

Chapter 5 - Traffic Operations

Traffic Function and Responsibility

500.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The ultimate goal of traffic law enforcement is to reduce traffic collisions. This may be achieved through the application of such techniques as geographic/temporal assignment of personnel and equipment and the establishment of preventive patrols to deal with specific categories of unlawful driving behavior. Traffic enforcement techniques are based on accident data, enforcement activity records, traffic volume, and traffic conditions. This department provides enforcement efforts toward violations, not only in proportion to the frequency of their occurrence in accident situations, but also in terms of traffic-related needs.

500.2 TRAFFIC OFFICER DEPLOYMENT

Several factors are considered in the development of deployment schedules for officers of the Matteson Police Department. Traffic crash information provided by the Illinois Department of Transportation is a valuable resource for traffic accident occurrences and therefore officer deployment. Some of the factors for analysis include:

- Location
- Time
- Day
- Violation factors

All officers assigned to patrol or traffic enforcement functions will emphasize enforcement of accident causing violations during high accident hours and at locations of occurrence. All officers will take directed enforcement action on request, and random enforcement action when appropriate against violators as a matter of routine. All officers shall maintain high visibility while working general enforcement, especially at high accident locations.

Other factors to be considered for deployment are citizen requests, construction zones or special events.

500.3 ENFORCEMENT

Traffic enforcement will be consistent with applicable laws and take into account the degree and severity of the violation committed. This department does not establish ticket quotas. The number of citations issued by any officer shall not be used as criterion for evaluating officer overall performance, but the number of traffic stops completed, arrests, written warnings, and crime prevention measures are appropriate evaluation criterion (55 ILCS 5/5-1136; 65 ILCS 5/11-1-12).

Several methods are effective in the reduction of collisions:

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500.3.1 WARNINGS

Warnings or other non-punitive enforcement actions should be considered in each situation and substituted for arrests or citations when circumstances warrant, especially in the case of inadvertent violations.

500.3.2 CITATIONS

Citations may be issued when an officer believes it is appropriate. It is essential that officers fully explain the rights and requirements imposed on motorists upon issuance of a citation for a traffic violation. Officers should provide the following information at a minimum:

- (a) Explanation of the violation or charge.
- (b) Court appearance procedure including the optional or mandatory appearance by the motorist.
- (c) Notice of whether the motorist can enter a plea and pay the fine by mail or at the court.

500.3.3 PHYSICAL ARREST

Physical arrest can be made on a number of criminal traffic offenses outlined in the Vehicle Code or Criminal Code. These physical arrest cases usually deal with, but are not limited to:

- (a) Reckless homicide.
- (b) Felony and misdemeanor driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs.
- (c) Felony or misdemeanor hit-and-run.
- (d) Refusal to sign notice to appear.
- (e) Any other misdemeanor at the discretion of the officer, such as reckless driving with extenuating circumstances.

500.4 STOP RECEIPTS

Whenever an officer stops a motorist under 725 ILCS 5/107-14 and pat-down searches the person or the person's property, the officer should issue a stop receipt providing the reason for the stop and containing the member's name and badge number.

500.5 SEIZURE OF ITEMS

Officers who reasonably believe that any certificate of title, registration card, permit, license, registration plate, license plate, disability license plate, parking decal or device, or registration sticker is fictitious, expired, revoked, cancelled, suspended or unlawfully issued shall seize such items for return of the items to the Secretary of State (625 ILCS 5/2-111).

500.6 SUSPENDED OR REVOKED DRIVERS LICENSES

If an officer contacts a traffic violator for driving on a suspended or revoked license, the officer may issue a traffic citation pursuant to 625 ILCS 5/6-303.

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500.7 HIGH-VISIBILITY VESTS

The Department has provided American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Class II high-visibility vests to increase the visibility of department members who may be exposed to hazards presented by passing traffic, maneuvering or operating vehicles, machinery and equipment (23 CFR 655.601).

Although intended primarily for use while performing traffic related assignments, high-visibility vests should be worn at any time increased visibility would improve the safety or efficiency of the member.

500.7.1 REQUIRED USE

Except when working in a potentially adversarial or confrontational role, such as during vehicle stops, high-visibility vests should be worn at any time it is anticipated that an employee will be exposed to the hazards of approaching traffic or construction and recovery equipment. Examples of when high-visibility vests should be worn include traffic control duties, accident investigations, lane closures and while at disaster scenes, or anytime high visibility is desirable. When emergency conditions preclude the immediate donning of the vest, officers should retrieve and wear the vest as soon as conditions reasonably permit. Use of the vests shall also be mandatory when directed by a supervisor.

Vests maintained in the investigation units may be used any time a plainclothes officer might benefit from being readily identified as a member of law enforcement.

500.7.2 CARE AND STORAGE OF HIGH-VISIBILITY VEST

High-visibility vests shall be properly maintained by the individual officers. Each vest should be properly stored inside to protect and maintain the vest in a serviceable condition. Before going into service each employee shall ensure a serviceable high-visibility vest is properly stored.

