Departmental General Order
FGS	Focus Group Session
FGQ	Focus Group Questionnaire
FTO	Field Training Officer
FTP	Field Training Program
FTU	Field Training Unit
LEFTA	Law Enforcement Field Training Application
NSA	Negotiated Settlement Agreement
OIA	Office of Internal Accountability
OIG	Office of the Inspector General
OPD	Oakland Police Department
PIQ	Personal Interview Questionnaire
POST	Peace Officer Standards and Training
QPR	Quarterly Panel Review

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Field Training Programs (FTPs) are a critical component of a new officer's introduction to department culture, proper techniques to interact with the community, and varied policing and safety strategies. Field Training Officers (FTOs) are selected by the department to guide trainees through the program and prepare them to serve the community as solo officers. Feedback collected from trainees are key to assessing the effectiveness of the FTP in instilling the competencies of policing strategies.

The objective of this compliance evaluation is to review the Oakland Police Department's FTP, through the feedback received from trainees, who completed the program. OPD's program guidelines are outlined in Task 42 of the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA) and detailed in their Departmental General Order (DGO) B-08: Field Training Program.

To properly gather all pertinent information, the OIG identified two objectives:

- 1. Determine if the Field Training Unit (FTU) interviews each trainee and ensures that the trainee completes a Personal Interview Questionnaire (PIQ) before they rotate FTOs.
- 2. Determine if the FTU had been conducting three Focus Group Sessions (FGSs) and holding consistent Quarterly Panel Reviews (QPRs).

The OIG focused on DGO B-08 as the criteria to be used to ensure compliance with the set objectives. Evaluation of compliance with the DGO B-08 required the OIG to:

- Interview OPD's FTU personnel
- Collect and analyze trainee questionnaires
- Observe a QPR meeting
- Collect and analyze QPR documents
- Review policies and procedures

Findings

The OIG conducted this compliance evaluation in accordance with the Quality Standards for Inspections, Evaluations, and Reviews outlined in *Association of Inspectors General Principles and standards for Offices of Inspector General*. Following this compliance evaluation, the OIG identified the following three findings and submitted them to OPD for review and response:

Finding 1: The FTU distributes and collects PIQs from trainees after each completed rotation in the FTP.

Finding 2: The FTU conducts three FGSs, (1) at program mid-point, (2) at the conclusion or end of the program, and (3) six months after completion of the program.

Finding 3: The FTU's chain of command does not consistently hold the required QPR meetings.

Recommendations and Considerations

To optimize compliance with DGO B-08, the OIG submitted the following recommendation and considerations to OPD for their review.

Recommendation 1: Codify a consistent and streamlined process for the QPRs.

Consideration 1: Create a streamlined process to collect, store, and disseminate trainee feedback. **Consideration 2:** Consider reexamining the number of training hours allocated for classroom instruction prior to trainee entering the FTP.

OPD's Official Response

OPD's official response to the OIG's compliance evaluation of DGO-B08 can be found in the appendix.

INTRODUCTION

Purpose, Authority, and Jurisdiction

In 2016, City of Oakland residents voted to approve <u>Measure LL</u>. This measure established the <u>Oakland Police Commission</u> (Commission) and charged it with ensuring accountability in the Oakland Police Department (OPD), as it relates to constitutional policing, procedural justice, and equity. Measure LL also created the <u>Community Police Review Agency</u>, an independent oversight body tasked with investigating public complaints of individual allegations of police misconduct.

In 2020, <u>Measure S1</u> was passed to amend the City Charter and enhance Oakland's police reform efforts. Measure S1 established the independent civilian <u>Office of the Inspector General</u> (OIG), which is overseen by the Commission. The OIG is responsible for auditing and monitoring OPD's compliance with policies, procedures, and the fifty-two tasks outlined in the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA), during federal oversight and after it ends. The OIG's function is to identify systemic issues within OPD and recommend further accountability measures, to decrease instances of police misconduct.

The OIG has adopted the <u>Association of Inspectors General Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspectors General</u>, also known as the Green Book. The OIG uses nationally recognized standards while conducting its audits, inspections, reviews, and evaluations. These assessments may result in reports and recommendations that will be distributed to the appropriate action holder (Oakland Police Commission, City Council, Mayor, OPD etc...). Action holders have the authority to accept or reject the OIG's recommendations. If accepted, they also have the responsibility to ensure the implementation of recommendations.² The OIG executes its duties in a neutral, non-political environment free from interference from any person, group, or organization. To ensure autonomy, the office is administratively, physically, and operationally independent from OPD.

Mission

The mission of the OIG is to be an independent, non-partisan oversight agency that will assist with increasing community trust and ensuring accountability within OPD. In its administration of duties, the OIG implements a fair, thorough, and autonomous system of civilian oversight of law enforcement. This is accomplished by conducting detailed, objective, and timely audits, reviews, inspections, and evaluations. The OIG drives best practices by recommending improvements to OPD's policies and trainings, as well as engaging in collaborative initiatives that promote systemic advancements.

Vision

The OIG's vision is to build community trust in civilian oversight of law enforcement through fostering a culture of impartiality, transparency, and accountability.

¹ Delphine Allen, et al., v. City of Oakland, et al. led to the Negotiated Settlement Agreement (NSA). The NSA requires police reforms in several areas, including internal affairs, supervision of officers, police use of force, training, personnel practices, and community policing.

² On occurrence, the action holder can be the department or agency being audited or reviewed.

BACKGROUND

History and Purpose of the FTP Concept

The purpose of the FTP is to introduce new officers to the practical application of the procedures and policies learned while in the Basic Recruit Academy (Academy). The program also introduces practical training experiences specific to the day-to-day duties of its officers. These programs are intended to facilitate an officer's transition from an academic setting to the performance of patrol duties.³

Academy to Field Training

The Academy is paramount in preparing trainee for the roles, responsibilities, and activities they assume independently in the field.⁴ The flow of information from individuals, who have graduated from the Academy, continues through the FTP. Therefore, participants in the program must have the opportunity to share comments, questions and concerns. A feedback loop provides information to the Field Training Program Coordinator, which will assist with improvements for future participants. From the OIG's research, several publications showcase that the FTP has a significant and critical role:

The FTO is the essential means of achieving the program's goal. Specifically, that goal is the production of a police officer able to work a solo assignment safely, skillfully, and professionally. The FTO has two primary roles to fulfill: that of a patrol officer assuming full Area and Team responsibility, and that of a trainer of recruit personnel. In the role of trainer, the FTO provides ongoing instruction in the traditional sense, utilizing innovative and practical techniques.⁵

NSA and Department Policy Requirements for the FTP

The NSA and DGOs outline guidelines and requirements for the FTP. Within the NSA, the program is delineated in Task 42, Section VIII (Appendix C). However, the contents of the agreement do not discuss the program in the same granular detail as the departmental policy. The NSA outlines:

Within 323 days of the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall develop and implement a plan to enhance its FTP. This plan shall address the criteria and method for selecting FTOs, the training provided to FTOs to perform their duty, supervision, and evaluation of FTOs, the length of time that trainee spend in the program, and the methods by which FTOs assess and evaluate trainee in field

³ https://post.ca.gov/portals/0/post_docs/publications/field-training-program/FTP/FTP-Vol1.pdf

⁴https://www.researchgate.net/publication/238497768_Predicting_State_Police_Officer_Performance_in_the_Field_Training_Officer_Program_What_Can_We_Learn_from_the_Cadet's_Performance_in_the_Training_Academyfile:///C:/Users/landerson2/Downloads/CaroFTO2011.pdf

⁵ https://www.ojp.gov/pdffiles1/Digitization/105773NCJRS.pdf

training. The plan must ensure proper reporting, review, and approval of probationary officers' reports. ⁶

The NSA further describes areas of implementation for OPD to meet compliance with Task 42, which were incorporated in DGO B-08. The areas are highlighted in Table 1.

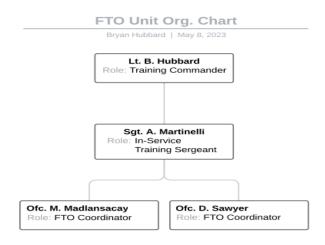
Task 42 Policy Requirements for DGO B-08		
Field Training Program	Daily Evaluation Audit	
Trainee Rotation	Trainee Assignment	
FTO Participation Incentives	Field Commander and FTO	
	Supervisor Training	
FTO Candidate Nomination and	Focus Groups	
Requirements		
Decertification	Consistency of Training	
FTO Assignment	FTO Evaluation	

As of the Twenty-First Quarterly Report of the Independent Monitor for the Oakland Police Department dated May 4, 2015, Task 42 was found in compliance with phase 1 and phase 2 of NSA requirements.⁷

The Department's FTP

OPD's FTU operates within the Bureau of Field Operations (BFO) and is responsible for administering the FTP. Figure 1 showcases OPD's current Field Training Unit Organizational Chart.

Figure 1: Field Training Officer Unit Organizational Chart



⁶ Delphine Allen, et al., v. City of Oakland, et al.

⁷ https://oaklandca.s3.us-west-

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The FTU is primarily managed by the Field Training Program Coordinator. OPD's field training manual states, "Every trainee must be given the opportunity to demonstrate that they have the ability to perform as a solo patrol officer." Moreover, the philosophy instructs FTOs to create an equitable teaching environment that places evaluation secondary to teaching. It is also a critical aspect of training and introduces trainees to department culture and community interactions, while guiding them through lawful job execution.

OPD's program is a total of 16 weeks if the trainee does not need additional training time. According to FTU personnel, the FTP assigns trainees with veteran officers to provide hands-on experience and guidance on the job prior to conducting official duties alone. Trainees are required to complete assigned rotations with four different FTOs, at four-week training intervals, as outlined in Table 2.

Table 2: Field Training Officer Rotation Schedule

PHASE	LENGTH OF ASSIGNMENT	FIELD TRAINING OFFICER
1	Weeks 1-4	Primary FTO
2	Weeks 5-8	Second FTO
3	Weeks 9-12	Third FTO
4	Weeks 13-16	Return to Primary FTO

Typically, a trainee's primary FTO will be assigned to them for the first and fourth rotation. During field training, the FTOs conduct daily evaluations of trainees in 35 separate categories that are defined by the Standardized Evaluation Guidelines. 11 OPD trains FTOs to use different learning styles such as visual, auditory, or tactile/kinesthetic. FTOs are instructed to be aware of a trainee's learning style and modify their teaching approach for optimal retention. 12

OPD's Criteria for the FTP

OPD's governing policy for the FTP is DGO B-08, which states the FTU must administer the program policies and procedures to meet standards set by the California Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). According to POST standards, FTPs must perform evaluations within specific timeframes (daily, weekly, and at the end of each phase) to receive feedback on the trainees' experiences throughout the program. Evaluations document a trainee's progress and performance while identifying training needs and documenting training efforts. OPD's program model follows these core objectives.

Similar to Task 42, DGO B-08 delineates policy requirements for the FTU. However, DGO B-08 outlined additional requirements, mandates, and objectives as outlined in Table 3.

⁸ OPD Field Training Manual, pg. 3

⁹ Trainees are new officers who are currently in the field training program.

¹⁰ Veteran officers are considered seasoned officers with years of experience within the Department

¹¹ Field Training Manual, pg. 2

¹² Field Training Manual, pg. 24

¹³ https://public.powerdms.com/oakland/tree/documents/30

¹⁴ https://post.ca.gov/portals/0/post_docs/publications/field-training-program/FTP/FTP-Vol1.pdf

Table 3: DGO B-08 Policy Requirements

FTU Duties and Responsibilities	Field Training Meetings
FTO Recruitment, Nomination and Testing	FTO Decertification
FTO Screening, Candidate Selection, Certification	FTO Recertification
Course, and FTO Certification	
Assignments, Training Schedules, and Restrictions	Written Reports, Due Dates, and
	Distribution
Trainee Removal	FTP Incentives
Lateral Officer Early Release from Field Training	FTP Review

OPD's Last Compliance Review

In 2021, OPD's Office of Internal Accountability (OIA), released its 4th Quarterly Report that reviewed subsections of Task 42. The focus of that report was the selection, decertification, and training requirements of FTOs. In their evaluation, the OIA found that some required documents were absent in FTO files. Additionally, not all certification and recertification processes complied with policy requirements. Based on those findings, the OIA recommended that OPD update its FTO nomination forms and retrain FTU personnel on the field training policy to ensure compliance.¹⁵ While this review is crucial to a successful program, there remains a gap from the trainees' perspective.

OBJECTIVE, SCOPE, & METHODOLOGY

Objectives

The following objectives were identified for this compliance evaluation:

- 1. Determine if the FTU interviews each trainee and has them complete a PIQ before the trainee rotates FTOs.
 - a. Review how concerns are documented
 - b. Review how long concerns are archived
- 2. Determine if the FTU has been conducting three Focus Group Sessions (FGS) and holding consistent QPRs
 - a. Mid-point; approximately eight weeks into field training
 - b. End of FTP
 - c. Six months after the completion of field training

¹⁵ https://cao-94612.s3.amazonaws.com/documents/OIG-2021-4th-Quarterly-Report-FINAL.pdf

Scope

This report will focus on compliance with DGO B-08: Field Training Program. The OIG will collect data about trainees' experiences through PIQs and FGSs with adjoining FGQs. ¹⁶ The evaluation will review PIQs from OPD 183rd Academy through the 187th Academy and questionnaires from 183rd Academy through the 186th Academy. Additionally, OIG will observe two FGSs to obtain a more comprehensive understanding of the trainee feedback process. Lastly, the OIG will attend and observe a QPR.

Methodology

To identify the data available for review, there were a series of informational interviews with OPD. During these interviews, OPD explained the internal processes utilized to gather feedback from trainees about their field training experience. To evaluate compliance with the stated objectives, the OIG collected, reviewed, and analyzed the following data and documents associated with the FTU:

- NSA Task 42's FTP Section
- DGO B-08
- 194 PIQs
- 2 FGS Observations
- 79 FGQs
- OPD's Field Training Manual
- 1 OPR Observation
- OPR Documents
 - o Memos
 - Roster of Attendees
 - PowerPoint Presentations

Methodology Considerations and Limitations

During the planning phase of this compliance evaluation, the OIG considered whether to review similar information that critiqued the program from the viewpoint of the FTOs. This perspective was also raised by FTU personnel that oversee the training program, as a point of consideration. However, the perspective of the trainee allows for a more inclusive and actionable assessment of the effectiveness of the FTP. Ultimately, the OIG evaluation team decided the trainees' perspective was a unique and largely unresearched component of FTPs. The OIG will consider evaluating the perspectives of FTU personnel and FTOs during subsequent reviews or evaluations of this program.

Additionally, OPD explained that some PIQ and FGQ respondents are no longer employed OPD. This change in employment status of some respondents could skew results if a respondent was not

¹⁶ Revision of DGO B-08, Field Training Program, accessed June 30, 2022, chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oakca1/groups/police/documents/webc ontent/oak047637.pdf.

able to submit all PIQs or FGQs prior to their separation. In most cases, evaluations around employment fluctuations in staffing, may impact feedback results. ¹⁷ However, the OIG noticed the overall responses remained constant as outlined in the analysis section. This limitation would be the same for those that sustained injuries prior to program completion, which would have delayed their conclusion date.

As a limitation, the FTU and the OIG agreed to exclude the 187th Academy from this evaluation. During the field work phase, the 187th Academy had yet to complete all focus groups. Subsequently, the OIG decided to exclude the first round of FGQs that were completed because the analysis would not include the same volume of responses as the other academy classes.

Lastly, the OIG did not review if trainee feedback resulted in any changes in the FTP, as it fell outside of the defined objectives. The OIG anticipates reviewing this objective in the future.

Standards

The OIG conducted this compliance evaluation in accordance with the Quality Standards for Inspections, Evaluations, and Reviews by Offices of Inspector General found in the Association of Inspectors General's Principles and Standards for Offices of Inspector General (i.e., "The Green Book").

ANALYSIS

Data Selection Process

The OIG requested data from trainees that completed all required PIQs, and associated FGQs to ensure a complete rendering of information throughout the training process. Therefore, at the time of data collection, and to maintain relevant and timely information, OIG reviewed:

- Trainee responses from the 183rd Academy to the 187th Academy for PIQ review
- Trainee responses from the 183rd Academy to the 186th Academy for FGQ review

Furthermore, the OIG reviewed the top five and bottom five performers of an average 20-30 trainees of each Academy. This information was provided by the FTU supervisors, via their performance tracking system, Law Enforcement Field Training Application (LEFTA).¹⁸

PIQ Information & Phases

The supervisory personnel of the FTU administers and collects PIQs after the completion of each phase of the field training process and post-field training.¹⁹ In total, 194 questionnaires were

¹⁷ The OIG's focus for this compliance evaluation did not focus on the number of trainees who did not complete the FTP, that area of the FTP will be considered at a later date.

¹⁸ LEFTA Systems partners with OPD to provide performance-tracking software specifically for field training. <u>Field Training Software (FTO) For Police & Law Enforcement | LEFTA (leftasystems.org)</u>

¹⁹ Example survey questionnaire can be found in Appendix

collected from the selected training classes for review by the OIG and FTU personnel. The phases when the PIQs are administered are outlined in Table 4.

Table 4: Field Training Phases (By Week)

Field Training Phase	Weeks Completed
Phase 1	17-20
Phase 2	21-24
Phase 3	25-28
Phase 4	29-32

The PIQ instructs the trainee to answer two prompts:

- 1. Do you have any questions or concerns regarding the quality of training provided to you by your current Field Training Officer?
- 2. Do you believe the Field Training Program is providing you with the training and resources necessary to become a safe, skillful, productive, and professional police officer?

Each prompt allows a "yes" or "no" response. There is also a comment section to allow the trainee an opportunity to provide context or justification for their response. In total, 194 PIQs were collected from the selected training classes.

Focus Groups

The FTU conducts trainee focus groups after the completion of each phase of the field training process and six months post-field training. The three FGSs and adjoining FGQs are held during the normal training course and six months after field training is completed.

A group of approximately six to eight trainees from the class is selected by FTU personnel according to procedure, to participate in the FGSs. FTU personnel explained that they select trainees for each session so there is no overlap in feedback or exclusion based on performance. Those selected receive a paper handout of the prompts from the FGQ to be asked and discussed during the in-person session. Trainee participants are expected to complete the FGQ before the focus group and share their feedback amongst the group, including with the OPD facilitator. The FGQ instructs the trainee to answer six prompts:

- 1. Have you encountered any discrepancies between what is taught in the Basic Recruit Academy and what is taught in the Field Training Program?
 - a. If yes, please explain the situation and describe the discrepancy in detail
- 2. Have you experienced any situation where a Field Training Officer provided information that was different from an Academy Instructor and Training Staff Member?
 - a. If yes, please explain the situation and describe what was different
- 3. Now that you have completed the first 8 weeks of the Field Training Program, do you feel the Basic Recruit Academy properly prepared you to enter the Field Training Program?

- a. If not, please list what area(s) you feel needed more preparation time, how much time you believe should have been provided, and the best method to provide the information.
- 4. Now that you have completed 8 weeks of the Field Training Program, do you feel the program is properly preparing you to become a solo officer in the Patrol Division?
 - a. If not, please list what area(s) you feel needed more preparation time, how much time you believe should have been provided, and the best method to provide the information.
- 5. What do you feel is the most difficult part of Field Training?
- 6. Please provide any suggestions or comments you have for improving either the Basic Recruit Academy or the Field Training Program.

The FGQ prompts allow for a response of "yes" or "no" and has a comment section for additional context. A total of 79 FGQs were collected for review.

PIQ Results

As mentioned above, the OIG reviewed 194 PIQs.²⁰ For the first prompt, "*Do you have questions or concerns about the training provided by the FTO*", two participants responded "yes" to the question as displayed in Figure 2. One participant indicated in the comment section that they believed their FTO could "be more patient and share their feelings."





The second prompt asked, "Do you feel the program provided sufficient training and resources to become a professional police officer." Figure 3 displays the responses to that question. Of the

²⁰ The 194 surveys were selected from trainees that span five different Academy classes matriculated through the FTP. Please see the Methodology section of report for the selection process.

responses three participants of the 194 responded "no". Regarding the responses for the second prompt, there was one trainee that provided additional feedback stating, "I would like more time to learn things."

