

COOLIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT		
	<p>CHAPTER 7</p> <p>EMERGENCY MOBILIZATION AND TACTICAL ALERT</p> <p>CALEA Standard(s):</p>	<p>General Orders</p>
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A. Tactical alert and response to request for back up

1. The purpose of a tactical alert will be to notify, as quickly as possible, all police personnel of an emergency, to main control of re-assignment of field forces, and to prevent uncontrolled voluntary response to the emergency scene.
2. When an Officer requires additional assistance at the scene of an incident, the following procedure should be followed:
 - a. The Officer requesting assistance will inform the dispatcher as to the nature of the request for back up; emergency or non-emergency. The Officer may specifically request only one Officer respond.
 - b. Unless otherwise specifically requested by the Officer at the scene or the supervisor on duty, the dispatcher shall dispatch all available on duty Officers to the scene and give them the nature of the problem, if known, when the Officer is unable or fails to give specifics when requesting back up.
 - c. When further assistance is specifically requested by an Officer at the scene, the dispatcher shall contact the most available three (3) to four (4) off duty Officers and direct them to the scene. Pagers may be used for this purpose.
 - d. Only when specifically requested to do so by a supervisor will the dispatcher contact all off duty Officers and request their response.
 - e. Only in a very serious situation that cannot be handled by available Officers of this department will requests for emergency assistance be made to other area law enforcement agencies. The dispatcher will request assistance from another agency only when so directed by a supervisor, and then will request only readily available or on duty personnel.

- f. On duty personnel will be redeployed to handle the emergency situation as needed and may be held over to work in conjunction with an oncoming shift.

B. Department mobilization

1. The entire department will be mobilized at the discretion of the Chief of Police or a Command Officer when the forces assembled by a tactical alert are insufficient to meet the demands of a situation, or when the emergency is of sufficient magnitude to require major deviation from normal operational procedures.
 - a. Before the department is mobilized, a tactical alert will normally be put into operation.
 - b. Mobilization will be activated by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander and will involve as many police personnel as necessary.
 1. A central command post as well as field command post may be established if necessary.
 2. Units will restrict their activities to police work of major importance, unless otherwise directed.
 - c. Citizens will be directed to defer reporting minor complaints until after the emergency, or report them in person at police headquarters.
 - d. Police services in unaffected areas will be reduced as far as possible to allow the deployment of a maximum field force in disturbance or disaster areas.
 - e. Employees will report for duty as directed.
 - f. Sworn personnel will report immediately, upon notification, in uniform unless otherwise directed.
 - g. Any employee, upon learning that an emergency exists or that the department has been mobilized, will contact the division to which assigned for reporting instructions.

C. Emergency plans

1. Emergency plans provide for the eventual commitment of personnel and equipment from the Police Department, the Pinal County Sheriff's

Department, the Arizona Department of Public Safety, and the Arizona National Guard. The guidelines outlined in this section will govern the activation and utilization of these resources.

- a. The Chief of Police, under the direction of the Mayor and City Manager, will assume control of all civil disturbances or disaster operations, and will prescribe specific responsibilities and operational procedures pertinent to participating agencies.
- b. Employees will exercise extreme care so as not to show partiality to any participant in civil disturbance or problem.
- c. The police function in such disputes will be to preserve the peace, protect life and property, and enforce criminal statutes.
- d. In disturbance areas, employees will conduct their business (arrests, interrogations, etc.) as quickly as possible and clear the area.
- e. The use of red lights, sirens and high speeds will be used only when absolutely necessary within a disturbance area.

D. Execution of emergency operations

1. When a disturbance or disaster occurs within the City that requires the application of massive lawful counter force, the Police Chief and Command of the Operations Division will be notified.
 - a. Upon orders from the Mayor or City Manager, the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) will be activated.
 1. The EOC will be set up in the Police or Fire Department building, depending on circumstances and decisions made at that time.
 2. The EOC will be manned by Police and Fire Chiefs and their assistants.
2. Sworn police personnel will be mobilized and committed as needed.
3. If department personnel are unable to control the disturbance, the Pinal County Sheriff's Department will be notified and their assistance requested.
4. If additional assistance is required, the Department of Public Safety will be notified and their assistance requested.
5. If maximum control becomes necessary, the Mayor will request additional assistance from the Governor of the State who may proclaim

a state of emergency and authorize the mobilization of the Arizona National Guard.