Traffic Crash Reporting

501.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The Matteson Police Department prepares traffic crash reports in compliance with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Traffic Safety Illinois Traffic Crash Report (Form SR1050) Manual, and as a public service, makes traffic crash reports available to the community with some exceptions.

501.2 RESPONSIBILITY

The Records Division will be responsible for distribution of the Illinois Traffic Crash Report Manual. The Records Division will receive all changes in the state manual and ensure conformity with this policy.

501.3 TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTING

All traffic crash reports taken by members of this department shall be approved by the appropriate patrol supervisor in a timely manner and forwarded to the Records Division for any necessary data entry into the Records Management System. The Records Division will be responsible for monthly and quarterly reports on traffic crash statistics to be forwarded to the Administration Division, or other persons as required.

501.4 REPORTING SITUATIONS

501.4.1 TRAFFIC CRASHES INVOLVING VILLAGE VEHICLES

Traffic crash investigation reports shall be taken when a Village-owned vehicle is involved in a traffic crash upon a roadway or highway or on private property when any damage or injury results. Whenever there is damage to a Village vehicle, a Vehicle Damage Report shall be completed and forwarded to the appropriate Division Commander.

Photographs of the crash scene and vehicle damage shall be taken at the discretion of the traffic investigator or any supervisor.

501.4.2 TRAFFIC CRASHES WITH POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

When an employee of this department, either on-duty or off-duty, is involved in a traffic crash within the jurisdiction of the Matteson Police Department, resulting in a serious injury or fatality, the Watch Commander should notify the Suburban Major Accident Reconstruction Team (S.M.A.R.T.), the County Sheriff, or the Illinois State Police for assistance.

The term serious injury is defined as any injury that may result in a fatality.

501.4.3 TRAFFIC CRASHES WITH OTHER VILLAGE EMPLOYEES OR OFFICIALS

The on-duty Watch Commander should request assistance from the Suburban Major Accident Reconstruction Team (S.M.A.R.T.), the County Sheriff, or the Illinois State Police for the

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investigation of any traffic crash involving any Village official or employee where a serious injury or fatality has occurred.

501.4.4 TRAFFIC CRASHES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

An Incident Report shall be taken for all reported private property crashes.

501.4.5 TRAFFIC CRASHES ON ROADWAYS OR HIGHWAYS

Traffic crash reports shall be taken when they occur on a roadway or highway within the jurisdiction of this department under any of the following circumstances:

- (a) When there is a death or injury to any persons involved in the crash.
- (b) When there is an identifiable violation of the Illinois Vehicle Code or similar local ordinance.
- (c) When a report is requested by any involved drivers.
- (d) Whenever a school bus is involved.

501.5 NOTIFICATION OF TRAFFIC BUREAU SUPERVISION

In the event of a serious injury or death related traffic crash, the Watch Commander shall notify the Administration Division to relate the circumstances of the traffic crash and seek assistance from the Suburban Major Accident Reconstruction Team (S.M.A.R.T.).

The term serious injury is defined as any injury that may result in a fatality.

501.5.1 SUPERVISORY DISCRETION

A supervisor may, if appropriate to the circumstances, request assistance from an allied agency, the County Sheriff, or the Illinois State Police for the investigation of any traffic crash.

Vehicle Towing

502.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance related to vehicle towing. Nothing in this policy shall require a member of this department to tow a vehicle.

502.2 POLICY

The Matteson Police Department will tow vehicles when appropriate and in accordance with the law.

502.3 REMOVAL OF VEHICLES DUE TO HAZARD

When a vehicle should be towed because it presents a hazard, the owner or operator should arrange for the towing. Department members may assist by communicating requests through the Dispatch Center to expedite the process.

If the owner or operator is unable to arrange for towing in a reasonable amount of time, and the vehicle presents a hazard, the vehicle may be towed at the direction of the department member (625 ILCS 5/4-203). A citation referencing the appropriate village ordinance shall be issued if a vehicle is towed at the department member's direction and documented on the tow-in form.

Vehicles that are not the property of the Village should not be driven by department members unless it is necessary to move the vehicle a short distance to eliminate a hazard, prevent the obstruction of a fire hydrant or comply with posted signs. Vehicles shall not be moved by department members to avoid towing pursuant to the Tow & Impound Ordinance.

502.4 ARREST SCENES

Whenever the owner or operator of a vehicle is arrested and the vehicle does not meet the criteria for towing under the Tow & Impound Ordinance, the arresting officer should provide reasonable safekeeping by leaving the vehicle secured and lawfully parked at the scene or, when appropriate, by having the vehicle towed, such as when the vehicle presents a traffic hazard or the vehicle would be in jeopardy of theft or damage if left at the scene.

Officers are not required to investigate whether alternatives to towing a vehicle exist after an arrest, however, a vehicle should not be towed if reasonable alternatives exist. When considering whether to leave a vehicle at the scene, officers should take into consideration public safety as well as the reasonable safety of the vehicle and its contents.