Figure 3: FTP Training & Resources Assessment

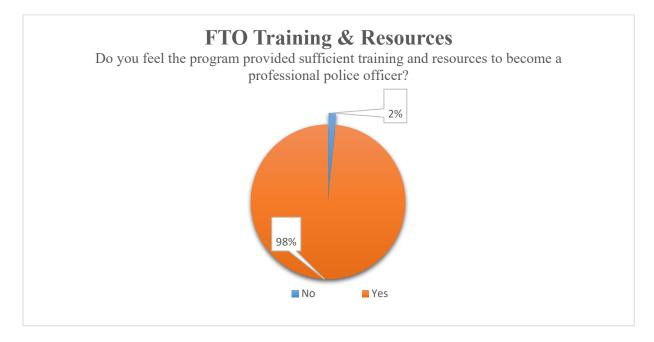
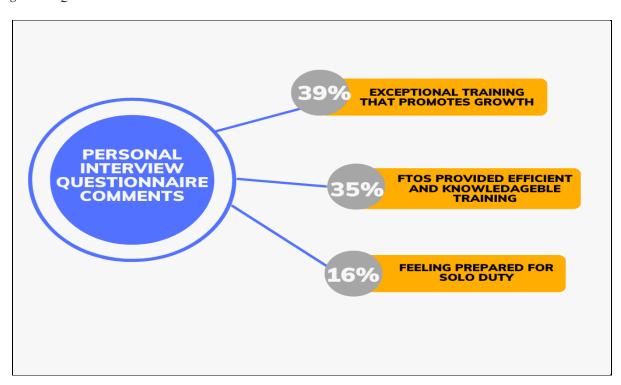


Figure 4, showcases trainees most frequent comments on the PIQ:

Figure 4: PIQ Comments



FGQ Trainee Responses

As illustrated in percentages in Figure 5, of the 79 trainees FGQs that the OIG reviewed, two noted that they experienced discrepancies in materials they received. ²¹ The materials they referred to, were supplemental instruction materials in the Academy they were provided and materials or information they were taught in field training with their assigned FTOs. ²²

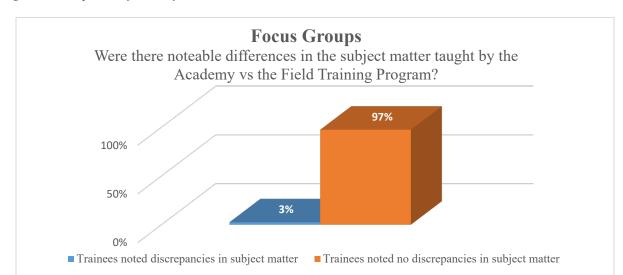
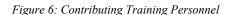


Figure 5: Discrepancies of Academy vs. FTP

When asked whether there were "Discrepancies in information provided between FTO and Academy/Academy Staff", all 79 trainees stated that there were none. Figure 6 illustrates this 1:1 correlation.



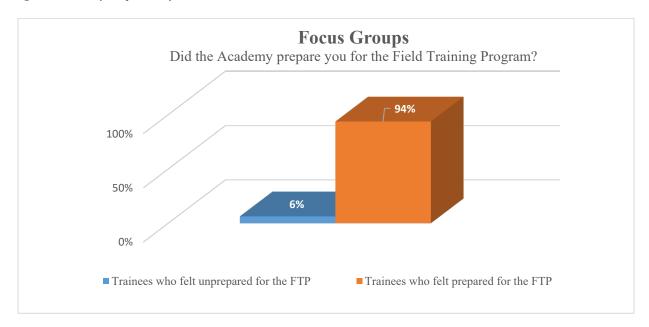


²¹ The 79 FGQs were selected from trainees spanning four different Academy classes that matriculated through the FTP. Please see the Methodology section of report for the selection process.

²² No additional comments were provided here as explanations of those discrepancies.

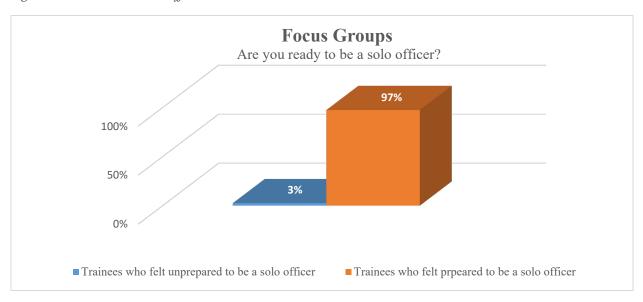
Five of the 79 trainees noted they felt the Academy did not prepare them to enter the FTP, as outlined in Figure 7.

Figure 7: Academy Preparation for FTP



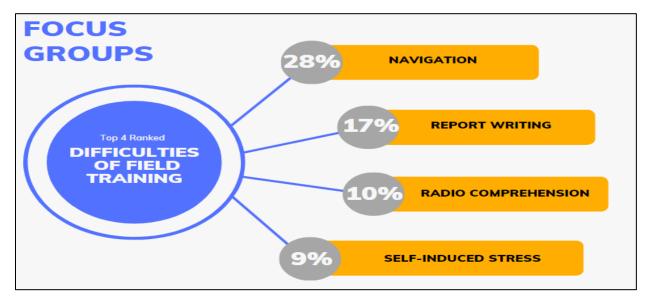
To that end, trainees stated they needed more training time on report writing, radio comprehension, and patrol procedures. Additionally, trainees commented that ride-a-longs with patrol officers would be helpful. Regarding whether field training properly prepared them to become a solo officer, two out of 79 trainees believed the training did not properly prepare them to become a solo officer, as reflected in percentages in Figure 8. Moreover, trainees noted that they learned more in Phase 2 but needed more assistance with report writing and computer training.

Figure 8: Readiness to be a solo officer



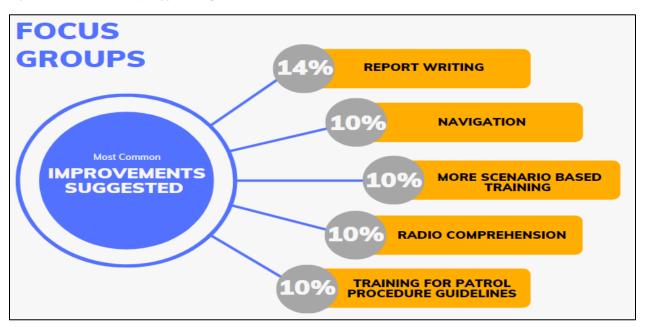
When trainees were asked, "What do you feel is the difficult part of field training?" they provided descriptive responses. The OIG created four different categories of the most frequent trainee response, as shown in Figure 9.²³

Figure 9: Difficulties of Field Training



When asked for suggestions or comments to improve the FTP or Academy, the trainees most frequently stated more training or classroom time should be allocated to the areas outlined in Figure 10.

Figure 10: FTP or Academy Suggested Improvements



²³ The complete list and enumeration can be found in the Appendix

OPR Meetings

DGO B-08 details the process for a QPR, which is held to discuss feedback from FGSs. The panel consists of the BFO Deputy Chief, Bureau of Services Deputy Chief, Training Section Commander, and the Field Training Program Coordinator. The panel discusses discrepancies identified during the sessions and determines a course of action for each. If reforms are needed, the panel ensures they are implemented when it is practical.²⁴ Additionally, the panel may remove an FTO for cause as outlined in the policy. After each quarterly meeting is held, the Field Training Program Coordinator must draft a memo summarizing each meeting and submit to all parties involved on the panel and the Chief of Police.

The OIG reviewed available panel memos and corresponding documents provided by OPD. The OIG also, observed the QPR held April 20, 2023, to discuss the results of the first quarter. The QPRs held beginning in the third quarter of 2020 are outlined in Table 5. Of the reviews held, only the QPR in 2023 has a subsequent memo that was drafted and sent to the Chief of Police. It must be noted that participant rosters were collected for the reviews conducted in 2022 and 2023. OPD stated that while these meetings were held, at times, conflicting schedules of those involved would hinder the meetings from taking place within a specified timeframe. As shared, there were large gaps of time when the meetings did not take place, nor were those missed meetings rescheduled for a later date. This implies that the timing of program reforms based on trainee feedback could be delayed. Additionally, it must be noted that during the review period there was a global pandemic occurring that also impacted OPD priorities.

Table 5: 2020-2023 Completed QPRs

2020-2023 Completed QPRs		
2020 1st QPR	None	
2020 2 nd QPR	None	
2020 3 rd QPR	Completed	
2020 4 th QPR	Completed	
2021 1st QPR	Completed	
2021 2 nd QPR	None	
2021 3 rd QPR	None	
2021 4 th QPR	None	
2022 1st QPR	Completed	
2022 2 nd QPR	Completed	
2022 3 rd QPR	None	
2022 4 th QPR	None	
2023 1st QPR	Completed (observed by OIG)	

²⁴ OPD considers resources, timing, policies, and laws to determine practicality.

Data Analysis Limitations

For context, disparities in responses are expected if responses are provided on a form and submitted later, instead of respondents participating in an in-person focus group. In person focus groups does not allow for anonymity between trainee and their peers. Moreover, the OIG observed through data collection, that trainee that participated in the last two rounds of focus groups articulated more feedback and suggestions on what they felt would improve the program. This is also expected due to the nature of real-world application. However, additional insight from trainees in the comment section of the form was not provided.

FINDINGS

Finding 1: The FTU distributes and collects a PIQ from trainees after each completed rotation in the FTP.

The OIG sought to determine if the FTU interviews each trainee by ensuring they complete a PIQ after rotating to the next phase and FTO. The PIQ allows trainee to raise questions/concerns about the quality of training received and to advise them of the option to report misconduct. The OIG found that this was the case.

Finding 2: The FTU conducts three FGSs at the program mid-point, the end, and six months after the completion of the FTP.

The second objective was to determine if the FTU has been conducting three FGSs (mid-point, end, and six months after) with randomly selected trainee to assess consistency between what is taught in the Academy and field training for the last two years. Here, the OIG found that this was the case.

Finding 3: The FTU's chain of command does not consistently hold the required QPRs.

The OIG discovered that multiple QPR meetings to discuss trainee feedback and assess discrepancies were not held in 2020, 2021, and the first half of 2022. Additionally, the FTU does not have a streamlined process for the timeframe in which they are scheduled. It is important that all levels of the OPD reviews issues that arise from the trainee perspective, so any deficits are not repeated in upcoming trainee classes.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In support of the ongoing reforms and enhancements of OPD's field training, the OIG submits one recommendation for the FTU's consideration.

Recommendation 1: Codify a consistent and streamlined process for the QPRs within DGO B-08.

The training process for incoming police officers that prepares them for solo, active duty is vital to the success of public safety and building community trust. Part of that success is the internal controls in place that monitor when program and training protocols need to be redefined or enforced. The QPRs are a key component of those necessary internal controls. Therefore, OPD

management must prioritize a consistent timetable to meet, review, discuss, and resolve discrepancies within the FTP, especially those that originate from trainee feedback.

CONSIDERATIONS

The OIG suggests that OPD should consider the option of streamlining the information and trainee feedback collected electronically, including how information is stored, analyzed, and disseminated. It would likely benefit the FTP to have the data readily accessible and collated in a way to quickly highlight any deficits and trends. The OIG recognizes this may not be a possibility as OPD continues to navigate through the ransomware attack, but the OIG hopes this could be a conversation for the near future.

Lastly, while the number of trainees that felt the FTP did not adequately prepare them areas is relatively small, it is these officers that should be allowed additional training. The OIG suggests for OPD to reexamine the justification and cost benefits, if any, of the decrease in time police trainees spend in the Academy. In the field of policing, one officer's lack of understanding or misinterpretation of training could be detrimental to the execution of their duties and possibly become a perilous circumstance.

CONCLUSION

OPD complies with most aspects of DGO B-08 except for the required quarterly panel reviews. Understanding the challenges faced by OPD during the global pandemic, that could have impacted certain areas of the FTO program. To execute and maintain a robust field training program that introduces trainee to a culture of respect, accountability, peacekeeping and public servantry, OPD must require the utmost dedication and patience to its FTU. All levels must support the training mission and needs, as well as collect and analyze trainee feedback for possible program reforms. Additionally, utilizing technology to process trainee feedback could optimize the program efficiency and the quality of officers it produces. ²⁵ The OIG anticipates a thorough policy analysis of DGO B-08 to eliminate deficiencies and enhance the FTP. The OIG looks forward to continued and ongoing reforms.

 $^{^{25}\} https://post.ca.gov/portals/0/post_docs/publications/field-training-program/FTP/FTP-Vol1.pdf$

APPENDIX A: OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT'S RESPONSE



INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Inspector General **FROM:** Chief Darren Allison

Oakland Police Department

SUBJECT: 2023 AUDIT OF FIELD DATE: July 13, 2023

TRAINING UNIT

Chief of Police Approval Date: 1 Aug 23

The purpose of this memorandum is to respond to the Office of the Inspector General's 2023 Audit of the Field Training Unit policy and procedures. I appreciate the thoroughness of the review and the thoughtful recommendations emanating from it and ordered the Bureau of Risk Management review the findings, synthesize them with current practices, and initiate procedural changes to accommodate the recommendations listed.

The personnel assigned to the Bureau of Risk Management (BRM), which encompasses the Training Section, take great pride in the Field Training Program's (FTP) success. They welcomed the suggestions from the OIG and were pleased with the OIG's opinion, "As shown in the findings, the OIG found the FTU and program in need of minimal reforms."

Recommendation 1: Codify a consistent and streamlined process for the QPRs within DGO B-08.

Department General Order (DGO) B-08 – Field Training outlines the process for Quarterly Panel Reviews (QPRs). The Field Training Unit (FTU) arranges a QPR to discuss feedback from Focus Group Sessions held within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter. The panel discusses all discrepancies identified during the Focus Group Sessions and determines a course of action for each. The panel assesses the underlying reasons for the appearance of any and all discrepancies. In the event an identified discrepancy is serious, it may warrant the FTO's removal from the program. Following a QPR, the FTU prepares a memorandum documenting the results and disseminates it to all involved parties as well as the Chief of Police.

However, the OIG provides further context for its recommendation as to what a *streamlined* process would entail.

Consideration 1: Create a streamlined process to collect, store, and disseminate trainee feedback.

The OIG suggests that OPD should consider the option of streamlining the information and trainee feedback collected **electronically** (emphasis added), including [how the] information is stored, analyzed, and disseminated. It would likely benefit the FTP to have the data readily accessible and collated in a way to quickly highlight any deficits and trends. The OIG recognizes this may not be a possibility as OPD continues to navigate through the ransomware attack, but the OIG hopes this could be a conversation for the near future.

The Department recognizes Recommendation 1 (as contextualized by *Consideration 1*) refers to the current practice of physically storing documents created by the trainees in support of FTP feedback within physical files, which are not as readily referenceable or analyzable as a data set.

The FTP recognized the same opportunity while compiling the requested documents for the OIG to audit near the beginning of the process. The FTP Coordinator has created a spreadsheet, tracking items relevant to the results of QPRs such that trends may be identified, addressed and remedies implemented. The headings of the spreadsheet include: Item, Action, Responsible Party, Due Date, Status, and Notes. The sheet provides the ability for a clear overview of the feedback and discrepancies identified during the QPRs.

Additionally, the Department has shown great success in its trainee performance documentation efforts while engaged in a long-standing contract with a third party (Shield Systems) database called LEFTA (Law Enforcement Field Training Application). The FTU has consistently tracked trainee performance via said system, but had not, until the OIG inquired as to certain metrics, utilized built in analytics tools. The FTU has begun exploring the suite of options already available within the database and remains committed to using available technologies to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of the trainee feedback loop.

Finally, to further streamline the process for collecting, storing, and disseminating trainee feedback, the FTU will begin its transition from heavy reliance on paper documents to digital storage, making the information more readily accessible to relevant Department members and referenceable for the FTP. The FTPC will ensure the FTU prioritize paper documents that can be transitioned to digital format are migrated within the next six months for progressive use by upcoming Academy graduates. Meanwhile, the FTPC will oversee a project to scan and save (digitize) the copious paper files housed by the FTU as archival, but still readily accessible. Once the FTU has settled on a reliable system of digital storage and analysis, the Training Section will develop a Procedure Manual (P&P) for reference for future holders of FTU positions.

Another aspect to Recommendation #1 involved missing QPRs from 2021 – 2022.

Therefore, *OPD* management must prioritize a consistent timetable to meet, review, discuss, and resolve discrepancies within the FTP, especially those that originate from trainee feedback.

The OIG was correct and kind to include the reminder that 2021-2022 were years involving a global pandemic (COVID19) which significantly impacted operations within the FTP. While important context, the Department does not seek exoneration for failing its QPR responsibilities as a result. The inconsistent Quarterly Panel Reviews (QPRs) within the Field Training Unit (FTU) have been addressed. The Training Section has established a fixed schedule for QPRs, updated at the beginning of each year and has communicated this schedule to all relevant parties. The Training Section has also developed a straightforward and streamlined process for scheduling and conducting QPRs. This procedure outlines who will attend, what topics will be

discussed, and how feedback will be collected and addressed. After each QPR, the Field Training Program Coordinator (FTPC) prepares a detailed memorandum documenting the review results. This memorandum will include the following:

- a. A summary of the feedback and discrepancies discussed during the QPR.
- b. The agreed-upon actions for each item, including who is responsible for implementing each action and the expected timeline for completion.
- c. Any additional comments or observations from the panel members.
- d. The memorandum will be distributed to all involved parties, including the Chief of Police, to ensure transparency and accountability.

In addition to the memorandum, the FTPC created an Excel spreadsheet to track the agreed-upon actions. This spreadsheet includes the following columns:

- a. Item: A brief description of the feedback or discrepancy.
- b. Action: The agreed-upon action to address the item.
- c. Responsible Party: The person or team responsible for implementing the action.
- d. Due Date: The expected completion date for the action.
- e. Status: The current status of the action (e.g., Not Started, In Progress, Completed).
- f. Notes: Any additional comments or details about the action.

Summary of OPD's Response to Recommendation and Consideration 1:

The Department, having previously been aware of the missed QPRs, has already taken steps to stabilize the scheduling of, and procedures of, QPRs. In 2023 the Field Training Unit has held two QPRs (Q1 and Q2) within the implemented structure and look forward to consistent success in holding said meetings and improving the FTP based on suggestions derived therefrom.

Consideration 2: Consider reexamining the number of training hours allocated for classroom.

The Department and Training Section are consistently reevaluating the number of hours designated for the POST Certified Basic Academy. The Department has traditionally delivered a curriculum exceeding 150% of the POST's minimum stipulations and continues to entertain the idea of broadening the curriculum to provide more in-class learning. This is done while also considering operational requirements, financial factors, and shifts in POST regulations. Irrespective of the division of hours between the Academy and the Field Training Program, the Department prioritizes education, training, and ongoing enhancement over performance ratings within the Field Training Program.

Additionally, we have integrated the advantage of hosting a "post-academy," which sidesteps the need for POST certification. Historically, this initiative has spanned 2 to 4 weeks, providing a flexible structure. It offers room for adaptation based on training needs, further contributing to our continuous commitment to comprehensive law enforcement education.

In the future, should there be chances to enlarge the curriculum for the post-academy, the commander of the Training Section will seize the opportunity to extend the available hours.

Summary of OPD's Response to Consideration 2:

Our Department, already known for hosting one of California's most extensive Academies, frequently modifies its curriculum, evidenced by each Academy undergoing POST recertification, regularly introducing new classes, and varying the time allocated to different subjects. We're devoted to expanding this curriculum to the greatest extent permitted while acknowledging that operational demands and financial limitations may influence such decisions.

Rather than extending the hours of the Academy, which calls for POST approval that's not always guaranteed, the Training Section plans to enhance the duration of the "post-academy" period, which bypasses the need for POST certification. This post-academy phase has traditionally varied from 2-6 weeks to adapt to diverse training requirements.

We're committed to nurturing a proficient police force skilled in critical thinking and collaborative problem-solving with the community we've sworn to protect and serve.

