

**Brief reason for the revision:**

This is a new policy for the implantation and use of livestreaming with the current Axon body cameras and the future use of Axon vehicle camera systems and robotics. Please consult Police Technology for any questions before changing any language of this policy, as it may affect some technical aspects.

Digital Mobile Audio Video Recording, the current 304, has been completely deleted from 304 and moved and combined into 303. This left 304 a blank policy and is now titled Livestreaming.

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## **304 ~~Digital Mobile Audio Video Recording~~ Livestreaming**

### **304.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

Using Axon Respond™ for livestreaming will fill critical information gaps with a network of intelligent, connected devices that will ultimately improve the safety of the public, officer safety, and the efficiency with which the Department responds to and resolves calls for service. Axon Respond™ currently leverages Axon® body worn cameras, Axon Fleet® 3 vehicles, and Axon Air™ powered by DroneSense® devices. Axon Respond provides real-time alerts, real-time location, and livestreaming of incidents on the Axon Respond map which are accessible from Axon Evidence or the Axon Respond application on a mobile device.

By design, any activation of the livestreaming function will send visual, audible, and/or haptic notification to the affected employee via the device being livestreamed. Livestreaming a device is only possible when the device is powered on and recording. Audit trail logging shows who accessed the live map and when, and who accessed a livestream and when.

#### 304.1.1 Supervisors

Supervisors shall adhere to the following with respect to the livestream function:

- (a) The ability to livestream is available to supervisors that hold the rank of corporal or above;
- (b) Supervisors shall only use livestreaming when they have direct command and control authority over a call or incident;
- (c) Livestreaming shall not be used as a means to covertly attempt to monitor an employee's activity;
- (d) Examples of when a supervisor may livestream an event include, but are not limited to:
  - 1. To monitor a tactical situation or operation;
  - 2. To monitor a complex, rapidly evolving incident;
  - 3. Felony traffic stops;
  - 4. Officer in Need of Assistance (ONA); and
  - 5. Upon the request of an employee that is actively involved in an event or incident.
- (e) Before a supervisor can activate livestreaming, or at the earliest opportunity and when safe to do so, they shall:
  - 1. Notify the individual employee(s) that livestreaming will be or has been activated, or;
  - 2. Make a general broadcast over the radio system that livestreaming will be activated for a particular incident; and,
  - 3. Ensure that a comment is logged into the CAD call that livestreaming was utilized.

#### 304.1.2 Communications

The Department recognizes that the Communications Team plays a vital role in the safety of the public, officer safety, and the overall resolution of incidents or calls for service. However, the ability to livestream Axon® devices is reserved for those supervisors that have direct command and control over

an incident or call for service and the employees who are actively working the incident or call for service.

Dispatchers and communication supervisors have 'View Location' privileges and cannot livestream.