The following are examples of situations where a vehicle should not be towed:

- The vehicle has valid insurance, can be legally parked, left in a reasonably secure and safe location and is not needed as evidence.
- The vehicle has valid insurance, is parked on private property, on which the arrestee or owner is legally residing, or the property owner does not object to the vehicle being parked at that location.

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- The owner of a vehicle with valid insurance requests that it be released to a person with a valid driver's license who is present, willing and able to legally take control of the vehicle.
- The vehicle has valid insurance, is legally parked and the arrestee or owner requests that it be left at the scene. In such cases the requester should be informed that the Department will not be responsible for theft or damages.

502.5 VEHICLES RELATED TO CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Officers should tow vehicles that are needed for the furtherance of an investigation or prosecution of a case, or that are otherwise appropriate for seizure as evidence. Officers should make reasonable efforts to return a recovered stolen vehicle to its owner rather than have it towed, so long as the vehicle is not needed for evidence.

502.6 RECORDS

Records Sections shall ensure that pertinent data regarding a towed vehicle is promptly entered into the appropriate database.

502.6.1 VEHICLE STORAGE REPORT

Department members towing a vehicle shall complete a vehicle tow report. The report should be submitted to the Records Section as soon as practicable after the vehicle is towed.

A copy of the vehicle tow report for a vehicle towed pursuant to 625 ILCS 5/4-202 or 625 ILCS 5/4-203 shall be provided to the tow service (625 ILCS 5/4-204).

502.6.2 NOTICE OF TOW

When a vehicle is towed pursuant to the Tow & Impound Ordinance, the Administrative Sergeant or other department member designated by the Chief of Police shall send a Notice of Tow to the owner of title or registered owner no later than ten (10) business days after the tow. The notice shall include:

- (a) The name, address and telephone number for the Matteson Police Department.
- (b) A description of the vehicle, including:
 - (a) Manufacturer year.
 - (b) Make.
 - (c) Model.
 - (d) Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- (c) The purpose for the towing of the vehicle.
- (d) A notice providing the time, date and location for a municipal hearing.
- (e) A request for disposition of the vehicle and any information regarding a sale of the vehicle, if applicable.

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502.7 TOWING SERVICES

Members shall not show preference among towing services that have been authorized for use by the Department. A rotation system established by the Department for tow services should be followed (625 ILCS 5/4-203.5).

502.7.1 TOW ROTATION LIST

The Patrol supervisor is responsible for ensuring that tow rotation lists to be used by department members when authorizing tows properly adhered to. All complaints regarding the process for inclusion on a tow rotation list or the use of a tow rotation list shall be forwarded to the Chief of Police.

Members should only deviate from the rotation list in the following circumstances (625 ILCS 5/4-203.5):

- (a) A safety emergency justifies deviation.
- (b) The tow service next on the list is incapable of or not properly equipped for handling a specific task related to the tow that requires special skills or equipment.

Members should document the reason for any deviation in the disposition or report.

Towing firms are prohibited from soliciting tows that have not been requested by a member or the owner or operator of a disabled vehicle. Members should tell any such tow operator who is present or arrives to leave the scene (625 ILCS 5/4-203.5).

502.8 VEHICLE INVENTORY

The contents of all vehicles towed at the request of department members shall be inventoried and listed on the inventory report. When reasonably practicable, photographs may be taken to assist in the inventory.

- (a) An inventory of personal property and the contents of open containers will be conducted throughout the passenger and engine compartments of the vehicle including, but not limited to, any unlocked glove box, other accessible areas under or within the dashboard area, any pockets in the doors or in the back of the front seat, in any console between the seats, under any floor mats and under the seats.
- (b) In addition to the passenger and engine compartments as described above, an inventory of personal property and the contents of open containers will also be conducted in any other type of unlocked compartments that are a part of the vehicle, including unlocked vehicle trunks and unlocked car top containers.
- (c) Any locked compartments including, but not limited to, locked glove compartments, locked vehicle trunks, locked hatchbacks and locked car-top containers should be inventoried, provided the keys are available and released with the vehicle to the third-party towing company or an unlocking mechanism for such compartment is available within the vehicle.
- (d) Closed containers located either within the vehicle or any of the vehicle's compartments will be opened for inventory purposes if the container can be opened without damaging it.

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Members should ask the occupants whether the vehicle contains any valuables or hazardous materials. Responses should be noted in the inventory report.

When practicable and appropriate, cash, jewelry or other small valuables located during the inventory process should be removed from the vehicle and given to the owner, or booked into property for safekeeping in accordance with the Evidence & Personal Property Policy. A copy of the property record should be given to the person in control of the vehicle or, if that person is not present, left in the vehicle.

A copy of the vehicle inventory will be given to the tow truck operator.

These inventory procedures are for the purpose of protecting the vehicle owner's property, providing for the safety of department members and protecting the Department against fraudulent claims of lost, stolen or damaged property.