I look forward to continuing the Department's work with the Office of the Inspector General and are committed to maintaining the highest standards in our Field Training Program.

Sincerely,

Darren Allison Interim Chief of Police

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APPENDIX B: ENGAGEMENT LETTER



Office of the Inspector General Michelle N. Phillips, Inspector General 250 Frank H. Ogawa Plaza Oakland, California 94612



July 1, 2022

LeRonne L. Armstrong Chief of Police Police Administration Building Oakland Police Department 455 7th St Oakland, CA 94607

Dear Chief Armstrong:

This letter is to inform you that the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) will conduct a review of the of the Oakland Police Department's (OPD) Field Training Officer (FTO) program.

The objective of this review will be to evaluate compliance with OPD policies and procedures; laws, regulations, and guidelines regarding the FTO program and its implementation. The FTO program will also be reviewed to assess internal controls and to identify any areas of deficiency.

Background

The FTO program, outlined in Task 42 (Attached), is an important area for review for OIG. The FTO program review is of significance as it presents new officers the first opportunity to work in the field, post-academy. It is also a critical aspect of training for new officers in department culture, community interactions, and job execution.

Scope

OIG views OPD as progressive in its efforts to collect data about the experiences of trainees through Personal Interview Questionnaires and conducting Focus Group Sessions¹. In essence, this evaluation will determine if these questionnaires are being completed and if the focus groups are being held. Therefore, the overall purpose is to review the effectiveness of the Department's FTO program from the perspective of the trainees.

¹ Revision of DGO B-08, Field Training Program, accessed June 30, 2022, chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcaincalclefindmkai/http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oakca1/group

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Objectives

This review will focus on the following key objectives:

- 1. Determine if the Field Training Unit (FTU) interviews each trainee officer and has them complete a Personal Interview Questionnaire prior to the trainee rotating between FTOs to allow an opportunity to raise questions/concerns about quality of training received and to advise trainee of option to report misconduct.
 - a. Review how concerns are documented
 - b. Review how long concerns are archived
- 2. Determine if the FTU has been conducting 3 Focus Group Sessions (mid-point, end, and 6 months after) with randomly selected trainees to determine consistency between what is taught in the Academy and in Field Training for the last two years.
 - a. Memos documenting feedback of each focus group
 - b. Quarterly panel reviews to discuss feedback to assess discrepancies

This review will collect data and information regarding trainee officer's' experiences during their time in the FTO program and determine the presence of any systemic issues identified by the mandated focus groups and the reporting of the FTO program. It is important to understand these key components of the FTO program to determine: (1) if reports are being completed and if focus groups are being held, and (2) if the information from those activities are being utilized to make progressive, systemic change where necessary and appropriate within OPD.

During the week of July 3, 2022, Dr. Leigh R. Anderson, Chief of Staff for the OIG, will contact your office to schedule an entrance briefing. At that briefing, Dr. Anderson will explain the scope of the review, answer questions, and discuss any concerns you might have. In addition, Dr. Anderson will solicit your opinions about FTO operations and your suggestions regarding potential areas of concern if any.

In support of the review, please provide Dr. Anderson with the following information on the Field Training Unit (FTU) by July 15, 2022:

- an organization chart for FTU;
- a list of all employees (including those detailed to FTU) that includes position titles, telephone numbers, work locations, and e-mail addresses;
- all internal policies, procedures, and other documents that guide the work of FTU;²
- position descriptions for FTU employees;
- process flowcharts (if they exist) detailing FTU operations;

² If these documents are voluminous, please advise Dr. Anderson so we can consider reviewing some or all of them onsite.

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- copies of any previous studies related to FTU, including feasibility, strategic, and cost/benefit studies;
- list and descriptions of pending or current contracts that pertain to FTU operations;
- copies of all reports related to FTU required by federal and District agencies and officials (FY 2006 through FY 2009);
- goals and results of performance measures for FTU (FY 2020 through FY 2022 to date); and
- any other documentation or information you believe would assist the review.

Please provide Dr. Anderson with the name and telephone number of the person who will serve as our primary point of contact at OPD during the review. Dr. Anderson can be reached on (314) 456-5941 and at landerson@oaklandca.gov. Dr. Anderson will contact this individual to schedule the entrance briefing. Please provide written acknowledgement of receipt of this document to the OIG at OIG@oaklandca.gov.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation, and I look forward to working with OPD in our joint efforts to improve the quality of public safety services provided to residents and other stakeholders of the City of Oakland.

Sincerely,

Michelle N. Phillips Inspector General

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I. PURPOSE

The City of Oakland (hereinafter referred to as "the City") and the plaintiffs share a mutual interest in promoting effective and respectful policing. The parties join in entering into this Settlement Agreement (hereinafter "Agreement") to promote police integrity and prevent conduct that deprives persons of the rights, privileges and immunities secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of the United States. The overall objective of this document is to provide for the expeditious implementation, initially, with the oversight of an outside monitoring body (hereinafter "the Monitor"), of the best available practices and procedures for police management in the areas of supervision, training and accountability mechanisms, and to enhance the ability of the Oakland Police Department (hereinafter "the Department" or "OPD") to protect the lives, rights, dignity and property of the community it serves.

This document is intended as the basis for an agreement to be entered into between the City and Plaintiffs in the Delphine Allen, et al. v. City of Oakland, et al., consolidated case number C00-4599 TEH (JL) otherwise known as the "Riders" cases. This document shall constitute the entire agreement of the parties. No prior or contemporaneous communications, oral or written, or prior drafts shall be relevant or admissible for purposes of determining the meaning of any provisions herein in any litigation or any other proceedings.

In the Riders cases, the plaintiffs have alleged that the Oakland Police Department was deliberately indifferent to, or otherwise ratified or encouraged, an ongoing practice of misconduct by the defendant officers to violate the plaintiffs' civil rights. Plaintiffs further alleged that the Oakland Police Department was deliberately indifferent to and or negligent in its hiring, training, supervision and discipline of its police officers, and that such indifference caused the alleged violations of the plaintiffs' constitutional rights. All such claims are hereinafter referred to as the "pattern and practice" claims. The City of Oakland defendants expressly deny such allegations asserted in the consolidated Riders complaints.

Nothing in this Agreement, the complaints filed in this action or the negotiation process

leading to the settlement of the pattern and practice claims shall be construed as an admission of liability or evidence of liability under any federal, state or local law, including 42 U.S.C. §§1983, 14141, 2000d and/or 3789d (c).

Subject to all plaintiffs settling their monetary damage claims, this Agreement resolves all pattern and practice claims in the Riders complaints. Upon termination of this Agreement, as set forth in Section XV, paragraph B (3), plaintiffs agree to dismiss such claims with prejudice.

Nothing in this document is intended to alter the lawful authority of OPD personnel to use reasonable and necessary force, effect arrests and file charges, conduct searches or make seizures, or otherwise fulfill their law enforcement obligations to the people of the City of Oakland in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Constitution and laws of the United States and the State of California.

Nothing in this Agreement is intended to alter the existing collective bargaining agreement between the City and OPD member/employee bargaining units or to impair the collective bargaining rights of OPD member/employee bargaining units under state law or local law. The City recognizes that the implementation of certain provisions of this Agreement may require compliance with meet-and-confer processes. The City shall comply with any such legal requirements and shall do so with the goal of concluding such processes in a manner consistent with the purposes of this Agreement and to otherwise permit the City to timely implement this Agreement. The City shall give appropriate notice of this Agreement to the OPD member/employee bargaining units to allow such processes to begin, as to this Agreement, as filed with the Court.

This Agreement is binding upon the parties hereto, by and through their officials, agents, employees, successors and attorneys of record. This Agreement is enforceable only by the parties, as described elsewhere in this document. No person or entity is intended to be a third-party beneficiary of the provisions of this Agreement for the purposes of any civil, criminal, or administrative action, and accordingly, no person or entity may assert any claim or right as a beneficiary or protected class under this Agreement. This Agreement is not intended to impair or

1	expand the right of any person or organization to seek relief against the City defendants for their		
2	conduct or the conduct of Oakland police officers; accordingly, it does not alter legal standards		
3	governing any such claims, including those under California Business and Provisions Code Section		
4	17200, et seq. This Agreement does not authorize, nor shall it be construed to authorize, access to		
5	any City or Department documents, except as expressly provided by this Agreement, by persons or		
6	entities other than the City defendants and the Monitor.		
7	This Agreement is entered into with the understanding that all OPD personnel shall strive t		
8	act in full compliance with its provisions. Acts of non-compliance with the provisions of this		
9	Agreement by OPD personnel shall result in corrective measures, up to and including termination		
10	II. DEFINITIONS		
11	A. <u>Bureau:</u>		
12	The first subordinate organizational unit within the Department.		
13	B. <u>Citizen:</u>		
14	Any individual person, regardless of citizenship status.		
15	C. <u>Command Officer/Commander:</u>		
16	Members of the Department holding the rank of Lieutenant or higher.		
17	D. <u>Command Staff</u>		
18	All members of the Department holding the rank of Lieutenant or higher.		
19	E. <u>Complaint</u>		
20	Any complaint regarding OPD services, policy or procedure, claims for damages (which		
21	allege member/employee misconduct); and any allegation of possible misconduct by an OPD		
22	member or employee. For purposes of this Agreement, the term "complaint" does not include any		
23	allegation of employment discrimination.		
24	F. <u>Effective Date</u>		
25	The date this Agreement was entered by the Court.		
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G. Employee

Every person, other than members, appointed or assigned to the Department in any permanent or temporary civil service classification.

H. Force

1. <u>Investigated Use of Force</u>

That level of force which requires an investigation and the preparation of a Use of Force Report (TF-967) in accordance with the provisions of Departmental General Order (DGO) K-3, "The Use of Force" and K-4, "Reporting and Investigating the Use of Force."

2. <u>Lethal Force</u>

Any force reasonably likely to cause death or serious physical injury with a reasonable probability of causing death.

3. **Non-Investigated Use of Force**

Any use of force by OPD personnel to effect an arrest or gain control of a person not rising to the level of force defined in Section II, paragraph H(1), of this Agreement.

4. **Reports of Force**

Uses of force – lethal, investigated, and non-investigated – shall be reported as outlined in Section V, "Policy and Procedures for Use of Force Notification and Report."

5. Unnecessary Use of Force

Any use of force that is not reasonably necessary in light of the totality of information available to and circumstances confronting the member (see DGO K-3, "The Use of Force").

6. <u>Use of Force</u>

Any physical or mechanical coercion used by OPD personnel to defend themselves or others, or to otherwise affect, influence, or persuade an individual to comply with an order. This includes, but is not limited to, hand strikes, kicks, leg sweeps, and takedowns. The drawing of and intentional pointing of a firearm at another person shall be considered as use of force for the

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purposes of this Agreement.

I. <u>Integrity Tests</u>

Targeted or random integrity tests, or "stings," designed to identify and investigate OPD personnel who are engaged in at-risk behavior, to measure compliance with Department directives and orders, and/or the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

J. Investigation, Division-Level

An investigation, by the subject member/employee's organizational unit, into allegations of that member/employee's violation of the law or Departmental rules, regulations or policies.

K. Investigation, Internal

An investigation, by a Department investigator, into allegations of a violation of the law or Departmental rules, regulations or policies.

L. Manager

An employee of the Department in charge of a Division or Section.

14 M. Manual of Rules (MOR)

The Department publication which provides additional specificity to the standards of conduct embodied in the Law Enforcement Code of Ethics and the Department's Statement of Values.

N. Member

Any person appointed to the Department as a full-time, regularly salaried peace officer. For the purposes of this Agreement, Rangers are included in this definition.

O. Non-Disciplinary Action

Action, other than discipline, taken by a superior, commander, or manager to enable or encourage a subordinate to improve, modify, or correct his or her work performance.

P. <u>OPD Personnel</u>

All members, employees, Reserve Officers, volunteers, and other persons working under the direction of the Department.

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Q. Personnel Assessment System (PAS)

The computerized complaint-tracking and select-indicator system, as designed within a relational database, for maintaining, integrating and retrieving data necessary for supervision and management of OPD and its personnel.

R. <u>Serious Misdemeanor</u>

Any misdemeanor crime the commission of which would preclude a member or employee from continuing to successfully complete his/her responsibilities as a member/employee of the Department. These crimes involve those that negatively impact the integrity and values of the Department. Examples are those that involve sex, theft, possession of drugs and those listed in California Penal Code §12021(c)(1), "Unlawful Possession of a Firearm."

S. <u>Subject Officer/Employee</u>

The member or employee, under an investigation, against whom allegations of a violation of the law or Departmental rules, regulations or policies have been made.

T. Supervisor

A member or employee of the Department assigned to a position requiring the exercise of immediate supervision over the activities of other members and employees.

U. Vehicle Stop

Any instance in which a member directs a civilian operating a vehicle of any type (including bicycles, mopeds, motorized scooters, etc.) to stop, and the driver is detained for any length of time.

V. Walking Stop

Any instance in which a member detains a person (i.e., the person is not free to leave) who is not in or on a vehicle.

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TASK 10 Section III			
1	TASK 10 (Section III)		
2	III. INTERNAL AFFAIRS DIVISION (IAD)		
3	With the exception of subparagraphs G, H, I, J, K, M, N and as otherwise set forth below,		
4	within 616 days from the effective date of this Agreement, the Chief of Police shall revise		
5	Departmental policy and procedures and develop a manual for conducting complaint investigation		
6	Training shall be provided to ensure all personnel have received, understand, and comply with new		
7	and revised Departmental policies and procedures. For the policies that are developed in paragraphs		
8	III.B.1, III.D.1, III.E.1, III.E.2.a, IIIG, III.H, III.1, III.J, III.K, III.M, III.N, and III.O, all training on		
9	those policies shall be completed on or before June 1, 2004. The IAD Procedural Manual shall		
10	include, at a minimum, the following provisions of this Section:		
11	TASK 1 (Section III)		
12	2 A. IAD Staffing and Resources		
13	1. Assignment;		
14	2. Rotation;		
15	3. Training and qualifications of members and other personnel in IAD;		
16	4. Appropriate background checks on IAD personnel;		
17	5. Confidentiality of IAD information.		
18	18 TASK 2 (Section III)		
19	B. <u>Timeliness Standards and Compliance with IAD Investigations</u>		
20	Fairness to complainants, members/employees and the public requires that internal		
21	investigations be completed in a timely fashion.		
22	1. On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop policies regarding timeliness		
23	standards for the completion of Internal Affairs investigations, administrative findings and		
24	recommended discipline.		

26 command and the Department's command staff. If IAD experiences an unusual proliferation of

Compliance with these timeliness standards shall be regularly monitored by IAD

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cases and/or workload, IAD staffing shall be increased to maintain timeliness standards.

TASK 3 (Section III)

C. **IAD Integrity Tests**

IAD shall be proactive as well as reactive.

- 1 IAD shall conduct integrity tests in situations where members/employees are the subject of repeated allegations of misconduct.
- 2. IAD shall have frequency standards, among other parameters, for such integrity tests.

TASK 4 (Section III)

D. **Complaint Control System for IAD**

- Within 90 days, OPD shall develop a policy regarding an informal complaint resolution process which may be used by supervisors and IAD to resolve service complaints and Class II violations that do not indicate a pattern of misconduct as described in Section III, paragraph H (2). This process shall document the receipt of the complaint, date, time, location, name or the person making the complaint, the name of the person receiving the complaint, how the matter was resolved and that the person making the complaint was advised of the formal complaint process with the CPRB. The documentation shall be forwarded to an IAD Commander for review. If the informal complaint resolution process fails to resolve the complaint or if the person making the complaint still wishes to make a formal complaint, the person receiving the complaint shall initiate the formal complaint process pursuant to Section III, paragraph E. An IAD Commander shall make the final determination whether the ICR process will be utilized to resolve the complaint. OPD personnel shall not unduly influence persons making a complaint to consent to the informal complaint resolution process.
- 2 IAD shall establish a central control system for complaints and Departmental requests to open investigations. Every complaint received by any supervisor or commander shall be reported to IAD on the day of receipt. If IAD is not available, IAD shall be contacted at the start of

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3. Criteria shall be established which must be met prior to moving, from "open" to "closed," any investigation in the complaint database.

TASK 5 (Section III)

E. Complaint Procedures for IAD

- 1. On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop a policy so that, OPD personnel who become aware that a citizen wishes to file a complaint shall bring such citizen immediately, or as soon as circumstances permit, to a supervisor or IAD or summon a supervisor to the scene. If there is a delay of greater than three (3) hours, the reason for such delay shall be documented by the person receiving the complaint. In the event that such a complainant refuses to travel to a supervisor or to wait for one, the member/employee involved shall make all reasonable attempts to obtain identification, including address and phone number, as well as a description of the allegedly wrongful conduct and offending personnel, from the complainant and any witnesses. This information, as well as a description of the complaint, shall immediately, or as soon as circumstances permit, be documented on a Complaint Form and submitted to the immediate supervisor or, in his/her absence, the appropriate Area Commander, and shall be treated as a complaint. The supervisor or appropriate Area Commander notified of the complaint shall ensure the Communications Division is notified and forward any pertinent documents to the IAD.
- 2. An on-duty supervisor shall respond to take a complaint received from a jail inmate taken into custody by OPD, who wishes to make a complaint of Class I misconduct contemporaneous with the arrest. The supervisor shall ensure the Communications Division is notified and forward any pertinent documents to the IAD. All other misconduct complaints, by a jail inmate shall be handled in the same manner as other civilian complaints.

whether the conditions that prevented investigation and final disposition have

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changed and may direct the closure or continuation of the investigation. c. 1 7. 2 Any member or employee who is a subject of an internal investigation, as well as any other member or employee on the scene of an incident at which misconduct has been alleged 3 by a complainant, shall be interviewed and a recorded statement taken. However, investigators, 4 5 with the approval of an IAD Commander, are not required to interview and/or take a recorded statement from a member or employee who is the subject of a complaint or was on the scene of the incident when additional information, beyond that already provided by the existing set of facts and/or documentation, is not necessary to reach appropriate findings and conclusions. 8 TASK 6 (Section III) Refusal to Accept or Refer Citizen Complaint F. 10 Refusal to accept a citizen complaint, failure to refer a citizen to IAD (when that citizen can 11 be reasonably understood to want to make a citizen's complaint), discouraging a person from filing 12 a complaint, and/or knowingly providing false, inaccurate or incomplete information about IAD 13 shall be grounds for discipline for any OPD member or employee. 14

TASK 7 (Section III)

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G. Methods for Receiving Citizen Complaints

On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop a policy to strengthen procedures for receiving citizen complaints:

- 1. IAD or Communication Division personnel shall staff a recordable toll-free complaint phone line, 24-hours a day, and receive and process complaints in accordance with the provisions of Departmental General Order M-3. The complainant shall be advised that the call is being recorded when a complaint is taken by IAD.
- 2. Guidelines for filing a citizen's complaint shall be prominently posted and informational brochures shall be made available in key Departmental and municipal locations.
- 3. OPD shall accept anonymous complaints. To the extent possible, OPD shall ask anonymous complainants for corroborating evidence. OPD shall investigate anonymous complaints

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Commission of a felony or serious misdemeanor;

failure to take reasonable steps to prevent retaliation;

Exhibition of bias or harassment, actions of a retaliatory nature, or

8) Solicitation or acceptance of gifts or gratuities as specified in the 1 Manual of Rules; 2 9) Willful false arrest, made knowingly without probable cause; 3 10) Failing to report others who commit any Class I offense. 4 b. Unless otherwise directed by the Chief of Police or acceptable designee (i.e., 5 Acting Chief, Assistant Chief, or Deputy Chief), Class I offenses shall be investigated by IAD investigators. Statements and interviews in Class I investigations shall be tape recorded, but not 7 transcribed except at the request of the subject member/employee, complainant, command staff, 8 Monitor, or the OIG. 2 Class II offenses shall include minor misconduct situations. Complaints received 10 from private persons, alleging a Class II violation, shall be processed as a complaint and referred 11 for investigation or resolved through the Informal Complaint Resolution process. A Class II 12 violation discovered by a supervisor, commander, or manager in the normal course of supervision, 13 that does not indicate a pattern of misconduct, may be addressed through non-disciplinary 14 corrective action. Statements and interviews from OPD personnel in Class II investigations shall be 15 recorded, but not transcribed except at the request of the subject member/employee, complainant, 16 command staff, Monitor, or the OIG. When a unit commander or the assigned investigator 17 encounters a Class I violation during a Class II, division-level investigation, he/she shall contact the 18 IAD Commander. The IAD Commander shall consult with the Chief of Police to determine whether 19 the investigation shall be forwarded to IAD or remain in the unit in which the Class II violation was 20 originally assigned. 21 TASK 9 (Section III) 22 23

Contact of Citizen Complainant I.

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On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop a policy to ensure that citizen complainants shall be contacted, as soon as possible, by IAD or the investigator assigned to the investigation, to determine the nature, scope and severity of the complaint, as well as to identify

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1 potential witnesses and/or evidence as quickly as possible.

- 2 TASK 10 (Section III)
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 - TASK 11 (Section III)

J. <u>Summary of Citizen Complaints Provided to OPD Personnel</u>

- 1. On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop a policy to ensure that the investigator shall provide the member/employee with a brief synopsis of any complaint alleged against them, but shall not allow the member/employee to read the complaint itself or to review citizen or other witness statements prior to the member/employee's interview. Such synopses shall be preserved within the IAD file.
- 2. When notifying a member/employee that a complaint has been filed against him or her, IAD shall also notify the subject's immediate supervisor and commander.
- 3. Upon completion of the IAD investigation and issuance of a final report by IAD, the subject member/employee shall have access to the underlying data on which the report is based, including all tape-recorded interviews, transcripts and investigator's notes.

TASK 12 (Section III)

K. Disclosure of Possible Investigator Bias

On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall establish a policy requiring that investigators (this covers IAD and field investigators) disclose relationships which might lead to a perception of bias regarding the subject(s) of any investigation, including such as family relationships, outside business relationships, romantic relationships, close work or personal friendships. In cases where it is clear that the nature of the relationship could be perceived to compromise the investigative process, the involved investigator(s) shall recuse him/herself from the investigation. In more ambiguous situations, the investigator(s) involved shall make full disclosure, in writing, to his/her supervisor. In the case of a Class I investigation, that supervisor shall then make a recommendation to the IAD or, in the case of a division-level investigation, the unit commander. The IAD, unit

TASK 13 Section III.K		
1	commander or, as appropriate, his/her superior, shall replace the investigator in question with	
2	another investigator.	
3	TASK 13 (Section III)	
4	L. <u>Documentation of Pitchess Responses</u>	
5	OPD shall implement an additional check on responses to Pitchess discovery motion	
6	responses.	
7	TASK 14 (Section III)	
8	M. <u>Investigation of Allegations of Manual of Rules Violations Resulting from Lawsuits</u>	
9	and Legal Claims	
10	1. Internal investigations shall be handled separately and not delayed, halted, or	
11	modified because the underlying matter is in civil litigation, unless such delay is specifically	
12	authorized in writing by the Chief of Police.	
13	2. If the Chief of Police determines that concurrent civil litigation is likely to yield	
14	additional information relevant to an internal investigation, he/she may hold the findings of the	
15	internal investigation in abeyance. Such delay shall last no longer than necessary to obtain the	
16	relevant information. The reason(s) for any delay shall be documented in the CAL. The Chief of	
17	Police shall ensure the investigation continues on all areas of the internal investigation.	
18	TASK 15 (Section III)	
19	N. Reviewing Findings and Disciplinary Recommendations	
20	On or before June 15, 2005, OPD shall develop a policy to ensure that, except upon written	
21	authorization from the Chief of Police, the investigator's first-level commander/manager and the	
22	IAD Commander or designee shall be responsible for reviewing recommended findings. The	

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O. Supporting IAD Process – Supervisor/Managerial Accountability On or before December 1, 2003, OPD shall develop a policy to ensure that supervisors and

commanders, as well as other managers in the chain of command, shall be held accountable for supporting the IAD process. If an IAD investigation finds that a supervisor or manager should have reasonably determined that a member/employee committed or violated a Class I offense, then that supervisor or manager shall be held accountable, through the Department's administrative discipline process, for failure to supervise, failure to review, and/or failure to intervene.

TASK 17 (Section III)

P. Audit, Review and Evaluation of IAD Functions

OPD and the Monitor shall conduct audits, reviews and evaluations as specified in Section XIII, paragraph H, and Section XIV, paragraph B.

TASK 18 (Section IV)

IV. SUPERVISORY SPAN OF CONTROL AND UNITY OF COMMAND

Within 260 days from the effective date of this Agreement, the Chief of Police shall, based on contemporary police standards and best practices, develop and implement policies to address the following standards and provisions:

A. Approval of Field-Arrest by Supervisor

- 1. OPD shall develop standards for field supervisors that encourage or mandate close and frequent supervisory contacts with subordinates on calls for service. The policies developed in this Section shall require supervisors to respond to the scene of (at least) the following categories of arrest, unless community unrest or other conditions at the scene make this impractical:
 - a. All Felonies;
 - b. All drug offenses (including narcotics, controlled substances and marijuana arrests if the subject is taken to jail).
 - c. Where there is an investigated use of force;
 - d. Penal Code §§69, 148 and 243(b)(c).

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- 1 With rare exceptions (justified on a case-by-case basis), each member or employee of the Department shall have a single, clearly identified supervisor or manager.
- 2. In general, sergeants should work the same schedule and have the same days off as the individuals they supervise.

TASK 20 (Section IV)

C. **Span of Control for Supervisors**

On or before August 14, 2003, OPD shall develop and implement a policy to ensure appropriate supervision of its Area Command Field Teams. The policy shall provide that:

- 1. Under normal conditions, OPD shall assign one primary sergeant to each Area Command Field Team, and, in general, (with certain exceptions) that supervisor's span of control shall not exceed eight (8) members.
- 2. During day-to-day operations, in the absence of the primary supervisor (e.g., due to sickness, vacation, compensatory time off, schools, and other leaves), the appropriate Area Commander shall determine, based on Department policy and operational needs, whether or not to backfill for the absence of the sergeant on leave.
- 3. If a special operation, (e.g., Beat Feet, Special Traffic Offenders Program (STOP), etc.) requires more than eight (8) members, the appropriate Area Commander shall determine the reasonable span of control for the supervisor.
 - 4. If long-term backfill requires the loan or transfer of a supervisor from another unit, the Chief of Police and/or the Deputy Chief of Police shall make that decision.

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TASK 21 (Section IV)

- D. Members', Employees' and Supervisors' Performance Review
- 1. Every OPD commander/manager shall meet at least twice per year with each of his/her immediate subordinate members, employees and supervisors, to coach them regarding their strengths and weakness es. The provisions of this section do not obviate the commander/manager of his or her responsibility to comply with the provisions outlined in Section VII, Use of Personnel Assessment System (PAS), paragraph B, Use of Personnel Assessment System (PAS). These meetings shall be documented. If a member, employee or supervisor exhibits a performance problem, the commander/manager shall meet with him/her in accordance with the provision of Section VII, paragraph B (7)-(8), of this Agreement.
- 2. Supervisors of the following units shall meet individually with members and employees at least twice per month for informal performance reviews. Supervisors shall maintain a record of these informal reviews. Affected units include:
 - Patrol Division (team); a.
 - h Crime Reduction Teams (CRT);
- Internal Affairs Division; c. 16
- d. Intelligence Division; 17
- Parole and Corrections (PAC) team; e. 18
- f. Special Duty Units (SDU); 19
- Traffic Operations Section; 20 g.
- h. Special Operations Section; 21
- i. Fugitive Unit; 22
- i. Problem Solving Officers (PSO); and 23
- k. Campus Life and School Safety (CLASS). 24
- Members and employees assigned to administrative duties within these units and civilian crossing guards are exempt from this requirement. 26

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2	E. <u>OPD/DA Liaison Commander</u>		
3	Within 60 days from the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall establish a		
4	Management-Level Liaison (MLL) to the courts, the District Attorney's Office, and the Public		
5	Defender's Office. This unit or per son shall ensure that cases which are lost or dropped due to back		
6	reports, defective search warrants, granted 'Motion to Suppress,' contradictory evidence or		
testimony, or any other indication of performance problems or misconduct, are tracked.			
8	MLL shall be required to meet and cooperate with the Monitor. The DA's and PD's Offices may		
9	attend meetings, as they deem appropriate.		
10	TASK 23 (Section IV)		
11	F. <u>Command Staff Rotation</u>		
12	The Chief of Police is committed to the regular rotation of Departmental command staff as		
13	consistent with best practices in law enforcement agency management, based upon the		
14	Department's immediate needs and best interests, including:		
15	1. Special skills needed for an assignment;		
16	2. Career development; and		
17	3. Increasing Departmental efficiency and effectiveness.		
18	TASK 24 (Section V)		
19	V. POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR USE OF FORCE NOTIFICATION AND		
20	REPORTING		
21	Within 390 days from the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall develop and		
22	implement a revised policy, and appropriate forms, regarding use of force reporting and review.		
23	A. <u>Use of Force Reporting Policy</u>		
24	The policy shall require that:		
25	1 Members/employees notify their supervisor as soon as practicable following any		

26 investigated use of force or allegation of excessive use of force.

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An on-scene supervisor is responsible for completing an investigated Use of Force Report in accordance with the provisions of Departmental General Order K-4, "Reporting and Investigating

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was objectively reasonable and within Department policy and training. The recommendation shall

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Require that the FRB membership include, at a minimum, one member from the

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Training Division, one member from the Field Training Officer program, and either the Bureau of Field Operations Deputy Chief or his/her designee;

9. Minimally, that one member of the FRB shall be replaced at least annually.

TASK 27 (Section V)

D. <u>Oleoresin Capsicum Log and Checkout Procedures</u>

OPD shall continue to keep a log of Oleoresin Capsicum (OC) spray canisters checked out and used by any member or authorized employee. The log shall be computerized and electronically accessible within one year of entry of this Agreement and regular reports shall be prepared and distributed.

TASK 28 (Section V)

E. <u>Use of Force — Investigation of Criminal Misconduct</u>

OPD shall develop a policy to report, as soon as possible, evidence of criminal misconduct by a member/employee to the Alameda County District Attorney's Office for their review and collaboration. Said report to the District Attorney shall be made when there is reasonable suspicion to believe the member/employee has been involved in a felony or serious misdemeanor.

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F. IAD Investigation Priority

OPD shall coordinate its administrative investigation of a member/employee with the Alameda County District Attorney's Office if a criminal proceeding is potentially viable. When OPD initiates an interview or interrogation of OPD personnel and it appears that the subject may be charged with a crime, or the subject asserts his or her Fifth Amendment rights on grounds that the answers to questions posed may be incriminating, such interrogation must be preceded by a <u>Lybarger</u> warning.

TASK 30 (Section V)

G. Executive Force Review Board (EFRB)

1. An EFRB shall be convened to review the factual circumstances surrounding any

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procedures for the following:

OPD personnel shall report misconduct by any other member or employee of the Department to their supervisor and/or IAD. The policy shall state that corrective action and or

Whether a search was conducted, and outcome of search;

Outcome of stop (arrest, no arrest);

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- g. Offense categories (felony, misdemeanor or infraction).
- 2. This data shall be entered into a database that can be summarized, searched, queried and reported by personnel authorized by OPD.
- 3. The development of this policy shall not pre-empt any other pending or future policies and or policy development, including but not limited to "Promoting Cooperative Strategies to Prevent Racial Profiling."

TASK 35 (Section VI)

C. <u>Use of Force Reports – Witness Identification</u>

- 1. OPD shall require, by policy, that every Use of Force Report, whether felonies were involved or not, include the names, telephone numbers, and addresses of witnesses to the incident, when such information is reasonably available to the members/employees on the scene.
- 2. In situations in which there are no known witnesses, the report shall specifically state this fact. Policy shall further require that in situations in which witnesses were present but circumstances prevented the author of the report from determining the identification or phone number or address of those witnesses, the report shall state the reasons why the member/employee was unable to obtain that information. Reports shall also include the names of all other members/employees of OPD witnessing the use of force incident.

TASK 36 (Section VI)

D. <u>Procedures for Transporting Detainees and Citizens</u>

1. OPD shall continue to require every member and employee to log in and log out on the radio when transporting a detainee or any other civilian. The radio report shall include time, mileage, location, purpose of transport, gender of individual being transported, and identification of the member or employee involved in the transport.

If the purpose of the transport can be determined from the location of the transport, the purpose does not need to be recorded. These locations can include the Police Administration Building, the Substation (Eastmont Station), Youth and Family

1	Violence Center, the Jail (Santa Rita or North County), John George Psychiatric Hospital		
2	or any other medical facility.		
3	The transportation of a civilian ride-a-long shall be exempt from this requirement.		
4	2. This requirement does not apply to "wagons" engaged exclusively in the transport of		
5	prisoners. These "wagons" shall continue to comply with the provisions of Departmental General		
6	Order (DGO) O-2, "Transportation of Prisoners and Persons in Custody."		
7	TASK 37 (Section VI)		
8	E. <u>Internal Investigations – Retaliation Against Witnesses</u>		
9	OPD shall prohibit retaliation against any member or employee of the Department who:		
10	1. Reports misconduct by any other member or employee, or		
11	2. Serves as a witness in any proceeding against a member or employee.		
12	The policy prohibiting retaliation shall acknowledge that retaliation may be informal and		
13	subtle, as well as blatant, and shall define retaliation as a violation for which dismissal is the		
14	presumptive disciplinary penalty. Supervisors, commanders and managers shall be held		
15	accountable for the conduct of their subordinates in this regard. If supervisors, commanders or		
16	managers of persons engaging in retaliation knew or reasonably should have known that the		
17	behavior was occurring, they shall be subject to the investigative, and if appropriate, the		
18	disciplinary process.		
19	TASK 38 (Section VI)		
20	F. <u>Citizens Signing Police Forms</u>		
21	OPD personnel shall be required to ensure that citizens who sign written statements on a		
22	Statement form draw a diagonal stripe from the end of the written narrative to the bottom of the		
23	page, and sign along that stripe. Statements taken on offense reports shall be signed by the citizen		
24	immediately following the statement.		

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G. Personnel Arrested, Sued and/or Served with Civil or Administrative Process 1 1 OPD shall continue its policy requiring OPD personnel to report, to IAD directly 2 and through his/her chain of command, within 72 hours, any occurrence in which that member or 3 employee has been: 4 5 a. Arrested; or b. Sued and/or served with civil or administrative process related to his/her 6 employment or containing allegations which rise to the level of a Manual of 7 Rules violation. 8 2. OPD shall develop a policy requiring OPD personnel to report to the Chief of Police, 9 through his/her chain of command, within 72 hours, that they have been served with civil or 10 administrative process, including tort claims, financial claims, whenever applying for a transfer to 11 or serving in: 12 The Gang Unit, Vice/Narcotics Section, Intelligence Division or Internal 13 a. Affairs Division; 14 b. An assignment that may tend to indicate a conflict of interest with respect to 15 the performance of his/her official duties; or 16 A specialized unit in which there is a strong possibility that bribes or other c. 17 improper inducements may be offered. 18 3. For the purposes of this Agreement, allegations involving "financial claims" mean 19 civil or administrative process claims relating to judgments for collection related to property 20 seizures, taxes, judgments for money owed, debt as a debtor or creditor, filing bankruptcy, 21 garnishments, liens, attachments on bank or savings accounts, spousal support, child support and/or 22 foreclosure. 23 TASK 40 (Section VII) 24 25 26

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VII. PERSONNEL ASSESSMENT SYSTEM (PAS)

A. <u>Purpose</u>

Within 635 days from the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall enhance its existing complaint-tracking and select indicator systems so that it has a fully implemented, computerized relational database for maintaining, integrating and retrieving data necessary for supervision and management of OPD and its personnel. This data shall be used by OPD: to promote professional police practices; to manage the risk of police misconduct; and to evaluate and audit the performance of OPD members of all ranks, employees, and OPD units, subunits and shifts. PAS shall contain information on the following:

- 1. All uses of force required to be reported by OPD;
- 2. OC spray canister check-out log (see Section V, paragraph D)
- 3. All police-canine deployments; where the canine is deployed in a search for or to apprehend a suspect(s). It does not include, deployments for the purpose of locating bombs, narcotics, missing persons, etc., where the canine is not involved in an investigated use of force (i.e., deliberately or inadvertently bites or injures a person) If such force occurs, a Use of Force report is required.
- 4. All officer-involved shootings and firearms discharges, both on duty and off duty, excluding an intentional discharge while at a range facility; a discharge while engaged in a lawful recreational activity, such as hunting or target practice; a discharge by Criminalistics Division personnel for the purpose of scientific examination; and a discharge at an object (e.g., street light, alarm box, door lock or vehicle tire) to accomplish a tactical police purpose that does not result in injury;
 - 5. All on-duty vehicle pursuits and on-duty vehicle collisions;
 - 6. All complaints, whether made to OPD or CPRB;
- 7. All civil suits and/or tort claims related to members' and employees' employment at OPD, or which contain allegations which rise to the level of a *Manual of Rules* violation;
 - 8. Reports of a financial claim as described in Section VI, paragraph G (3).

employees, supervisors, managers, and OPD units, as well as OPD as a whole. The policy shall include the following elements:

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1 The Chief of Police shall designate a PAS Administration Unit. The PAS Administration Unit shall be responsible for administering the PAS policy and, no less frequently

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than quarterly, shall notify, in writing, the appropriate Deputy Chief/Director and the responsible commander/manager of an identified member/employee who meets the PAS criteria. PAS is to be electronically maintained by the City Information Technology Department.

- 2 The Department shall retain all PAS data for at least five (5) years.
- 3. The Monitor, Inspector General and Compliance Coordinator shall have full access to PAS to the extent necessary for the performance of their duties under this Agreement and consistent with Section XIII, paragraph K, and Section XIV of this Agreement.
 - 4. PAS, the PAS data, and reports are confidential and not public information.
- 5. On a quarterly basis, commanders/managers shall review and analyze all relevant PAS information concerning personnel under their command, to detect any pattern or series of incidents which may indicate that a member/employee, supervisor, or group of members/employees under his/her supervision may be engaging in at-risk behavior. The policy shall define specific criteria for determining when a member/employee or group of members/employees may be engaging in at-risk behavior.
- 6. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the PAS policy to be developed, the Department shall develop policy defining peer group comparison and methodology in consultation with Plaintiffs' Counsel and the IMT. The policy shall include, at a minimum, a requirement that any member/employee who is identified using a peer group comparison methodology for complaints received during a 30-month period, or any member who is identified using a peer group comparison methodology for Penal Code §§69, 148 and 243(b)(c) arrests within a 30-month period, shall be identified as a subject for PAS intervention review. For the purposes of these two criteria, a single incident shall be counted as "one" even if there are multiple complaints arising from the incident or combined with an arrest for Penal Code §§69, 148 or 243(b)(c).
- When review and analysis of the PAS threshold report data indicate that a 7 member/employee may be engaging in at-risk behavior, the member/employee's immediate supervisor shall conduct a more intensive review of the member/employee's performance and

personnel history and prepare a PAS Activity Review and Report. Members/employees
recommended for intervention shall be required to attend a documented, non-disciplinary PAS
intervention meeting with their designated commander/manager and supervisor. The purpose of this
meeting shall be to review the member/employee's performance and discuss the issues and
recommended intervention strategies. The member/employee shall be dismissed from the meeting,
and the designated commander/manager and the member/employee's immediate supervisor shall
remain and discuss the situation and the member/employee's response. The primary responsibility
for any intervention strategies shall be placed upon the supervisor. Intervention strategies may
include additional training, reassignment, additional supervision, coaching or personal counseling.
The performance of members/ employees subject to PAS review shall be monitored by their
designated commander/manager for the specified period of time following the initial meeting,
unless released early or extended (as outlined in Section VII, paragraph B (8)).

8. Members/employees who meet the PAS threshold specified in Section VII, paragraph B (6) shall be subject to one of the following options: no action, supervisory monitoring, or PAS intervention. Each of these options shall be approved by the chain-of-command, up to the Deputy Chief/Director and/or the PAS Activity Review Panel.