Towing a vehicle in order to perform an inventory should not be used as a pretext for an evidence search. Nothing in this policy prevents the towing of a vehicle that would occur for reasons independent of any suspicion that the vehicle may contain evidence if it is otherwise justified by law or this policy.

502.9 SECURITY OF VEHICLES AND RETRIEVAL OF PROPERTY

If the search of a vehicle leaves the vehicle or any property contained therein vulnerable to unauthorized entry, theft or damage, the department member conducting the search shall take such steps as are reasonably necessary to secure or protect the vehicle or property from such hazards.

Unless it would cause an unreasonable delay in towing the vehicle or create an issue of officer safety, reasonable accommodations should be made to permit the owner, operator or occupant to retrieve small items of value or personal need (e.g., cash, jewelry, cell phone, prescriptions) that are not considered evidence or contraband.

Members who become aware that a vehicle may have been towed by the Department in error should promptly advise a supervisor. Supervisors should approve, when appropriate, the release of the vehicle without requiring the owner or his/her agent to request a hearing to contest the tow.

Vehicle Tow, Storage and Impound Hearings

503.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes a procedure for the requirement to provide vehicle storage or impound hearings.

503.2 VEHICLE TOWS, STORAGE OR IMPOUNDS

When a vehicle is towed pursuant to the Village of Matteson's Tow and Impound Ordinance, by any member of the Matteson Police Department, a tow and impound folder shall be completed, and upon review by the officer's immediate supervisor, submitted to the Administrative Sergeant as soon as practicable. Vehicles that are impounded for the purpose of statutory seizure shall submit the file to the Commander of Investigations. Upon review, the Commander of Investigations will determine if the vehicle shall be subjected to seizure proceedings or be reduced to towing pursuant to the Tow and Impound Ordinance, forwarding the file to the Administrative Sergeant.

When a vehicle is towed or stored by any member of the Matteson Police Department, a hearing is scheduled and a notice sent to the owner of the title/registration. Hearings for vehicles that are impounded pursuant to a local impound ordinance shall follow hearing procedures provided within the ordinance. Vehicles that are impounded for the purpose of statutory seizure shall have hearings in compliance with the statute.

Any vehicle towed pursuant to the Tow and Impound Ordinance shall only be released to the registered owner of the vehicle, unless acceptable notice of transfer of ownership is presented.

Copies of proof of ownership shall be attached to a payment receipt and forwarded to the Administrative Sergeant.

503.2.1 HEARING PROCEDURES

Preliminary Hearing: If the owner of a vehicle towed pursuant to the Tow and Impound Ordinance desires to appeal the seizure, the owner must make a request within 24 hours of the tow for a preliminary hearing. The preliminary hearing is an informal process conducted by the Administrative Sergeant. The preliminary hearing is a process to determine that both the department policy and the Tow and Impound Ordinance were properly adhered to and if a \$500.00 bond will be required.

Administrative Hearing: Within 10 business days of the a vehicle being towed pursuant to the Tow and Impound Ordinance, the Village shall notify the registered owner, by United States Mail, of the time, date, and location of the scheduled hearing. The hearing shall be conducted pursuant to Chapter 38 of the Municipal Code.

Any relevant evidence may be submitted and reviewed by the hearing officer to determine if the vehicle in question was properly towed and/or stored in accordance with the law and Matteson Police Department policies and procedures. The employee who caused the storage or removal of the vehicle does not need to be present for this hearing.

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All requests for a hearing on a towed and/or stored vehicle shall be submitted in person, writing, or by telephone within ten days of the date appearing on the notice. The Administrative Sergeant will generally serve as the hearing officer; another agency member may be assigned by the Chief of Police or a Division Commander. The person requesting the hearing may record the hearing at his/her own expense.

The vehicle storage/towing hearing officer shall consider all information provided and determine the validity of the towing and/or storage of the vehicle in question and then render a decision. The hearing officer shall also consider any mitigating circumstances attendant to the storage that reasonably would warrant the release of the vehicle or a modification or reduction of period the vehicle is impounded.

If a decision is made that the vehicle was properly towed and/or stored within the law and department policy, and that mitigating circumstances are not a factor, the hearing officer shall so advise the inquiring party.

A decision that the vehicle was not towed and/or stored in a lawful manner or within department policy will require that the vehicle in storage be released immediately and any or all towing and storage fees will be waived.

If mitigating circumstances are found to be relevant, the hearing officer shall make reasonable adjustments to the impound period, storage, or assessment of fees as warranted.

If a decision is made that the vehicle was not towed and/or stored in a lawful manner or within department policy, and the vehicle has been released with fees having been paid, the receipt for such fees will be forwarded with a letter to the appropriate Division Commander. The hearing officer will recommend to the appropriate Division Commander that the fees paid by the registered or legal owner of the vehicle in question or their agent be reimbursed by the Department.