Members/employees recommended for supervisory monitoring shall be monitored for a minimum of three (3) months and include two (2) documented, mandatory follow-up meetings with the member/employee's immediate supervisor. The first at the end of one (1) month and the second at the end of three (3) months.

Members/employees recommended for PAS intervention shall be monitored for a minimum of 12 months and include two (2) documented, mandatory follow-up meetings with the member/employee's immediate supervisor and designated commander/manager: The first at three (3) months and the second at one (1) year. Member/employees subject to PAS intervention for minor, easily correctable performance deficiencies may be dismissed from the jurisdiction of PAS upon the written approval of the member/employee's responsible Deputy Chief, following a

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- 9. On a quarterly basis, Division/appropriate Area Commanders and managers shall review and analyze relevant data in PAS about subordinate commanders and/or managers and supervisors regarding their ability to adhere to policy and address at-risk behavior. All Division/appropriate Area Commanders and managers shall conduct quarterly meetings with their supervisory staff for the purpose of assessing and sharing information about the state of the unit and identifying potential or actual performance problems within the unit. These meetings shall be scheduled to follow-up on supervisors' assessments of their subordinates' for PAS intervention. These meetings shall consider all relevant PAS data, potential patterns of at-risk behavior, and recommended intervention strategies since the last meeting. Also considered shall be patterns involving use of force, sick leave, line-of-duty injuries, narcotics-related possessory offenses, and vehicle collisions that are out of the norm among either personnel in the unit or among the unit's subunits. Division/appropriate Area Commanders and managers shall ensure that minutes of the meetings are taken and retained for a period of five (5) years. Commanders/managers shall take appropriate action on identified patterns of at-risk behavior and/or misconduct.
- 10. Division/appropriate Area Commanders and managers shall meet at least annually with his/her Deputy Chief/Director and the IAD Commander to discuss the state of their commands and any exceptional performance, potential or actual performance problems or other potential

- 11. PAS information shall be taken into account for a commendation or award recommendation; promotion, transfer, and special assignment, and in connection with annual performance appraisals. For this specific purpose, the only disciplinary information from PAS that shall be considered are sustained and not sustained complaints completed within the time limits imposed by Government Code Section 3304.
- 12. Intervention strategies implemented as a result of a PAS Activity Review and Report shall be documented in a timely manner.
- 13. Relevant and appropriate PAS information shall be taken into account in connection with determinations of appropriate discipline for sustained misconduct allegations. For this specific purpose, the only disciplinary information from PAS that shall be considered are sustained and not sustained complaints completed within the time limits imposed by Government Code Section 3304.
- 14. The member/employee's designated commander/manager shall schedule a PAS Activity Review meeting to be held no later than 20 days following notification to the Deputy Chief/Director that the member/employee has met a PAS threshold and when intervention is recommended.
- 15. The PAS policy to be developed shall include a provision that a member/employee making unsatisfactory progress during PAS intervention may be transferred and/or loaned to another supervisor, another assignment or another Division, at the discretion of the Bureau Chief/Director if the transfer is within his/her Bureau. Inter-Bureau transfers shall be approved by the Chief of Police. If a member/employee is transferred because of unsatisfactory progress, that transfer shall be to a position with little or no public contact when there is a nexus between the at-

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- 16. In parallel with the PAS program described above, the Department may wish to continue the Early Intervention Review Panel.
- 17. On a semi-annual basis, beginning within 90 days from the effective date of this Agreement, the Chief of Police, the PAS Activity Review Panel, PAS Oversight Committee, and the IAD Commander shall meet with the Monitor to review the operation and progress of the PAS. At these meetings, OPD administrators shall summarize, for the Monitor, the number of members/employees who have been identified for review, pursuant to the PAS policy, and the number of members/employees who have been identified for PAS intervention. The Department administrators shall also provide data summarizing the various intervention strategies that have been utilized as a result of all PAS Activity Review and Reports. The major objectives of each of these semi-annual meetings shall be consideration of whether the PAS policy is adequate with regard to detecting patterns of misconduct or poor performance issues as expeditiously as possible and if PAS reviews are achieving their goals.
- 18. Nothing in this Agreement, and more specifically, no provision of PAS, shall be 20 construed as waiving, abrogating or in any way modifying the Department's rights with regard to discipline of its members/employees. The Department may choose, at its discretion, to initiate the 22 administrative discipline process, to initiate PAS review or to use both processes concurrently or 23 consecutively.
 - TASK 42 (Section VIII)
 - VIII. FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM
 - Within 323 days of the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall develop and implement

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a plan to enhance its Field Training Program. This plan shall address the criteria and method for selecting FTOs, the training provided to FTOs to perform their duty, supervision and evaluation of FTOs, the length of time that trainee officers spend in the program, and the methods by which FTOs assess and evaluate trainee officers in field training. The plan must ensure proper reporting, review and approval of probationary officers' reports.

A. Field Training Program Coordinator

The Chief of Police shall assign a full-time sergeant for the first year who shall develop and implement the new policies and procedures described in this section. The Chief of Police shall determine, upon successful completion of the development and implementation of these policies, if it is necessary to continue the position at the rank of sergeant, but in any event, the position shall continue as a full-time position.

B. Trainee Rotation

During their field training, trainee officers shall rotate to a new FTO and a new geographic area of the City at predetermined intervals. Prior to rotation, trainee officers shall be interviewed by the Field Training Program Coordinator or his/her designee and given an opportunity to raise any questions or concerns they may have about the quality of training provided to them.

C. FTO Participation Incentives

OPD shall increase the incentives for participation in the FTO program so that the Department will have a larger pool of qualified, experienced candidates from which to choose.

D. FTO Candidate Nomination and Requirements

FTO candidates shall be nominated by field supervisors and commanders, but shall be approved for assignments to this duty, and for retention in it, by the Chief of Police. All FTO candidates must have completed three (3) years of Departmental service before selection, unless specifically authorized by the Chief of Police. FTO candidates shall be required to demonstrate their commitment to community policing, and their problem- solving and leadership abilities. Ethics, professionalism, relationships with the community, quality of citizen contacts and

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commitment to OPD philosophy shall be primary criteria in the selection of FTOs. Excessive numbers of sustained and not sustained complaints completed within the time limits imposed by Government Code Section 3304, or excessive numbers of use of force incidents shall bar a candidate from selection as an FTO for no less than two (2) years.

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E. <u>Decertification</u>

The presumptive result of sustained disciplinary action, completed within the time limits imposed by Government Code Section 3304, against an FTO or the FTO Program Coordinator for excessive force, unlawful arrest, false testimony, racial, ethnic, sexual-orientation or gender-based discrimination or slurs, or other serious examples of police misconduct, shall be removal from the FTO program. The Deputy Chief of the member's chain of command may recommend to the Chief of Police to grant an exception to this presumption after conducting a hearing on the facts of the matter. The Chief of Police shall document the approval/disapproval in writing.

F. FTO Assignment

Assignment to an FTO position shall be contingent upon successful completion of a training course designed for this position and shall be approved by OPD and the State of California Peace Officers' Standards and Training.

G. FTO Evaluation

At the end of a complete FTO cycle, trainee officers leaving the FTO program shall anonymously evaluate each of their FTOs. OPD shall develop a form for such evaluations which emphasize effectiveness at training and effectiveness at supervision. The evaluation form shall also assess the degree to which the FTO program reflected policies, procedures, values and other information taught in the recruit academy. The FTO evaluation forms shall be reviewed by the Field Training Program Coordinator and the individual FTO's commander and supervisor. The Field Training Program Coordinator shall provide evaluation information to the FTOs as a group, concerning program effectiveness. Each FTO shall also be provided with evaluation information

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regarding their individual performance. The individual evaluation forms shall not be made available to individual FTOs in the interest of maintaining anonymity of trainee officers who have completed the forms.

H. <u>Daily Evaluation Audit</u>

The Field Training Program Coordinator, or his/her designee, shall conduct random audits of the FTO program to ensure that FTOs complete daily evaluations of trainee officers and that the selection standards for FTOs are maintained.

I. Trainee Officer Assignment

When a trainee officer's FTO is absent, the trainee officer shall not be assigned to field duties with an "acting" FTO. They shall be placed with another certified FTO, or shall be assigned to non-field duties, pending the availability of a certified FTO.

J. Field Commander and FTO Supervisor Training

OPD shall provide field commanders and supervisors with training on the FTO program, including the field-training curriculum, the role of the FTO, supervision of FTOs and probationary employees, the evaluation process and the individual duties and responsibilities within the FTO program.

K. Focus Groups

The Field Training Program Coordinator and Academy staff shall conduct focus groups with randomly selected trainee officers midway through the field-training cycle, upon completion of field training, and six (6) months after completion of the field training program, to determine the extent to which the Academy instructors and curriculum prepared the new officers for their duties.

L. <u>Consistency of Training</u>

The results of these focus group sessions shall be reviewed at a meeting to include the Training Division Commander, the FTO Program Coordinator, the BFO Deputy Chief, and the BOS Deputy Chief. If it is determined that there is a substantial discrepancy between what is taught in the Academy and what is taught in the FTO program, there shall be a determination as to which

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is correct, and either the training Academy or the FTO program shall make the necessary changes so that the desired training information is consistent. In the event that the discrepancies appear to be the result of one or more individual FTOs, rather than the FTO program as a whole, the review group shall determine whether the discrepancies are serious enough to warrant removal of that officer or officers from the FTO program. The results of the meeting of this review group shall be documented and this information shall be provided to the Monitor.

TASK 43 (Section IX)

IX. ACADEMY AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING

A. Academy Training Plan

Within 540 days of the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall develop and implement a plan to enhance its Academy and in-service training to ensure that OPD members, dispatchers, and civilian evidence technicians are adequately trained for their positions, and aware of and able to implement the most contemporary developments in police training. This plan shall include a review of OPD's training curriculum, with additional emphasis on ethics and professionalism, critical thinking and problem solving, conflict resolution, and relationships with the community. The plan shall also address the criteria and method for selecting OPD training instructors, the training provided to instructors, procedures for evaluating the content and quality of training provided to OPD personnel and procedures for maintaining training records for OPD personnel. In arriving at the plan regarding staffing, training content and methodology, OPD shall consult with at least four (4) other, large law-enforcement agencies within the United States which have excellent reputations for professionalism. In particular, OPD shall consult with these agencies about qualifications and other criteria to be used in selecting staff for training positions. OPD shall also review the approach of these other law enforcement agencies in training both new staff and experienced staff on ethics and professionalism, critical thinking and problem solving, conflict resolution, and relationships with the community.

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B. Professionalism and Ethics

OPD shall expand professionalism and ethics as a training topic within the recruit academy, in-service training, and field training. Wherever possible, OPD shall include and address issues of professionalism and ethics using curricula that employ realistic scenario-based training exercises.

C. <u>Supervisory and Command Training</u>

OPD shall provide all sergeants and commanders with mandatory 40-hour in-service supervisory and leadership training. Officers shall attend training prior to promotion to the rank of sergeant. Lieutenants shall attend training within six (6) months of promotion. Such training shall include supervisory and command accountability, and ethics and professionalism, with emphasis on supervisory and management functions and situations, and shall include both scenario-based training and case studies.

D. <u>In-Service Training</u>

OPD shall provide all members with forty (40) hours of in-service training every eighteen (18) months.

- 1. Sergeants shall receive at least 20 hours of training designed for supervisors every 18 months.
- 2. Members at the rank of lieutenant and above shall receive at least 20 hours of training designed for commanders every 18 months.

E. Training Staff Record Review

Appointment to the Academy staff or other staff training position shall also require a review of the record of the individual being considered, to ensure that the individual does not have a record of any Class I offense, as defined in Section III, paragraph H (1), within the prior two (2) years, and that the individual is supportive of the philosophy and values of OPD.

TASK 44 (Section X)

X. PERSONNEL PRACTICES

Within 120 days from the effective date of this Agreement, (except as provided for in

paragraph B), OPD shall develop and implement enhanced personnel policies and practices as follows:

A. <u>Performance Appraisal Policy</u>

Performance appraisals shall be written individually for the member/employee being evaluated and shall accurately reflect the quality of each member/employee's performance.

- 1. Supervisors and commanders shall document, in performance appraisals, that they are aware of the nature and progress of complaints and investigations against members/employees, and shall consider all sustained and not sustained complaint findings completed within the time limits imposed by Government Code Section 3304, in their performance appraisal of subordinates.
- 2. Supervisors and commanders shall document, in performance appraisals, that they have carefully monitored members': uses of force; "sick" and "injured" leaves; arrests for narcotics-related possessory offenses not made as a result of searches conducted pursuant to arrests for other offenses; arrests involving charges of Penal Code §§69, 148 and/or 243(b)(c); and vehicle accidents. When appropriate, supervisors and commanders shall be held accountable for having identified and acted upon patterns, among personnel in the unit, involving use of force, sick leave, line-of-duty injuries, narcotics-related possessory offenses, and on-duty vehicle accidents.
- 3. OPD shall use the performance appraisal system to hold PSA lieutenants accountable for whether their subordinate supervisors are working to enhance the quality of community contacts by their beat officers.
- 4. OPD shall conduct regular audits of the performance appraisal system to ensure compliance with the above requirements.
- 5. The immediate supervisor of every member/employee of the Department shall have primary responsibility for conducting and writing the performance appraisal for that member/employee. For example, the patrol sergeant shall be responsible for conducting and writing the performance appraisal for each member/employee he or she supervises. However, every supervisor/manager in that member/employee's direct chain of command, up to and including the

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- 6. When a member/employee, during the course of the period being appraised, had substantial collateral duties supervised by someone other than his or her regular and direct supervisor, the member/employee's immediate supervisor shall consult with the other supervisor, manager, or person in charge of the collateral duty regarding the subject member/employee's performance and document the results of the consultation in the performance appraisal.
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B. <u>Consistency-of-Discipline Policy</u>

On or before October 6, 2003, OPD shall revise and update its disciplinary policy to ensure that discipline is imposed in a fair and consistent manner.

- 1. The policy shall describe the circumstances in which disciplinary action is appropriate and those in which Division-level corrective action is appropriate.
- 2. The policy shall establish a centralized system for documenting and tracking all forms of discipline and corrective action, whether imposed centrally or at the Division level.
- 3. All internal investigations which result in a sustained finding shall be submitted to the Discipline Officer for a disciplinary recommendation. The Discipline Officer shall convene a meeting with the Deputy Chief or designee in the affected chain-of-command for a confidential discussion of the misconduct, including the mitigating and aggravating factors and the member/employee's overall performance.
- 4. The COP may direct the Discipline Officer to prepare a Discipline Recommendation without convening a Discipline Conference.
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C. <u>Promotional Consideration</u>

1. Sustained misconduct cases completed within the time limits imposed by

OPD shall incorporate positive statistics on community policing and problem solving

activities in "Crime-Stop" meetings, along with information on citizen complaints and use

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XII. DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND ANNUAL MANAGEMENT REPORT

On or before September 5, 2003, , OPD shall develop and implement a policy requiring each functional unit of OPD to prepare a management report every 12 months. The division commanders individually shall meet with the Chief of Police and their respective Deputy Chief to thoroughly review the management report of that division. These management reports shall include relevant operating data and also highlight ongoing or extraordinary problems and noteworthy accomplishments.

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XIII. INDEPENDENT MONITORING

A. <u>Monitor Selection and Compensation</u>

- 1. Within 60 days after entry of this Agreement, the City and plaintiffs' counsel shall mutually select a Monitor, subject to the approval of the Court, who shall review and report on OPD's implementation of, and assist with OPD's compliance with this Agreement. The selection of the Monitor shall be pursuant to a method jointly established by the plaintiffs' counsel and the City. In selecting the Monitor, plaintiffs' counsel and the City recognize the importance of ensuring that the fees and costs borne by the City are reasonable, and, accordingly, fees and costs shall be one factor considered in selecting the Monitor.
- 2. The maximum sum to be paid the Monitor, including any additional persons he or she may associate pursuant to Section XIII, paragraph C (1)(2) (excluding reasonable costs or fees associated with non-compliance or breach of the Agreement by the City or the Department), shall be set forth in a contract between the City and the Monitor and approved by the City Council. The contract amount shall be calculated to fairly and reasonably compensate the Monitor for accomplishing the tasks and responsibilities set forth in this Agreement. The maximum amount specified in the contract will not exceed four million dollars (\$4,000,000.00) for the entire five years of the implementation of the Settlement Agreement. Should the monitoring be extended for

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- 3. If the plaintiffs' counsel and City are unable to agree on a Monitor, or on an alternative method of selection, the plaintiffs' counsel and the City each shall submit to the Court no more than two (2) names of persons who shall have the following attributes:
 - a. A reputation for integrity, even-handedness and independence;
 - b. Experience as a law enforcement officer, expertise in law enforcement practices, or experience as a law enforcement practices monitor;
 - c. An absence of bias, including any appearance of bias, for or against the plaintiffs, the City, the Department, or their officers or employees; and
 - d. No personal involvement, in the last five (5) years, whether paid or unpaid, with a claim or lawsuit against the City or the Department, or any of their officers, agents or employees, unless waived by the parties, which waiver shall not be unreasonably withheld.

To assist the Court in selecting the Monitor when there is a disputed selection as above, the City and the plaintiffs' counsel shall submit to the Court the resumes, cost proposals, and other relevant information for such persons demonstrating the above qualifications, and the Court shall appoint the Monitor from among the names of qualified persons so submitted.

B. Period and Appointment

The Monitor shall be appointed for a period of five (5) years, but in no circumstances to exceed seven (7) years past the date on which this Agreement was entered by the Court by the agents of the plaintiffs and the agents of the City. The extension of the Monitor beyond five years shall be allowed only if the Court determines that it is reasonably necessary in order for the Monitor to fulfill his/her duties pursuant to this Agreement.

C. Staffing

1. The Monitor may associate such additional persons or entities as are reasonably

necessary to perform the monitoring tasks specified in this Agreement. Any additional persons or entities associated by the Monitor shall possess the following attributes: a reputation for integrity, even-handedness and independence; an absence of bias, including any appearance of bias, for or against the plaintiffs, the City, the Department, or their members or employees; and no personal involvement in the last five (5) years, whether paid or unpaid, with a claim or lawsuit against the City or the Department or any of their officers, agents or employees unless waived by the parties, which waiver shall not be unreasonably withheld.

2. The Monitor shall notify the City and the Court if and when such additional persons or entities are selected for association by the Monitor. The notice shall identify the person or entity to be associated and the monitoring task to be performed, and, if a waiver is being requested, the notice shall indicate if the person had any such involvement in the last five (5) years, whether paid or unpaid, with a claim or lawsuit against the City or the Department, or any of their members, agents, or employees. Either the plaintiffs' counsel or the City may notify the Monitor, in writing, within 10 days (excluding weekends, and federal or state holidays) of any objection either may have to the selection. If the parties and the Monitor are unable to resolve any such objection, and the Monitor believes that the specific person or entity in question is needed to assist the Monitor, and such person or entity satisfies the qualifications and requirements in this paragraph, the Monitor may seek Court authorization to hire such person. For purposes of all paragraphs of this Agreement, other than the preceding paragraph, the term Monitor shall include any and all persons or entities that the Monitor associates to perform monitoring tasks, and such persons shall be subject to the same provisions applicable to the Monitor under this Agreement.

D. Replacement of Monitor

Should any of the parties to this Agreement determine that the Monitor, and/or his/her agents, employees, independent contractors, has exceeded his/her authority or failed to satisfactorily perform or fulfill his/her duties under this Agreement, the party may petition the Court for such relief as the Court deems appropriate, including replacement of the Monitor and/or

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his/her agents, employees and/or independent contractors.

E. <u>City-Provided Office Space, Services and Equipment</u>

The City shall provide the Monitor and any staff of the Monitor with office space, which may be in the Police Department or within other City offices, and with reasonable office support such as telephones, access to fax and photocopying, etc. The City and OPD shall bear all reasonable fees and costs for the Monitor. The Court retains the authority to resolve any dispute that may arise regarding the reasonableness of fees and costs charged by the Monitor.