Impaired Driving

504.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides guidance to those department members who play a role in the detection and investigation of driving under the influence (DUI).

504.2 POLICY

The Matteson Police Department is committed to the safety of the roadways and the community and will pursue fair but aggressive enforcement of Illinois's impaired driving laws.

504.3 INVESTIGATIONS

Officers should not enforce DUI laws to the exclusion of their other duties unless specifically assigned to DUI enforcement. All officers are expected to enforce these laws with due diligence.

The Watch Commander will develop and maintain, in consultation with the prosecuting attorney, report forms with appropriate checklists to assist investigating officers in documenting relevant information and maximizing efficiency. Any DUI investigation will be documented using these forms. Information documented elsewhere on the form does not need to be duplicated in the report narrative. Information that should be documented includes, at a minimum:

- (a) The field sobriety tests (FSTs) administered and the results.
- (b) The officer's observations that indicate impairment on the part of the individual, and the officer's health-related inquiries that may help to identify any serious health concerns (e.g., diabetic shock).
- (c) Sources of additional information (e.g., reporting party, witnesses) and their observations.
- (d) Information about any audio and/or video recording of the individual's driving or subsequent actions.
- (e) The location and time frame of the individual's vehicle operation and how this was determined.
- (f) Any prior related convictions in Illinois or another jurisdiction.

504.4 FIELD TESTS

The Watch Commander should identify standardized FSTs and any approved alternate tests for officers to use when investigating violations of DUI laws.

504.4.1 MEDICAL CANNABIS CARDHOLDER

A person who is a medical cannabis card holder and is reasonably suspected of driving or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while impaired by the use of cannabis is deemed to have consented to standardized field sobriety tests (625 ILCS 5/11-501.9(a)).

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504.5 CHEMICAL TESTS

A person implies consent under Illinois law to a chemical test or tests, and to providing the associated sample, under any of the following:

- (a) The arresting officer has probable cause to believe that the person was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, intoxicating compounds or any combination thereof (625 ILCS 5/11-501.1).
- (b) The person is arrested for driving a vehicle involved in a motor vehicle accident resulting in personal injury or death of any person (625 ILCS 5/11-401).
- (c) The person was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle and involved in a personal injury or fatality accident (625 ILCS 5/11-501.6).
- (d) The person is under the age of 21, was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle and the officer has probable cause to believe that the person has consumed any amount of an alcoholic beverage (625 ILCS 5/11-501.8).

Chemical tests shall be taken pursuant to the standards promulgated by the Department of State Police (625 ILCS 5/11-501.2(a)).

If a person withdraws this implied consent, or is unable to withdraw consent (e.g., the person is unconscious), the officer should consider implied consent revoked and proceed as though the person has refused to provide a chemical sample.

504.5.1 STATUTORY NOTIFICATIONS

An officer requesting that a person submit to a chemical test, or to a field sobriety test during an investigation of a medical marijuana cardholder driving while impaired by the use of cannabis, shall provide the person with the mandatory statutory warning.

If the person refuses to acknowledge in writing receipt of the warning regarding failure to submit to a chemical test, the officer shall document on the warning that the person refused to sign (See generally, 625 ILCS 5/11-501.1; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.6; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.8; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.9).

504.5.2 BREATH SAMPLES

The Watch Commander should ensure that all devices used for the collection and analysis of breath samples are properly serviced and tested, and that a record of such service and testing is properly maintained.

Officers obtaining a breath sample should monitor the device for any sign of malfunction. Any anomalies or equipment failures should be noted in the appropriate report and promptly reported to the Watch Commander.

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504.5.3 BLOOD SAMPLES

Only persons authorized by law to draw blood shall collect blood samples (625 ILCS 5/11-501.2(a) (2)). The blood draw should be witnessed by the assigned officer. No officer, even if properly certified, should perform this task.

Officers should inform an arrestee that if he/she chooses to provide a blood sample, a separate sample can be collected for alternate testing. Unless medical personnel object, two samples should be collected and retained as evidence, so long as only one puncture is required.

The blood sample shall be packaged, marked, handled, stored and transported as required by the testing facility.

If an arrestee cannot submit to a blood test because he/she has a bleeding disorder or has taken medication that inhibits coagulation, he/she shall not be required to take a blood test. Such inability to take a blood test shall not be treated as a refusal. However, that arrestee may be required to complete another available and viable test.

504.5.4 URINE SAMPLES

If a urine test will be performed, the person should be promptly transported to the appropriate testing site. The officer shall follow any directions accompanying the urine evidence collection kit.

Urine samples shall be collected and witnessed by an officer or jail staff member of the same sex as the person giving the sample. The arrestee should be allowed sufficient privacy to maintain his/her dignity, to the extent possible, while still ensuring the accuracy of the sample.

The sample shall be packaged, marked, handled, stored and transported as required by the testing facility.

504.5.5 DESIGNATION OF CHEMICAL TESTS

The Watch Commander shall designate which type of chemical tests may be administered by officers.