F. Resolving Monitor Fee Disputes

In the event that any dispute arises regarding the payment of the Monitor's fees and costs, the City, plaintiffs' counsel and the Monitor shall attempt to resolve such dispute cooperatively, prior to seeking the Court's assistance.

G. Responsibilities and Authority

The Monitor shall be the agent of the Court and shall be subject to the supervision and orders of the Court, consistent with this Agreement. The Monitor shall have only the duties, responsibilities and authority conferred by this Agreement. The role of the Monitor shall be to assess and evaluate compliance with the provisions of the Agreement. The Monitor shall not, and is not intended to, replace or take over the role or duties of the Chief of Police or other police or City officials. The Monitor shall offer the City and OPD technical assistance regarding compliance with and implementing the Agreement.

H. Required Audits, Reviews and Evaluations

In order to report on OPD's implementation and compliance with the provisions of this Agreement, the Monitor shall conduct audits, reviews and evaluations, in addition to any others deemed relevant by the Monitor, of the following:

OPD policies and procedures established to implement the Agreement, to ensure that
these policies and procedures are consistent with both the purposes of this
Agreement and, as reasonably practicable, the best practices in law enforcement.

- 2. All completed and pending internal affairs proceedings and files except investigator[s] notes while the investigation is open.
- 3. Policy and procedures used by OPD for Internal Affairs misconduct investigations, including a review of an appropriate sample of closed IA cases; assess and evaluate the quality and timeliness of the investigations; recommend reopening of investigations that the Monitor determines to be incomplete; recommend additional measures that should be taken with respect to future investigations in order to satisfy this Agreement; and review and evaluate disciplinary actions or other interventions taken as a result of misconduct investigations.
- 4. Quality and timeliness, from appropriate samples, of OPD use of force incident reports and use of force (K-4) investigations; review and evaluation of actions of OPD's Use of Force (K-4) Board and Firearms-Discharge Board of Review (K-3); and review and evaluation of disciplinary actions or other interventions taken as a result of use of force investigations or K-3 and K-4 Board reviews.
- 5. If the Monitor determines that any use of force investigation or internal (IAD or Division-level) investigation/report which has been adjudicated or otherwise disposed or completed, is inadequate under this Agreement, the Monitor shall confer with the Chief of Police, IAD Commander and the Inspector General, and provide a confidential written evaluation to the Department and the Court. Such evaluation shall be for the purpose of assisting the Chief of Police in conducting future investigations, and shall not obligate the Department to reopen or re-adjudicate any investigation.
- 6. Implementation of provisions of this Agreement related to OPD training, including changes to the FTO program.
- 7. OPD's development and implementation of PIMS as required by this Agreement, including any supervisory action taken in response to analyses from such a system.

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- 8. City/OPD's Performance Appraisal System.
- 9. Compliance with provisions in this Agreement relating to command, management and supervisory duties.
- 10. The Monitor may request information about "court related" problem officers from OPD's MLL, the Office of the District Attorney (DA), or the Office of the Public Defender (PD). All information provided to the Monitor by the DA and/or PD shall be confidential and serve as a "check and balance" of the PIMS.
- 11. Other reviews as deemed relevant, such as sampling cases developed from the directives targeting specific geographic areas, to ensure that OPD enforcement activities fully comply with all applicable Department procedures and federal and state law.

When appropriate, the reviews and evaluations shall include, at a minimum, annual audits of stratified random samples.

I. Reports

During the first two (2) years of this Agreement, the Monitor shall issue quarterly reports to the parties and to the Court. Thereafter, the Monitor shall issue semi-annual reports to the parties and the Court. At any time during the pendency of this Agreement, however, the Monitor may issue reports more frequently if the Monitor determines it appropriate to do so. These reports shall not include information specifically identifying any individual member/employee. Before issuing a report, the Monitor shall provide to the parties a draft for review to determine if any factual errors have been made, and shall consider the parties' responses; the Monitor shall then promptly issue the report. All efforts to make these reports available to the general public shall be made, including posting on the Department's web site, unless the Court orders that the reports or any portions of the reports should remain confidential. In addition, public disclosure of the reports and any information contained therein shall comply with the Public Safety Officers' Procedural Bill of Rights.

J. <u>Meetings</u>

- 1. During the first year of this Agreement, the Monitor shall conduct monthly meetings that shall include representatives of OPD, the City Attorney's Office, the City Manager's Office, the Oakland Police Officers' Association, and plaintiffs' counsel. These meetings may be continued beyond the first year at the request of the parties to this Agreement. The purpose of these meetings is to ensure effective and timely communication between the Monitor, OPD, the City Attorney's Office, the City Manager's Office, the Oakland Police Officers' Association and plaintiffs' counsel regarding the development of procedures and policies under the Agreement, implementation, compliance and information-access issues. Throughout the duration of this Agreement, directives, policies and procedures developed by OPD pursuant to this Agreement shall be provided to plaintiffs' counsel for review and comment as a part of the Department's existing staffing process. Written comments may be returned to the Department by the specified deadline, or verbal comments may be given at the monthly meetings.
- 2. The Monitor shall also convene meetings with representatives of OPD, City Attorney's Office, City Manager's Office, the Oakland Police Officers' Association and plaintiffs' counsel to provide a forum for the discussion and comment of the Monitor's reports before the reports are issued to the Court. The plaintiffs' counsel and their retained experts and/or consultants shall be compensated by the City up to but not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000); this amount includes all fees and costs over the duration of this Agreement for their participation in the review of policies called for in this Agreement. The plaintiffs' counsel shall submit to the City, on an annual basis during the duration of the Agreement, a statement of such fees and costs.

K. Access and Limitations to OPD Documentation and Staff

- 1. By policy, OPD personnel shall be required to cooperate fully with the Monitor and to provide access to information and personnel in a timely fashion. The Monitor shall have the right to interview any member/employee of OPD pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.
 - 2. Except as restricted below, the City and OPD shall provide the Monitor with full and

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- 3. The Monitor shall have access to OPD personnel medical records, generally, if permission for such access is granted by the applicable member/employee, or the information from such records is otherwise contained in investigative files.
- 4. For any other OPD personnel medical records reasonably necessary to carry out the duties assigned to the Monitor by this Agreement, the Monitor shall notify the Court and the City in writing of the need for such documents, and the City shall so notify the affected member/employee. The Court, the City, or the affected member/employee may, and the City if requested by the affected member/employee shall, notify the Monitor in writing within 10 days (excluding weekends, and federal or state holidays) of any objection they may have to such access. If the parties, the Monitor and, where applicable, the affected member/employee are unable to resolve any such objection, and the Monitor continues to believe that the documents in question are reasonably necessary to assist the Monitor, the Monitor may seek Court authorization for access to

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such documents, subject to any appropriate protective orders. The City shall assert applicable defenses and privileges from disclosure and protections of such records for the City and the affected member/employee. Any documents obtained by this procedure shall be treated as confidential.

L. <u>Limitations to Personal and Confidential Information</u>

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to require disclosure of strictly personal information not material to implementation of this Agreement. Personal information includes, but is not limited to, background investigations, personal financial information other than compensation paid by the City, personal medical (including psychological) information, and residential or marital information. The Monitor shall not access attorney-client privileged information or work-product information. If the City or OPD objects to the access to any material, the City shall state why the material is not relevant, or that the information is privileged or otherwise confidential, and shall provide a privilege log. The City and OPD acknowledge that in order to evaluate the performance appraisal system, the disciplinary system for staff, the PIMS system, IAD investigations and other aspects of OPD, the Monitor will need substantial access to information about individual members, information about situations which may be currently in litigation or which may be the subject of future litigation, and information related to ongoing criminal investigations and prosecutions to the extent that disclosures of such information to the Monitor may not compromise or may not reasonably tend to compromise the integrity of the pending criminal investigation. If, after efforts among the parties to resolve the disagreement, the objection remains, the Court shall make the final determination.

M. Access to Criminal Investigation Files

1. The Monitor shall have direct access to all documents in criminal investigation files that have been closed by OPD. The Monitor shall also have direct access to all arrest reports, warrants and warrant applications, whether or not contained in open criminal investigation files; where practicable, arrest reports, warrants and warrant applications shall be obtained from sources

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files in joint task forces with other law enforcement agencies.

22 solely in Anti-Terrorist files, or solely in Intelligence files, or Investigative Notes files or similar

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Access to "Whistle Blowers" The Monitor shall have full access to any "whistle blower" who wishes to communicate

The access provisions of the previous paragraphs do not apply to documents contained

- 2 The Monitor shall have access to documents containing confidential information prepared for and contained solely in open criminal investigations of OPD personnel reasonably
- necessary to monitor compliance with this Agreement (other than arrest reports, warrants and
- warrant applications which shall be subject to the general access provisions).
 - Open criminal investigation files, which investigations have been open for a. more than ten months; or

If the Monitor reasonably deems that access to documents contained solely in either:

b. Open criminal investigation files of OPD personnel, which investigations have been open for less than ten months, is necessary to carry out the duties assigned to the Monitor by this Agreement, the Monitor shall notify the Court and the City, in writing, of the need for such documents. After notification by the Monitor, either the Court or the City may respond in writing to the Monitor within ten days (excluding weekends, and federal or state holidays), should either have any objection to such access. If the parties and the Monitor are unable to resolve any such objection, and the Monitor continues to believe that the documents in question are reasonably necessary to assist the Monitor, the Monitor may seek Court authorization for access to such documents, subject to any appropriate protective orders. Any documents obtained by this procedure shall be treated as confidential.

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with the Monitor. The Monitor shall be informed of any and all "whistle blower" reports made by such OPD personnel. The Monitor shall not be given the name of any OPD member/employee who uses the confidential reporting process described above and who indicates that he or she does not want their names given to the Monitor.

P. <u>Testimony</u>

The Monitor shall be an agent of the Court and may testify in this case regarding any matter relating to the implementation, enforcement or dissolution of the Agreement. The Monitor shall not testify and/or respond to subpoenas or documents in other matters relating to the City and OPD, except as required or authorized by the Court. The Monitor shall not be retained by any current or future litigant or claimant in a claim or suit against the City and its employees.

Q. <u>Confidential Records Maintenance</u>

The records maintained by the Monitor shall not be deemed public records. All documents, records, computerized data, and copies of any reports or other information provided to the monitor, as well as any reports, memoranda or other information produced by the monitor, shall be maintained for a period of 12 years following the entry of this Agreement.

R. <u>Court Resolution of Disputes</u>

In the event the Monitor reports that the duties and the responsibilities of the Monitor, as specified in this Agreement, cannot be carried out because of lack of cooperation, failure to provide appropriate data and documents otherwise called for in this Agreement, lack of timely response or other forms of unwarranted delays from OPD or the City, the Court may impose such remedies as it deems just and necessary. Plaintiffs' counsel may bring motions based on their belief that the City or OPD is failing to comply with the provisions of this Agreement. The City may also bring motions to amend the Agreement, should it determine such changes are necessary to achieve the overall purposes of the Agreement. Before any such motions are brought, the parties shall meet and confer following the exchange of a letter brief. Should it be necessary to continue the meet and confer process, the parties may request mediation before Magistrate Judge Larson, another

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Magistrate Judge mutually requested, or another Magistrate Judge as designated by the Court. The Court shall hold hearings on such matters and, if plaintiffs prevail, plaintiffs' counsel shall be entitled to their costs and legal fees. Should the plaintiffs not prevail, the standards set forth in FRCP Rule 11 and 42 USC Section 1988 shall apply so as to determine if the City shall be entitled to an award of fees and costs. Additionally, in the event of substantial and/or chronic non-compliance with provisions of this Agreement, the Court may impose such sanctions and/or remedies as it deems just and necessary, including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees.

S. Petitions for Relief

At any time during the pendency of this Agreement, the City may petition the Court for relief from any provisions of this Agreement. However, such relief shall not be granted unless the City demonstrates that all good faith efforts have been undertaken to comply with the subject provision, that the provision is inconsistent with the overall purposes of the Agreement, and that implementation of the provision is operationally and/or fiscally onerous or impracticable.

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XIV. COMPLIANCE UNIT

A. Compliance Unit Liaison Policy

Within 30 days from the effective date of this Agreement, OPD shall hire and retain, or reassign current OPD members/employees, to serve as an OPD Compliance Unit for the duration of this Agreement. The Compliance Unit shall serve as the liaison between OPD, the Monitor and the plaintiffs' counsel, and shall assist with OPD's compliance with the Agreement. Among other things, the Compliance Unit shall:

- 1. Facilitate the provision of data and documents;
- 2. Provide to the Monitor access to OPD personnel, as needed;
- 3. Ensure that documents and records are maintained as required by the Agreement;
- 25 4. Prepare a semi-annual report describing the steps taken, during that reporting period, to comply with the provisions of the Agreement.

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4	B. <u>Compliance Audits and Integrity Tests</u>		
5	Upon implementation of policies and procedures pursuant to this Agreement, OPD shall		
6	conduct annual audits of stratified, random samples of:		
7	1. Arrest and offense reports, and follow-up investigation reports, including, but not		
8	limited to, arrests for narcotics-related possessory offenses not discovered in the course of a search		
9	9 pursuant to arrest for other crimes;		
10	2. Use of force incident reports and use of force investigations;		
11	3. Complaint processing and investigation, to include but not limited to timeliness and		
12	quality;		
13	4. Mobile Data Terminal traffic;		
14	5. Personnel evaluations;		
15	6. Citizen accessibility to the complaint process and the availability of complaint		
16	forms.		
17	The review of documents shall entail, at a minimum, a review for completeness of the		
18	information contained, and an examination for inappropriate "boilerplate" language, inconsistent		
19	information, or lack of articulation of the legal basis for the applicable action.		
20	OPD shall conduct audits of the identified areas annually, unless the timing of an IMT audit		
21	of the same area makes an OIG audit redundant or unnecessary. If the OIG determines an audit of		
22	any of the six areas to be redundant or unnecessary, an audit of another area outlined in this		
23	Agreement may be substituted that would result in identifying and correcting other pressing		
24	compliance issues. The OIG shall notify the IMT and determine due dates for substitute audits.		
25	Audit methodology should include random and stratified sampling, where appropriate.		

The results of audits conducted pursuant to this paragraph shall be included in OPD's semi-

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XV. HOUSEKEEPING PROVISIONS

A. Reports and Records to be Maintained by the OPD

- 1. The City and OPD shall file regular status reports with the Court delineating the steps taken by OPD to comply with the provisions of this Agreement. Commencing within 120 days from the effective date of this Agreement, these reports shall be filed twice annually, at six (6) month intervals, until this Agreement is terminated.
- 2. During the term of this Agreement, the City and OPD shall maintain all records necessary to document compliance with the Agreement.

B. <u>Implementation and Jurisdiction</u>

- 1. This Agreement shall become effective on the date of entry by the Court. The implementation of the provisions of this Agreement is as specified in each provision.
- 2. All deadlines stated in this document are to be calculated as business days, not calendar days, unless otherwise specified. The deadlines, specified in Section XV, paragraph C (Meet and Confer), are to be calculated as calendar days. The calculation of days in the Settlement Agreement will be based on the Federal Court calendar referencing holidays. The deadlines provided for implementation specified in the Settlement Agreement are mandatory deadlines and failure to meet these deadlines will result in the City being deemed out of compliance unless the Monitor and or the Court deems otherwise. Appended to this Agreement is the Department's Business Implementation Plan. The interim dates specified in this Plan are recommended dates to assist the Department's critical path planning of the overall implementation of the reforms. These interim dates may be adjusted based on operational efficiencies and budgetary restraints.
- 3. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over this action, for all purposes, during the term of this Agreement. This Agreement shall remain in effect for five (5) years following the entry by

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- 4. The City and the plaintiffs may jointly stipulate, by and through their counsel of record, to make changes, modifications and amendments to this Agreement. Such stipulations shall be reported to the Monitor and are subject to the approval of the Court.
- 5. If any term or provision of this Settlement Agreement shall be found to be void, invalid, illegal or unenforceable by the Court, notwithstanding such determination, such term or provision shall remain in force and effect to the extent allowed by such ruling. In addition, notwithstanding such determination, all other terms and provisions of this Settlement Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
- 6. The City shall not be deemed to be in violation of any provision of this Agreement by reason of the failure to perform any of its obligations hereunder to the extent that such failure is due to unforeseen circumstances. "Unforeseen circumstances" include conditions not reasonably foreseeable by the City at the time the Agreement was executed: acts of God, catastrophic weather conditions, riots, insurrection, war, acts of a court of competent jurisdiction or any similar circumstance for which the City is not responsible and which is not within the City's control.

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- 7. If any unforeseen circumstance occurs which causes a failure to timely carry out any requirements of this Agreement, the City shall notify the Court and plaintiffs' counsel in writing within 20 calendar days of the time that the City becomes aware of the unforeseen circumstance and its impact on the City's ability to perform under the Agreement. The notice shall describe the cause of the failure to perform and the measures taken to prevent or minimize the failure. The City shall implement all reasonable measures to avoid or minimize any such failure.
- 8. If plaintiffs' counsel and the City agree or the Court determines that delay in meeting any schedule or obligation in this Agreement has been caused by unforeseen circumstances then, subject to the provisions of Section XV, paragraph B (4), the time for performance shall be extended for a period up to that equal to such delay.

C. Meet-and-Confer Process

1. As part of any meet-and-confer or consulting process demanded by OPD member/employee bargaining units, as described on page 2, lines 12-20, the City shall discuss and seek to resolve with those OPD member/employee bargaining units any disputes or uncertainties regarding which provisions are subject to such process. The City shall identify and provide to the OPD member/employee bargaining units the provisions of this Agreement such as it believes are subject to the process being demanded. Within 30 days of the date of the completion of the meet-and-confer process, the City shall report to the Court the results of any such discussion on this question. In the event that the City and the OPD member/employee bargaining units are unable to resolve the list of the provisions of the Agreement which are subject to the meet-and-confer

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process, the City shall seek declaratory relief from this Court to resolve such issue, provided that the OPD member/employee bargaining units shall receive notice and an opportunity to be heard by the Court on this issue.

- 2. Following the resolution of any dispute or uncertainty regarding the issues subject to a demanded process, the City shall continue with that process. The City shall report to the Court on the progress of such process. The reports shall include:
 - a. Proposed agreements with the OPD member/employee bargaining units relating to provisions of this Agreement as they are resolved by the City arising from the meet-and-confer process as they are determined, and
 - b. A list of provisions identified, pursuant to paragraph (1) of this Section, such as are scheduled for implementation within 45 days.
- 3. With regard to a matter that is not a mandatory subject of collective bargaining, the City shall not propose or enter into any such agreement with OPD member/employee bargaining units that will adversely affect the City's timely implementation of this Agreement. With regard to all such agreements with the OPD member/employee bargaining units, the City shall not make them effective before the expiration of 45 days after such proposed agreement is reported to the Court. The time for implementation of any provisions of this Agreement affected by such agreement with the OPD member/employee bargaining units, concerning a mandatory subject of bargaining, shall be extended for such 45-day period. If the Court determines that implementation of such proposed agreement would not significantly impact the City's ability to implement the affected provision(s) of this Agreement, the Court shall waive some or all of such 45-day period, and the City shall initiate such implementation. If such determination is not made, the parties shall discuss appropriate clarifications or modifications to this Agreement. Where the parties believe that a modification of this Agreement is appropriate, they shall present such modification to the Court for its consideration. The implementation date for the affected provision(s) of this Agreement shall be extended while the matter is before the Court, unless the Court orders earlier implementation.

- 4. In the event that the City believes the meet-and-confer process, consultation, or any such proposed agreement or resolution of a dispute with OPD member/employee bargaining units resulting from the meet-and-confer process, will impair the City's ability to timely implement one or more provisions of this Agreement, and the OPD member/employee bargaining units and the City are unable to agree upon or reach an appropriate resolution, then the City shall so report to the Court and shall seek appropriate declaratory or injunctive relief (including specific performance) on such provision(s). The plaintiffs' counsel also may seek relief from the Court in the event that the plaintiffs' counsel believe the meet-and-confer process, consultation, or any such proposed agreements or resolution of disputes with OPD member/employee bargaining units will impair the City's ability timely to implement one or more provisions of this Agreement, and the plaintiffs' counsel and the City are unable to agree on an appropriate resolution. Any such motion shall demonstrate the ways in which the City would be so impaired.
- 5. In ruling on a motion under page 2, lines 12-20, or in regard to any meet and confer issue identified pursuant to Section XV, paragraphs C (1), (2) and (3), the Court shall consider, *inter alia*, whether the City's proposed agreements, or the resolution of disputes with OPD member/employee bargaining units which address provision(s) of this Agreement, are consistent with the objectives underlying such provision(s), and whether the City has satisfied its labor relations obligations under state and local law. On any such motion, if the City has engaged in good faith efforts (including consideration of the manner in which the City carried out any applicable meet-and-confer or consulting obligations) to be able to implement this Agreement in a timely manner, the City:
 - a. Shall not be in contempt or liable for any other penalties, and
 - b. May be potentially held in breach for such provision(s) only for the limited

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- purpose of the issuance of declaratory or injunctive remedies (including specific performance), but may not be regarded as in breach for any other purpose.
- 6. If there is a significant change in a state law that impairs or impedes the City's ability to implement this Agreement, then each of the parties reserves the right to seek declaratory relief or other relief from the Court regarding implementation of the affected provisions of this Agreement in light of the change in state law.
- 7. The parties agree to defend this Agreement. The parties shall notify each other of any Court or administrative challenge to this Agreement. In the event any provision of this Agreement is challenged in any local or state court, the parties may seek removal of the action to a federal court.
- 8. In order to meet this provision of the Settlement Agreement, and facilitate the orderly dissemination of new or revised directives, policies and procedures, the following procedures are recommended:
 - a. Upon final draft approval by the Chief of Police, the unsigned draft shall be forwarded by hand delivery, facsimile, or United States mail to the Independent Monitor, plaintiff's counsel, and the OPOA.
 - b. If the new or revised directive, policy or procedure does not require the Chief of Police's signature, the Office of Inspector General will forward by either hand delivery, facsimile or United States mail to the Independent Monitor, plaintiff's counsel and the OPOA.
 - c. The plaintiff's counsel and the OPOA shall have fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of receipt of any draft directive, policy or procedure to make written comments. All written or verbal comments or recommendations should be directed to the Office of Inspector General.
 - d. Any party may request that a discussion over any draft directive, policy or

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procedure be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next monthly meeting required by-this-Settlement Agreement. Placing of the item on this agenda shall automatically extend any deadlines associated with the directive, policy or procedure until either 15 calendar days (or the next regular work day if the 15th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday) after the next monthly meeting where the item is discussed or, if the item is not resolved at the next monthly meeting, until 15 calendar days (or the next regular work day if the 15th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday) after the monthly meeting at which the item is resolved and agreed to by the parties as reflected in the minutes of the monthly meeting in the event of an extension as contemplated by this paragraph, or in the case of any other directive, policy or procedure where the parties desire to extend the deadline, the parties can stipulate to a different deadline date other than as set forth above without Court approval, with said stipulation to be reflected in a letter agreement and in the minutes of the monthly meeting.

- e. In the event the plaintiffs counsel or the OPOA fails to respond to any draft directive, policy or procedure within fifteen (15) calendar days, (or the next regular work day if the 15th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday) the parties shall have deemed to have no comments or recommendations.
- f. Once the draft is returned to the Department, drafts requiring the Chiefs signature shall be reviewed by the Chief of Police for final approval. The Office of Inspector General and the appropriate Task Manager will review drafts not requiring the Chiefs signature.

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APPENDIX D: DGO B-08

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF POLICE OAKLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO:

All Personnel

DATE: 02 Jun 14

SUBJECT:

Revision of DGO B-08, FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM (02 Mar 09)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify all personnel of a revision to DGO B-08.

SO 9109 has been incorporated in to the revision and is hereby rescinded.

The following is a summary of the substantive changes. This summary shall not take the place of the review and understanding of the entire document.

1- Revised Part II, B, 13 (FTO Nomination Qualifications):

From: Officers with a sustained Class 1 are ineligible to be nominated or participate in the FTO testing process for a minimum of two (2) years from the date of finding.

To: Be presumed ineligible to serve as a FTO for 12 months following a sustained Class I offense and such cases shall be considered important in evaluating eligibility for two (2) years following the completion of the investigation.

2- Added Part II, C, 4, c (BFO Deputy Chief Review):

Review and comment on all sustained IAD findings in the two (2) year period preceding nomination and make a written recommendation of eligibility to the Chief of Police.

3- Added the authority for the Chief of Police to designate officers assigned to specific field based units outside of Patrol or Foot Patrol to serve as FTOs and receive FTO incentive pay.

Personnel shall acknowledge receipt, review, and understanding of this directive in accordance with the provisions of DGO A-1, DEPARTMENTAL PUBLICATIONS.

By order of

Sean Whent Chief of Police

Date Signed: ____6-2-14



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FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM

The purpose of this order is to set forth Departmental policy and procedures for the Field Training Program.

I. FIELD TRAINING UNIT (FTU) DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITES

The FTU Shall:

- A. Operate within the Bureau of Field Operations (BFO) and be responsible for administering the Department's Field Training Program.
 - 1. The FTU shall be staffed, at a minimum, by a full-time member designated as the Field Training Program Coordinator (FTPC).
 - 2. The FTPC is an Order of Merit position and filled in accordance with Departmental General Order B-4, PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENTS, SELECTION PROCESSES AND TRANSFERS.
 - 3. The FTPC shall successfully complete a POST-Certified Field Training Supervisor/Administrator/Coordinator Course within one (1) year of appointment as the FTPC.
- B. Ensure the Field Training Program meets the standards established by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) and adheres to all Departmental Field Training Program standards.
- C. Provide program training for all Patrol commanders, Patrol sergeants, FTOs and trainee officers to minimally include program curriculum, the role of the FTO, trainee officer and FTO supervision, the evaluation process, and individual duties and responsibilities.
- D. Coordinate and participate in the FTO nomination, testing and selection process.

- E. Coordinate and facilitate the POST-Certified FTO Certification and Update Courses.
- F. Evaluate the teaching and training methods and practices of FTOs.
- G. Monitor the performance of all trainee officers assigned to field training.
- H. Maintain FTO and trainee officer files for a minimum of five (5) years.
- I. Evaluate program procedures and recommend revisions and/or improvements to the BFO Commander.

II. FTO RECRUITMENT, NOMINATION AND TESTING

A. FTO Recruitment

- 1. The FTPC shall announce when nominations for the position of FTO are being accepted.
- 2. The FTU shall actively recruit officers for the position of FTO.
- 3. Sergeants and commanders shall be responsible for developing, encouraging, and nominating qualified officers for the FTO position.

B. FTO Nomination Qualifications

The Nominee Shall:

- 1. Possess a POST Basic Certificate.
- 2. Have at least three (3) years of Departmental service and two (2) years of Patrol experience (unless waived by the Chief of Police).
- 3. Have received overall "Fully Effective" or better Performance Appraisals for the two (2) years preceding nomination.
- 4. Be committed to the Department's Mission, Vision, and Values.
- 5. Possess a high level of professionalism and ethical conduct.
- 6. Understand the importance of developing positive working relationships with the community.
- 7. Understand the importance of making quality citizen contacts.

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- 8. Demonstrate a commitment to Community Policing.
- 9. Possess leadership abilities.
- 10. Demonstrate a sound working knowledge of, and ability to apply, the following:
 - a. Departmental policies and procedures;
 - b. Interpersonal and tactical communications;
 - c. Problem solving and decision making skills;
 - d. Laws of arrest and search and seizure;
 - e. Preliminary investigation skills; and
 - f. Report writing.
- 11. Not have an excessive number of force incidents for the two (2) year period preceding the nomination.

"Excessive" shall not merely be defined by a number but rather by the totality of circumstances that led to the use of force, to minimally include:

- a. Officer's assignment;
- b. Type of force used;
- c. Nature of the incident; and
- d. Duration between incidents.
- 12. Not have an excessive number of complaint allegations or sustained IAD findings for the two (2) year period preceding nomination.

"Excessive" shall not merely be defined by a number but rather by the following:

- a. Officer's assignment;
- b. Type of complaints received:
- c. Frequency of complaints; and
- d. Circumstances surrounding the complaint(s).
- 13. Be presumed ineligible to serve as a FTO for 12 months following a sustained Class I offense and such cases shall be considered important in evaluating eligibility for two (2) years following the completion of the investigation.
- 14. Officers with open IAD complaints may participate in the FTO nomination and testing process; however, the BFO Deputy Chief shall re-evaluate the status of any officer who receives a sustained finding.

C. Nominating an officer for FTO:

- 1. Sergeants or commanders shall be responsible for nominating officers for the position of FTO in the following manner:
 - a. Complete an FTO Nomination/Recertification Questionnaire (TF-3259) to establish the officer meets the qualifications listed in Part II, B,1-10; and,
 - b. Forward the questionnaire directly to the FTU.

2. The FTU shall:

- a. Prepare an FTO testing file for each nominated officer;
- b. Prepare an FTO Nomination/Recertification Matrix Report (TF-3249) for each nominated officer;
- c. Obtain all Use of Force Reports for each nominated officer for a period of 30 months preceding the nomination;
- d. Prepare an Area Command Review Report (TF-3314);
- e. Prepare a BFO Deputy Chief Review Report (TF-3315); and,
- f. Place all support documents in the nominated officer's FTO testing file and forward through the officer's chain-of-command to the BFO Deputy Chief for review and endorsements.

3. Area Command Review:

Commanders of each nominated officer shall:

- a. Review the nominated officer's testing file;
- b. Complete an Area Command Review Report; and,
- c. Forward through the chain-of-command to the BFO Deputy Chief.

4. BFO Deputy Chief Review:

a. Review each nominated officer's FTO testing file;

- b. Review Area Command Review Reports and endorsements provided by commanders;
- c. Review and comment on all sustained IAD findings in the two (2) year period preceding nomination and make a written recommendation of eligibility to the Chief of Police;
- d. Complete the BFO Deputy Chief Review Report and endorse the nomination;
- e. Select nominated officers to attend the FTO Oral Board testing phase; and,
- f. Return the testing files to the FTU for further processing.

D. FTO Oral Board:

- 1. The FTU shall notify officers selected to attend the FTO Oral Board.
- 2. The FTU shall notify officers and their supervisor with the reason(s) for non-selection.
- 3. The BFO Deputy Chief shall convene an FTO Oral Board comprised of the following personnel:
 - a. BFO Deputy Chief (Chairperson);
 - b. The FTPC;
 - c. The Training Section Commander;
 - d. A Lieutenant of Police who has worked in the Patrol Division as a commander; and,
 - e. A Sergeant of Police who has worked in the Patrol Division as a supervisor.
- 4. The FTO Oral Board testing is a pass/fail process and shall consists of the following testing mechanisms:
 - a. An assessment interview;
 - b. Field training based scenario questions; and,
 - c. A report writing exercise.

5. The FTU shall notify all nominees of their test results. For nominees who fail the testing, the FTU shall cite the reason and notify the nominee's immediate supervisor.

III. FTO SCREENING, CANDIDATE SELECTION, CERTIFICATION COURSE, AND FTO CERTIFICATION

A. FTO Screening

- 1. The BFO Deputy Chief shall convene an FTO Screening Panel comprised of the following personnel:
 - a. BFO Deputy Chief (Panel Chairperson);
 - b. All Area Commanders;
 - c. Office of Inspector General Commander;
 - d. Internal Affairs Division Commander;
 - e. Use of Force Subject Matter Expert; and
 - f. FTPC.
- 2. The FTO Screening Panel shall:
 - a. Collectively review all officers who have successfully completed the FTO testing process;
 - b. Tier officers into groups of candidates consisting of;
 - 1) Exemplary candidates;
 - 2) Candidates who exceed minimum selection standards:
 - 3) Candidates who meet minimum selection standards; and if applicable,
 - 4) Candidates, who, although passed the testing process, fail to meet the FTO Screening Panel's standard.
 - c. Rank the candidates in Tier 1-3 above, in descending, order to create an FTO Eligibility List.

NOTE: Candidates in Tier 4 are disqualified and shall not appear on the FTO Eligibility List.

d. Present the FTO Eligibility List to the Chief of Police for certification.

- e. Notify disqualified officers and their immediate supervisor of the reason and advise the candidate they may request a meeting with the BFO Deputy Chief to discuss the circumstances
- f. The FTO Eligibility List shall remain in effect for a period not to exceed 18 months.

B. Candidate Selection Process

- 1. The FTU shall notify the Chief of Police when FTO openings exist.
- 2. When needed, the Chief of Police selects candidates from the FTO Eligibility List to attend the POST-Certified FTO Course.
- 3. The FTU shall notify selected candidates as to the time, date, and location of the course.
- 4. In the event that a candidate is not selected to attend the POST-Certified FTO Course, the FTU shall notify the candidate and their immediate supervisor of the reason and advise the candidate they may request a meeting with the BFO Deputy Chief to discuss the circumstances.

C. FTO Certification Course

The FTU shall ensure all FTO Certification Courses minimally consist of the following course topics:

- 1. Professionalism, ethics, and leadership;
- 2. Expectations, functions, and roles of the FTO;
- 3. Competency, evaluation, and documentation;
- 4. Teaching and training skills development; and
- 5. Legal and liability issues for FTOs.

D. FTO Certification

- 1. The FTU shall forward a memorandum to the Chief of Police when candidates have completed the FTO Course and provide recommendations as to which candidates best meet the needs of the FTU.
- 2. Only the Chief of Police may certify an officer as an FTO.

- 3. The FTU shall notify those candidates certified by the Chief of Police.
- 4. FTOs shall attend a POST-Certified FTO Update Course at least once every three (3) years to maintain certification.

IV. ASSIGNMENTS, TRAINING SCHEDULES AND RESTRICTIONS

- A. Trainee Officer Assignments
 - 1. Upon completion of a Basic Academy or Lateral Officer Transition Course, trainee officers shall be assigned to the Patrol Division to complete the Field Training Program.
 - 2. The FTU shall be responsible for scheduling all trainee officer assignments to include placing trainee officers with an FTO.
 - In the event not enough FTOs are available, the FTU shall assist in scheduling non-patrol assignments.
 - 3. Officers who have previously completed the Department's Field Training Program, such as rehired officers or officers returning from an extended absence, shall not be assigned to field training.

B. Field Training Schedule

- 1. The Department's Field Training Program shall consist of 16 weeks of training.
- 2. Each trainee officer shall complete four (4) field training rotations consisting of four (4) weeks each.
- 3. Trainee officers shall rotate to a different geographical area of the City during each of the first three (3) rotations;
- 4. Trainee officers shall rotate to a different FTO during each of the first three (3) rotations and then (when possible) return to his/her first FTO to complete their training;
- 5. Trainee officers shall be assigned an FTO whenever performing Patrol related duties and shall remain within visual presence of his/her FTO while in the field.

C. Field Training Remedial Extension

1. If a trainee officer's performance is deficient at the end of the 16-week field training cycle, a remedial extension may be granted if the trainee officer's Patrol sergeant believes the trainee officer appears capable of correcting the deficient performance within the remedial four (4)-week period.

The Patrol sergeant shall:

- a. Ensure the trainee officer has been administered a Performance Deficiency Notice (PDN);
- b. Notify the FTU of the need for a remedial extension; and
- c. Forward a copy of the PDN directly to the FTU.
- 2. If a trainee officer's performance reached an acceptable level of improvement during the first remedial extension but he/she did not have enough time to demonstrate their solo officer abilities, a second four (4) week remedial extension may be granted by the BFO Deputy Chief if he/she believes there is a significant likelihood the trainee officer will be able to perform the duties of a solo officer by the end of the second extension.
 - a. The Patrol sergeant shall advise the FTU of the trainee officer's status and request the extension.
 - b. The FTU shall consult with the BFO Deputy Chief to obtain approval or denial.
 - c. The FTU shall notify the Patrol sergeant of the approval or denial.
 - d. If denied, the Patrol sergeant shall follow the procedures set forth for trainee officer removal.

D. Field Training Restrictions

- 1. Trainee officers shall not perform Patrol related duties unless under the direct supervision of an FTO or Patrol sergeant.
- 2. FTOs shall not supervise more than one (1) trainee officer at a time.

- 3. FTOs shall not supervise a trainee officer while simultaneously assigned as an Acting Sergeant.
- 4. Trainee officers shall be placed in a non-patrol assignment when no FTO is available.
- 5. Trainee officers shall not be placed at the Patrol Desk without direct FTO supervision.
- 6. Trainee officers shall only drive a police vehicle under the direct supervision of a FTO or supervisor.
- 7. Trainee officers shall not drive or ride in a privately-owned vehicle while in uniform.

V. TRAINEE OFFICER REMOVAL

- A. A trainee officer may be removed from the Field Training Program for unacceptable performance in the following manner:
 - 1. The trainee officer's Patrol sergeant shall consult with the FTU to determine if a trainee officer's performance has reached an unacceptable level and all reasonable attempts to correct the performance have failed;
 - 2. If removal is deemed appropriate, the FTU shall notify the trainee officer's Area Captain who shall contact the BFO Deputy Chief to obtain authorization to place the trainee officer on paid administrative leave;
 - 3. If authorization is granted, the trainee officer's Patrol sergeant shall prepare a memorandum placing the trainee officer on paid administrative leave;
 - 4. The trainee officer's Patrol sergeant, FTO, and FTU staff (when available) shall serve the trainee officer with the administrative leave memorandum. The trainee officer shall sign and receive a copy of the memorandum with the original placed in the trainee officer's field training file.
 - 5. The FTU (or Patrol sergeant if no FTU staff member is available) shall collect the following Department-issued equipment from the trainee officer:
 - a. Department-owned basic and safety equipment;
 - b. Star:
 - c. Hat shield;

- d. Proximity card (if issued);
- e. Call box key;
- f. Identification card; and
- g. Field Training Program Binder.
- * If the Patrol sergeant collects the items, he/she shall forward to the FTU.
- 6. The trainee officer's Patrol sergeant shall prepare a memorandum addressed to the Chief of Police requesting removal of the trainee officer from the Department.
- 7. The Patrol sergeant shall hand-deliver the memorandum to his/her Area Lieutenant and Captain, obtain their signatures, and forward directly to the FTU for inclusion in the field training file.
- 8. The FTU shall prepare and place the following documents in the field training file:
 - a. A memorandum addressed to the City Administrator from the Chief of Police requesting the trainee officer's removal;
 - b. A formal "City of Oakland" removal letter addressed to the trainee officer issued by the City Administrator; and
 - c. A cover letter addressed to the Chief of Police listing the documents being forwarded.
- 9. The FTU shall make a copy of the trainee officer's field training file for the City Administrator and log the date and time the file was forwarded to the City Administrator.
- 10. The FTU shall forward the file to the City Administrator through the BFO chain-of-command.
- 11. The FTU shall notify the following of the trainee officer's placement on administrative leave:
 - a. Chief of Police:
 - b. Assistant Chief of Police;
 - c. BFO Deputy Chief;
 - d. Area Commanders;
 - e. Training Section Commander;
 - f. BFO Administrative Officer;
 - g. Fiscal Services Division;
 - h. Personnel Section; and

- i. Backgrounds and Recruiting Unit Supervisor.
- 12. The Personnel Section shall ensure the trainee officer's weekly timesheet is prepared while the trainee officer remains on paid administrative leave.
- 13. The Office of Chief of Police shall contact the FTU upon return of the trainee officer's file.
- 14. The FTU shall log the return of the trainee officer's file.
- 15. If removal has been granted, the FTU shall contact Fiscal Services to obtain the trainee officer's final pay check.
- 16. The FTU shall arrange a meeting with the trainee officer upon notice from Fiscal Services the final pay check has been prepared.
- 17. The FTU shall administer the signed formal removal letter and present the trainee officer with a copy of the letter and his/her final pay check.
- 18. The FTU shall walk the trainee officer through the checkout process.
- 19. The FTU shall notify the following of the trainee officer's removal:
 - a. Chief of Police;
 - b. Assistant Chief of Police;
 - c. BFO Deputy Chief;
 - d. Area Commanders;
 - e. Training Section Commander;
 - f. BFO Administrative Officer;
 - g. Fiscal Services Division;
 - h. Personnel Section;
 - i. Backgrounds and Recruiting Unit Supervisor; and
 - j. Trainee officer's chain-of-command.
- B. Removal of a trainee officer due to safety concerns

When a trainee officer commits an egregious act or omission that compromises his/her safety or the safety of others, the trainee officer may be removed from the Field Training Program.