Officers may generally administer up to two additional tests of urine or other bodily substance even if a blood or breath test, or both, has been administered (625 ILCS 5/11-501.1(a); 625 ILCS 5/11-501.6(a); 625 ILCS 5/11-501.8(a)).

504.6 REFUSALS

When an arrestee refuses to provide a chemical sample during a DUI investigation, or to submit to field sobriety tests during an investigation of a medical marijuana cardholder driving while impaired by the use of cannabis, officers should:

- (a) Advise the arrestee of the requirement to provide a sample or submit to field sobriety tests (see generally, 625 ILCS 5/11-501.1; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.6; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.8; 625 ILCS 5/11-501.9).
- (b) Audio- and/or video-record the admonishment and the response when it is practicable.
- (c) Document the refusal in the appropriate report.

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504.6.1 STATUTORY NOTIFICATIONS UPON REFUSAL

Upon refusal to submit to a chemical test, or to submit to a field sobriety test during an investigation of a medical marijuana cardholder driving while impaired by the use of cannabis as required by law, officers shall personally serve the notice of statutory summary suspension or revocation upon the person and take possession of any state-issued license to operate a motor vehicle that is held by that person and issue the person a temporary driving permit (625 ILCS 5/11-501.1(f); 625 ILCS 5/11-501.9).

504.6.2 BLOOD SAMPLE WITHOUT CONSENT

A blood sample may be obtained from a person who refuses a chemical test when any of the following conditions exist:

- (a) A search warrant has been obtained.
- (b) The officer can articulate that exigent circumstances exist. Exigency does not exist solely because of the short time period associated with the natural dissipation of alcohol or controlled or prohibited substances in the person's bloodstream. Exigency can be established by the existence of special facts such as a lengthy time delay in obtaining a blood sample due to a crash investigation or medical treatment of the person.
- (c) Exigent circumstances exist and the person was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, drugs, intoxicating compounds or any combination thereof and caused death or personal injury to another person (625 ILCS 5/11-501.2).

504.6.3 FORCED BLOOD SAMPLE

If an arrestee indicates by word or action that he/she will physically resist a blood draw, the officer should request a supervisor to respond.

The responding supervisor should:

- (a) Evaluate whether using force to obtain a blood sample is appropriate under the circumstances.
- (b) Ensure that all attempts to obtain a blood sample through force cease if the person agrees to, and completes a viable form of testing in a timely manner.
- (c) Advise the person of his/her duty to provide a sample (even if this advisement was previously done by another officer) and attempt to persuade the individual to submit to such a sample without physical resistance.
 - 1. This dialogue should be recorded on audio and/or video when practicable.
- (d) Ensure that the blood sample is taken in a medically approved manner.
- (e) Ensure the forced blood draw is recorded on audio and/or video when practicable.

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- (f) Monitor and ensure that the type and level of force applied appears reasonable under the circumstances.
 - 1. Unless otherwise provided in a warrant, force should generally be limited to handcuffing or similar restraint methods.
 - 2. In misdemeanor cases, if the arrestee becomes violent or more resistant, no additional force will be used and a refusal should be noted in the report.
 - 3. In felony cases, force which reasonably appears necessary to overcome the resistance to the blood draw may be permitted.
- (g) Ensure the use of force and methods used to accomplish the collection of the blood sample are documented in the related report.

If a supervisor is unavailable, officers are expected to use sound judgment and perform as a responding supervisor, as set forth above.

504.7 ARREST AND INVESTIGATION

504.7.1 PRELIMINARY BREATH SCREENING TEST

An officer having reasonable suspicion to believe that a person is DUI may, prior to arrest, request that the person provide a sample of his/her breath for a preliminary breath screening (PBS) test using a portable device approved by the Department of State Police. The person may refuse the test, however, if a test is administered, the results may be used by the officer for the purpose of determining whether probable cause exists to require a chemical test as authorized by 625 ILCS 5/11-501.1 and 625 ILCS 5/11-501.2 (625 ILCS 5/11-501.5).

504.7.2 ADDITIONAL TESTING

A person submitting to a chemical test may have qualified medical personnel of his/her own choosing administer an additional chemical test (625 ILCS 5/11-501.2).

504.7.3 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

If a person refuses to submit to a chemical test or submits to a test that discloses a prohibited alcohol or drug concentration, the officer shall immediately submit a sworn statement of such fact to the circuit court of venue and the Secretary of State (SOS) (625 ILCS 5/11-501.1(d)).

If a medical marijuana card holder refuses to submit to field sobriety tests or submits to a test that discloses impairment by the use of cannabis, the officer shall immediately submit a sworn statement of such fact to the circuit court of venue and the SOS (625 ILCS 5/11-501.9(e)).

504.7.4 COLLISIONS

An officer having probable cause to believe that a motor vehicle driven by or in actual physical control of a person under the influence of alcohol, other drugs, or intoxicating compounds or any combination thereof has caused the death or personal injury of another person, shall request that the person submit to a chemical test (625 ILCS 5/11-501.2(c)(2)).