1. The FTO, Patrol sergeant, or FTU member witnessing or learning of the incident shall notify the BFO Deputy Chief immediately through the trainee officer's chain-of-command.

2. If the BFO Deputy Chief believes the incident justifies the trainee officer's immediate removal from the Field Training Program, he/she shall authorize the trainee officer be placed on administrative leave and the steps listed for Trainee Officer Removal shall be followed.

VI. LATERAL OFFICER EARLY RELEASE FROM FIELD TRAINING

- A. A lateral officer may be released early from the Field Training Program if the officer:
 - 1. Possesses a current POST Basic Certificate;
 - 2. Has a minimum of one (1) year prior solo patrol experience during previous employment;
 - 3. Has received consistently acceptable or better Daily Observation Reports; and
 - 4. Has completed the Field Training Workbook.
- B. The Patrol sergeant shall;
 - 1. Confirm all early release requirements have been met and notify the FTU;
 - 2. Complete a Lateral Officer Early Release Report (TF-3313);
 - 3. Obtain endorsements from his/her Area Lieutenant and Captain; and
 - 4. Deliver the memorandum directly to the FTU.
- C. The FTU shall:
 - 1. Forward the Lateral Officer Early Release Report to the Chief of Police through the BFO Administration chain-of-command;
 - 2. Notify all involved parties of the approval or denial; and
 - 3. Notify the BFO Administrative Officer of any officer approved for early release.

VII. FIELD TRAINING MEETINGS

A. Weekly Conference

- 1. The trainee officer and his/her FTO shall meet at the conclusion of each training week with their Patrol sergeant or in his/her absence, another Patrol sergeant to review the trainee officer's progress.
- 2. If a trainee officer's performance is deficient, the Patrol sergeant shall contact the FTU, as needed, to discuss training and/or remediation strategies, and, if warranted, prepare and administer a PDN.

B. Personal Interviews

- 1. The FTU shall conduct a personal interview with each trainee officer prior to the trainee officer rotating from one FTO to the next to allow the trainee officer an opportunity to raise any questions or concerns about the quality of training received.
- 2. Prior to conducting the personal interview, the FTU shall advise the trainee officer that he/she may report misconduct directly to the IAD Commander or the FTU staff. All reasonable attempts shall be made to maintain confidentiality, if requested. Officers may report misconduct anonymously to the IAD Commander or the FTU staff at any time.

C. Staff Meetings

The FTU shall facilitate staff meetings every four (4)-weeks when trainee officers are assigned to field training.

- 1. The following personnel shall attend staff meetings:
 - a. FTOs training or receiving a trainee officer; and,
 - b. Patrol sergeants who receive a trainee officer into their squad (except for Patrol sergeants who are receiving a trainee officer on his/her first field assignment following graduation).
 - c. FTOs directed to attend for development and/or training purposes.
- 2. Overtime is only authorized for attendance on a regular work day.
- 3. FTU staff shall discuss the performance of trainee officers in field training and assist FTOs and Patrol sergeants with developing training and teaching strategies.

D. Focus Group Sessions

The FTPC or designee and a member of the Training Section shall conduct Focus Group Sessions with graduates of each Basic Academy and Lateral Officer Transition Course.

- 1. Trainee officers shall be selected randomly to attend.
- 2. The first session shall be conducted at the mid-point of field training, the second session following the completion of field training, and the final session within six (6) months of the completion of field training.
- 3. Sessions shall be used to determine consistency between what is taught in the Basic Academy and Lateral Officer Transition Course with that taught in the Field Training Program, as well as identify any teaching or training practice that may not meet program or Departmental standards.
- 4. The FTPC shall prepare a memorandum to document the feedback of each session and forward to the following:
 - a. Chief of Police;
 - b. BFO Deputy Chief;
 - c. Training Section Commander; and
 - d. Academy Training Coordinator.
- 5. If a substantial discrepancy is identified the FTPC shall consult the Department's subject matter expert (SME) for that particular training area to obtain a recommendation for correcting the discrepancy.

E. Quarterly Panel Review

The FTU shall arrange a Quarterly Panel Review to discuss the feedback from Focus Group Sessions held within 30 days of the end of each calendar quarter.

- 1. The following members shall attend:
 - a. BFO Deputy Chief;
 - b. Bureau of Services Deputy Chief;
 - c. Training Section Commander; and
 - d. FTPC.

- 2. The panel shall discuss all discrepancies identified during the Focus Group Sessions and determine a course of action for each.
- 3. The panel shall consider SME recommendations for substantial discrepancies prior to making a determination as to the course of action to ensure the Academy and Field Training Program practices are consistent. If changes in practice or policy are needed, the Panel shall ensure those changes are implemented as soon as practical.
- 4. If the panel determines a discrepancy is due to an FTO or group of FTOs, rather than the program as a whole, the panel shall determine whether the discrepancy is serious enough to warrant FTO removal from the program.
- 5. The FTPC shall prepare a memorandum documenting the results of the Quarterly Panel Review and forward to all involved parties and the Chief of Police.

F. Annual FTO Review

- 1. The BFO Deputy Chief shall convene an Annual FTO Review Panel comprised of the following personnel:
 - a. BFO Deputy Chief (Panel Chairperson)
 - b. Area Commanders;
 - c. Office of Inspector General Commander;
 - d. Internal Affairs Division Commander;
 - e. Use of Force Subject Matter Expert; and
 - f. FTPC
- 2. The Annual FTO Review Panel shall:
 - a. Collectively review the performance of the FTU and all FTOs in the program;
 - b. Identify and recognize exceptional work; and,
 - c. Identify performance concerns of any FTO or FTU staff and suggest follow up actions to include:
 - 1) Monitoring; or
 - 2) Removal.

- d. The FTU shall prepare and forward a memorandum documenting the proceedings of the Annual FTO Review Panel to the members of the Panel.
- e. The FTU shall enter pertinent information regarding FTOs into the appropriate FTO Notes File.

VIII. FTO DECERTIFICATION

- A. FTO decertification SHALL occur under the following conditions:
 - 1. An FTO is promoted to a rank higher than Police Officer.
 - 2. An FTO is physically transferred¹ to a position other than a Patrol Officer, Foot Patrol Officer or an Officer in specific field based unit position, as designated by the Chief of Police, authorized to serve as an FTO.
 - 3. An FTO is assigned on a voluntary loan that exceeds 90 days.
 - 4. An FTO is placed on an administrative transfer due to illness or injury that exceeds 90 days from the date of transfer.
 - 5. An FTO requests decertification by preparing and forwarding a memorandum through his/her chain-of-command to the Chief of Police and obtains the endorsement of the Chief of Police.
 - 6. An FTO fails to receive an "Overall" fully effective performance appraisal.
 - 7. An FTO is placed on a Performance Deficiency Notice.
 - 8. An FTO is the subject of any of the following Class 1 complaints where the presumptive finding² is determined to be sustained:
 - a. Excessive force;
 - b. Unlawful arrest;
 - c. False testimony;
 - d. Racial, ethnic, sexual orientation or gender based discrimination or slurs; or

¹ Example: When an officer is transferred and is loaned back to Patrol to continue to participate as an FTO, he/she shall not be de-certified. There shall not be any lapse of time between the transfer and the loan back to Patrol.

² A presumptive finding is when the preponderance of the current facts of the case would indicate a sustained finding is forthcoming.

- e. Other serious examples of police misconduct.
- 9. The BFO Deputy Chief shall review all complaints involving FTOs during the Monthly IAD Review and contact the IAD Commander to determine the presumptive sustained finding of all known Class 1 complaints.
 - a. If a negative finding is presumed, the BFO Deputy Chief may recommend to the Chief of Police to postpone decertification until the final disposition of the investigation.
- 10. The BFO Deputy Chief shall notify the FTU of the decision and forward all documentation to the FTU.
- B. FTO decertification MAY occur under the following conditions:
 - 1. The FTO fails to maintain an acceptable level of conduct as determined by a sustained finding by the IAD or CPRB; or receives multiple complaints that demonstrate a pattern of disregard for policy or procedures.
 - The FTU shall prepare a memorandum recommending decertification or retention of an FTO whenever a sustained IAD finding has been received or a pattern of disregard for policy or procedures appears to have developed.
 - The memorandum shall be forwarded through the chain-of-command to the Chief of Police.
 - 3. When the reduction in field training requires fewer FTOs. Decertification shall occur based on program needs.
- C. Any member decertified for substandard performance or behavior may request a meeting with the BFO Deputy Chief.

IX. FTO RECERTIFICATION

FTO recertification MAY occur under the following conditions:

- A. An officer who was certified as an FTO within the past five (5) years and currently working as an officer in Patrol, Foot Patrol or in a specific field based unit, as designated by the Chief of Police, authorized to serve as an FTO may be recertified in the following manner:
 - 1. Notify his/her Patrol sergeant that he/she requests FTO recertification.

- 2. The officer's Patrol sergeant shall verify the officer meets the qualifications listed in Part II, B, 1-10 and completes an FTO Nomination/Recertification Questionnaire.
- 3. The officer's Patrol sergeant shall forward the completed questionnaire directly to the FTU or provide the member with a reason for the denial.

B. The FTU shall:

- 1. Locate the officer's Field Training File;
- 2. Complete an FTO Nomination/Recertification Matrix Report;
- 3. Obtain all Use of Force reports for a period of 30 months preceding the recertification request;
- 4. Prepare an Area Command Review Report for each commander in the officer's chain-of-command;
- 5. Prepare a BFO Deputy Chief Review Report; and,
- 6. Place all Reports in the officer's Field Training File and forward through the officer's chain-of-command to the Chief of Police for endorsement.

C. Area Command Review:

- 1. Patrol commanders shall review the officer's Field Training File;
- 2. Complete the Area Command Review Report, to include specific reasons to support or deny the officer's recertification request; and,
- 3. Forward Field Training File through the chain-of-command to the BFO Deputy Chief.

D. BFO Deputy Chief Review:

- 1. Review the officer's Field Training File;
- 2. Review the Area Command Review Report and endorsements provided by commanders;
- 3. Complete a BFO Deputy Chief Review Report, to include citing specific reasons to support or deny recertification; and
- 4. Forward to the Chief of Police.

E. FTO Recertification:

- 1. Upon notification from the Chief of Police, the FTU shall advise the officer of the Chief's decision.
- 2. An officer must have attended a POST FTO Course or POST FTO Update Course within the past three (3) years prior to being recertified
- 3. An officer not recertified may schedule a meeting with the BFO Deputy Chief.
- 4. Recertification of FTOs, decertified due to the reduction in field training, shall be based on program needs.

X. WRITTEN REPORTS, DUE DATES, AND DISTRIBUTION

- A. Daily Observation Report (DOR) TF-3140a
 - 1. Every FTO who supervises a trainee officer shall complete a DOR beginning the second week of field training.
 - 2. If a trainee officer is absent or placed in a non-field assignment the assigned FTO shall complete a DOR. All categories shall be marked "Not Observed" (N.O.) and the FTO shall indicate the reason for the non-field assignment.
 - 3. The FTO shall review the DOR with the trainee officer at the conclusion of the shift or no later than the beginning of the next shift and obtain the trainee officer's signature acknowledging the review;
 - 4. At the conclusion of the work week, the FTO shall review all DORs with his/her Patrol sergeant and obtain the Patrol sergeant's signature acknowledging the review;
 - 5. The trainee officer shall make a copy of the signed DORs and place the copy in his/her field training binder.
 - 6. The FTO shall ensure the original DORs are forwarded directly to the FTU no later than the start of the trainee officer's next work week.
 - 7. The FTU shall review all DORs to monitor the development of each trainee officer and provide feedback to trainee officers, FTOs, and Patrol sergeants when necessary to address poor performance.

B. Weekly Progress Report (WPR) TF-3143

- 1. The Patrol sergeant (or Acting sergeant who has received the required update training) shall prepare a WPR at the completion of a trainee officer's work week to provide the trainee officer with feedback on his/her progress.
- 2. The sergeant shall review the WPR with the trainee officer and obtain a signature to acknowledge the review.
- 3. The sergeant shall forward the WPR directly to the FTU no later than the start of the trainee officer's next work week.
- 4. The WPR should be completed by the trainee officer's Patrol sergeant; however, if that sergeant is unavailable the WPR may be completed by any Patrol sergeant. If the trainee officer's FTO is unable to locate a Patrol sergeant to complete the WPR he/she is authorized to notify their Patrol commander to designate a sergeant to complete the WPR.
- C. Trainee Officer Log (TF-3227)

Trainee officers shall prepare and forward a Trainee Officer Log directly to the FTU at the conclusion of each work week.

D. End of Phase Report (TF-3142)

The FTO shall complete an End of Phase Report at the conclusion of field training weeks 4, 8 and 12 when providing field training services. If a trainee officer is extended, the FTO shall also complete an End of Phase Report at the conclusion of week 16.

E. Personal Interview Questionnaire (TF-3237)

Prior to a trainee officer rotating from one FTO to another, the FTU shall complete a Personal Interview Questionnaire to provide the trainee officer with an opportunity to raise any questions or concerns he/she may have about the quality of training received.

- 1. The FTU shall contact the responsible FTO or Patrol sergeant to address any questions or concerns regarding the quality of training provided by the trainee officer.
- 2. The FTU shall report any violation of Departmental General Order M-3, COMPLAINTS AGAINST PERSONNEL OR PROCEDURES to the Internal Affairs Division

- 3. The Personal Interview Questionnaire shall contain a disclaimer advising trainee officers they may report misconduct directly to the IAD Commander or FTU staff, with all reasonable attempts made to maintain confidentiality, if requested. Trainee officers may also report misconduct anonymously to either the IAD or the FTU.
- F. Trainee Final Evaluation Report (TF-3242)
 - 1. The FTU shall complete a Trainee Final Evaluation Report for each officer who successfully completes the Field Training Program.
 - 2. The FTU shall obtain a signature from the officer, the final FTO, the officer's commanders, and the BFO Deputy Chief to acknowledge the officer's completion of the program.
 - 3. The FTU shall place a copy of the report in the officer's field training file and forward copies to the:
 - a. Trainee officer;
 - b. Final FTO; and
 - c. Personnel Section.
- G. Completion and Competency Attestation Report (TF-3231)
 - 1. The FTU shall complete a Completion and Competency Attestation Report for each trainee officer who successfully completes the Field Training Program.
 - 2. The FTU shall obtain signatures on the report from the FTPC, FTO, officer, and Chief of Police to acknowledge the officer has received all required training and has attained the necessary level of competency to work as a solo Patrol officer.
 - 3. The FTU shall place the report in the officer's field training file.
- H. FTO Evaluation Report (TF-3144)
 - 1. The FTU shall prepare an FTO Evaluation Report and forward to each officer who successfully completes the Field Training Program.
 - 2. The officer shall complete the report and return it to the FTU within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the report.
 - 3. The FTU shall not provide the name of an officer who completes an FTO Evaluation Report to any FTO.

- 4. The report shall contain a disclaimer advising trainee officers they may report misconduct directly to the IAD Commander or FTU, with all reasonable attempts made to maintain confidentiality, if requested. Trainee officers may also report misconduct anonymously to either the IAD or the FTU at any time.
- 5. The information submitted by each officer shall remain anonymous unless the FTU believes the officer has reported a violation of Departmental policy, which shall be investigated in accordance with Department General Order M-3, COMPLAINTS AGAINST DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL OR PROCEDURES.
- 6. The FTU shall provide evaluation information to FTOs as a group concerning program effectiveness and shall meet with FTOs individually, as needed, to discuss deficiencies and recommend methods for improving training and teaching practices.
- 7. The FTU shall forward reports to each evaluated FTO, all members within the FTO's chain-of-command, the Training Section Commander, and the Chief of Police.
- I. Field Training Program Evaluation Report (TF-3228)
 - 1. The FTU shall prepare and forward a Field Training Program Evaluation Report to each officer who successfully completes the Field Training Program to assess the degree to which the Field Training Program reflected Departmental policies, procedures, and values taught in the Basic Academy or Lateral Officer Transition Course.
 - 2. The officer shall complete the report and return it to the FTU within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of the report.
 - 3. The FTPC shall review and forward reports to the BFO Commander for review.
 - 4. The FTPC shall provide evaluation information to FTOs and Patrol sergeants as a group concerning the effectiveness of the Field Training Program.
- J. Annual FTO Evaluation Report (TF-3221)
 - 1. The FTU shall prepare an Annual Field Training Officer Evaluation Report for each FTO to document the officer's overall performance in the Field Training Program no later than 30 days prior to the officers Annual Performance Appraisal.

2. The FTU shall forward the report to the FTO, members of the FTO's chain-of-command, the Training Section Commander, and the Chief of Police.

K. FTO Notes File

The FTU shall maintain an FTO Notes File to document positive and negative issues related to performance and any corrective action, when necessary. The FTU shall include information contained in the file when completing an officer's Annual FTO Evaluation Report.

XI. FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM INCENTIVES

A. Incentive Pay

- 1. FTOs shall receive incentive pay in accordance with the governing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
- 2. FTOs shall receive incentive pay:
 - a. When assigned to Patrol, Foot Patrol or in a specific field based unit, as designated by the Chief of Police, authorized to serve as an FTO; or
 - b. When providing direct assistance to the FTU.

B. Promotional Incentives

FTOs shall receive promotional incentives in accordance with the governing MOU.

C. Administrative Day

- 1. FTOs who provide six (6) months of continuous service shall receive one (1) Administrative Day.
- 2. The use of the Administrative Day shall be determined by Area Command policy.

D. Chevrons

A FTO shall be authorized to wear the two-stripe chevrons as defined in Departmental General Order C-1, UNIFORM AND EQUIPMENT.

E. FTO Insignia Pin

FTOs, and those officers who served as an FTO for a total of three (3) years (may be non-consecutive periods), may wear the silver FTO insignia pin, unless decertified for cause.

F. Departmental Instructors

FTOs shall receive priority selection as Departmental instructors.

G. FTO of the Year Award

- 1. Officers eligible for the FTO of the Year award must be assigned to Patrol or Foot Patrol and have provided at least three (3) months of continuous service as an FTO during the calendar year.
- 2. FTOs, Patrol sergeants, and officers trained within the calendar year are eligible to vote for the FTO of the Year.
- 3. The FTU shall prepare a ballot listing those FTOs eligible for the award and forward the ballot to all eligible voters no later than the last day of the calendar year.
- 4. The FTU shall present the FTO with the most votes the FTO of the Year Award.

XII. FIELD TRAINING PROGRAM REVIEW

A. Monthly IAD Review

- 1. The FTU shall prepare and forward a list of current FTOs, officers on the Eligibility List, and officers in the FTO testing process to the IAD at the conclusion of each month for a complaint history review to ensure program standards are maintained.
- 2. The IAD shall compile all open and closed case complaint history information related to the list of names provided and forward the information to the FTPC.
- 3. The FTPC shall document all new complaint information and closed case dispositions on the Monthly IAD Review Report and forward to the BFO Deputy Chief for review.
- 4. The BFO Deputy Chief shall review all complaints and direct the FTPC to address follow up requirements, as well as determine if cause exists to remove or disqualify any program personnel.

- 5. The BFO Deputy Chief shall contact the IAD Commander to determine the presumptive finding for an open Class 1 complaint to determine if a recommendation for FTO removal is appropriate.
- 6. Personnel removed from the program may request a meeting with the BFO Deputy Chief.
- B. The FTU shall, as soon as practical, address inconsistent or problematic teaching and training practices of any FTO and document the corrective action taken in the FTO Notes File.
- C. The FTU shall conduct random audits of the Field Training Program to ensure all reports and evaluations have been received, are complete, and filed accordingly, and the standards for FTOs are maintained.
- D. The FTU shall monitor POST program changes, evaluate industry standards, and solicit suggestions and comments from Departmental personnel regarding ways to maintain an efficient and effective Field Training Program.

By order of

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Date Signed: _ 6-2-14



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