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504.7.5 REPORTING

The Watch Commander shall ensure that the Department complies with all state reporting requirements pursuant to 20 ILCS 2630/5.

504.7.6 IMPOUNDMENT

An officer making an arrest for DUI should impound the vehicle driven by the arrestee when no other person is available to take lawful control of the vehicle and the arrestee may be released and have access to the vehicle within 12 hours (625 ILCS 5/4-203).

504.8 RECORDS SECTION RESPONSIBILITIES

The Records Supervisor will ensure that all case-related records are transmitted according to current records procedures and as required by the prosecuting attorney's office.

504.8.1 WARNING NOTIFICATION

The Records Supervisor shall forward the warning notification and sworn report in accordance with 625 ILCS 5/11-501.1, 625 ILCS 5/11-501.6, 625 ILCS 5/11-501.8, and 625 ILCS 5/11-501.9.

504.9 ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

The Records Supervisor will ensure that all appropriate reports and documents related to administrative license suspensions are reviewed and forwarded to the SOS.

Any officer who receives notice of required attendance at an administrative license suspension hearing should promptly notify the prosecuting attorney.

An officer called to testify at an administrative hearing should document the hearing date and the SOS file number in a supplemental report. Specific details of the hearing generally should not be included in the report unless errors, additional evidence or witnesses are identified. The Records Section should forward this to the prosecuting attorney as part of the case file.

504.10 TRAINING

The Training Sergeant should ensure that officers participating in the enforcement of DUI laws receive regular training. Training should include, at minimum, current laws on impaired driving, investigative techniques and rules of evidence pertaining to DUI investigations. The Training Sergeant should confer with the prosecuting attorney's office and update training topics as needed.

Notice of Parking Violation Appeal Procedure

505.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy outlines the procedure for the preliminary review (appeals) of parking, compliance, and red-light violations. Dispositions of notice of parking, compliance, and red-light violation appeals are conducted pursuant to Illinois state law.

505.2 RESPONSIBILITIES

The Administrative Sergeant shall be responsible for all parking, compliance, and red-light violation reviews.

Upon receiving notification of completion of a parking or compliance violation review (appeal), the Records Division will annotate the review/appeal in the record. Records of red-light violation reviews resulting in a violation dismissal will be kept by the Administrative Sergeant after being filed with the vendor managing the red-light camera system.

505.3 APPEAL STAGES

Reviews/Appeals may be pursued sequentially at three different levels/stages:

- (a) Preliminary reviews are conducted by the Administrative Sergeant, who will review written/documentary data. Individuals coming into the police department questioning parking or compliance violations will be referred to the Administrative Sergeant during regular duty hours. During after hours, the department representative working in the Records Division will make a copy of the violation and mark a method of contact on the copy, which will subsequently be forwarded to and reviewed by the Administrative Sergeant. Upon completion of the preliminary review, the disposition will be annotated in the appropriate records keeping system.
- (b) Red-light violation reviews will be conducted as part of a review of the formal hearing docket. Records of the preliminary review will be kept on any violation dismissals by the Administrative Sergeant.
- (c) Any violation that is not resolved with a final disposition during the preliminary review will be forwarded to the formal administrative hearing process, which will be conducted by an independent reviewer pursuant to state statute.
- (d) Any appellant wishing to pursue a matter beyond the formal administrative hearing process will be offered, upon completion of the administrative hearing, the guidelines for filing a court appeal with the Circuit Court of Cook County.

505.4 TIME REQUIREMENTS

Administrative review or appearance before a hearing examiner will not be provided if the mandated time limits are not adhered to by the violator.

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- (a) Requests for an administrative review must be postmarked within 10 days of issuance of the notice of parking violation, or within ten days of the mailing of the Notice of Delinquent Parking Violation.
- (b) Requests for administrative hearings must be postmarked within 10 days of the notification mailing of the results of the administrative review.
- (c) Requests for appeal to the Superior Court must be made within 10 days of the mailing of the administrative hearing results.
- (d) Registered owners of leased or rented vehicles may transfer responsibility for the violation to the lessee or renter of the vehicle at the time of the violation if the name, address, and driver's license number of the lessee/renter is provided to the processing agency within 10 days of the mail date of the delinquent notice.

505.5 COSTS

- (a) There is no cost for an administrative review.
- (b) A request for a court date requires prior payment of filing costs including applicable court charges and fees. These costs will be reimbursed to the appellant in addition to any previously paid fines if appellant's liability is overruled by the Court.

Disabled Vehicles

506.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

All law enforcement agencies having responsibility for traffic enforcement should develop and adopt a written policy to provide assistance to motorists in disabled vehicles within their primary jurisdiction.

506.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Matteson Police Department to assist motorists with disabled vehicles until those vehicles are safely removed from the roadway. Members should take appropriate action to mitigate potential problems when a vehicle constitutes a traffic hazard or the safety of the motorist is a concern.

506.3 OFFICER RESPONSIBILITY

When an on-duty officer observes a disabled vehicle on the roadway, the officer should make a reasonable effort to provide assistance. If that officer is assigned to a call of higher priority, the telecommunicator should be advised of the location of the disabled vehicle and the need for assistance. The telecommunicator should then assign another available officer to respond for assistance as soon as practical.

506.4 EXTENT OF ASSISTANCE

In most cases, a disabled motorist will require assistance. After arrangements for assistance are made, continued involvement by department personnel will be contingent on the time of day, the location, the availability of departmental resources, and the vulnerability of the disabled motorist.

506.4.1 MECHANICAL REPAIRS

Department personnel shall not make mechanical repairs to a disabled vehicle. The use of push bumpers to relocate vehicles to a position of safety is not considered a mechanical repair.

506.4.2 RELOCATION OF DISABLED VEHICLES

The relocation of disabled vehicles by members of this department by pushing or pulling a vehicle should only occur when the conditions reasonably indicate that immediate movement is necessary to reduce a hazard presented by the disabled vehicle. The relocation of a disabled vehicle by using a patrol vehicle to push or pull the disabled vehicle shall only be conducted after the motorist has signed the department's Push Bumper/Lock-out Liability Release Form. The form will be completed properly with the following information:

- Case Report Number
- Vehicle make, model, color, and year
- Registration number, state, and year
- Location

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- Printed name of the driver and driver's address and driver's license number
- Signature of driver
- Date
- Officer's name and star number

Any damage to a squad car as a result of using it to move a disabled vehicle shall immediately be brought to the attention of the member's immediate supervisor.

506.4.3 RELOCATION OF DISABLED MOTORIST

The relocation of a disabled motorist should only occur with the person's consent and should be suggested when conditions reasonably indicate that immediate movement is necessary to mitigate a potential hazard. The department member may stay with the disabled motorist or transport him/her to a safe area to await pickup.

Abandoned or Derelict Vehicle Violations

507.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy provides procedures for the marking, recording, and storage of vehicles parked in violation of the Matteson Village Ordinance or state laws regulating abandoned or derelict vehicles.

507.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

Abandoned vehicle - Means any vehicle in a state of disrepair rendering the vehicle incapable of being driven in its condition or any vehicle that has been left unattended for any amount of time and is creating a traffic hazard because of its position in relation to the highway or its physical appearance is causing the impeding of traffic; or for 2 hours or more on a toll highway, interstate highway, or expressway; or on a highway in an urban district 24 hours or more; or outside of an urban district for 24 hours or more; or on private property for 7 consecutive days or more (625 ILCS 5/4-201; 625 ILCS 5/4-203).

Derelict vehicle - Means any inoperable, unregistered, discarded motor vehicle, regardless of title, that constitutes a danger, hazard, or blight (625 ILCS 5/4-301).

507.2 CITING AND REMOVING

Vehicles suspected of being in violation of the Village of Matteson abandoned or derelict vehicle ordinance shall be noted on the Records Management System disposition.

Officers should make every effort to notify the owner of the vehicle to first offer the opportunity to mitigate the problem. Then, a certified notice should be sent to the vehicle's owner. Upon receipt of the delivered or undelivered status of the certified notice, the abandoned vehicle shall be cited accordingly and towed.

Parking citations for the ordinance violation shall be issued when the vehicle is towed and stored for the violation.

507.2.1 ABANDONED VEHICLE FILE

The Administrative Sergeant shall be responsible for maintaining a file for all towed abandoned or derelict vehicles.

Unless an officer is directed to do so, Community Service Officers shall be responsible for the follow up investigation of all abandoned or derelict vehicle violations.

507.2.2 VEHICLE STORAGE

Any vehicle in violation shall be towed and stored by the authorized towing service and a vehicle storage report shall be completed by the officer authorizing the storage of the vehicle.

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The storage report form shall be submitted to the Records Section immediately following the storage of the vehicle. It shall be the responsibility of the Records Section to immediately notify LEADS.

Within 48 hours of the storage of any such vehicle, excluding weekends and holidays, it shall be the responsibility of the Records Section to determine the names and addresses of any individuals having an interest in the vehicle. Notice to all such individuals shall be sent first-class or certified mail.

507.2.3 PROCESSING DERELICT OR ABANDONED VEHICLES AS JUNK

If this department elects or is otherwise required to process a derelict or abandoned vehicle as a junk vehicle the department shall, within 15 days complete the following (625 ILCS 5/3-117.1):

- (a) Surrender the junk vehicle's certificate of title, salvage certificate, certificate of purchase, or a similarly acceptable out of state document of ownership to the Secretary of State along with an application for a junking certificate.
- (b) Dispose of the vehicle as junk upon receipt of the junking certificate.

Vehicles or vehicle parts that have had the manufacturer's identification number removed, altered, defaced or destroyed shall be identified in compliance with 625 ILCS 5/4-107(i) before processing as junk.