

Rules and Procedures

Rule 103-B

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Rule 103-B - POLICE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO TRAFFIC DUTY

This rule is issued to establish the responsibilities and duties of Police Officers assigned to traffic posts. It is effective immediately; superseding all previously issued oral or written directives.

Sec. 1 GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS: An officer assigned to a traffic post or traffic control duty shall adhere to the rules prescribed for such type of service and shall be subject to all other rules and procedures prescribed for police officers insofar as they are not in conflict with the specific rules applying to traffic duty.

Sec. 2 An officer assigned to a traffic post, street intersection, or construction site for the purpose of regulating traffic shall be at such post promptly at the designated time. He/she is charged especially with effecting the orderly movement of all vehicles at his/her post with due regard for the safety of pedestrians and in exacting compliance with the laws and regulations pertaining to traffic.

Sec. 3 An officer assigned to a traffic post will give his/her entire attention at all times to his/her duties. He/she shall not engage in conversation with civilians or police officers, except when necessary in the line of police duty, and then such conversation shall be as brief as is consistent with courteous and efficient conduct of police business.

Sec. 4 An officer assigned to a traffic or crowd control post on a street, at an intersection, or at a construction site, for the purpose of regulating vehicular or pedestrian traffic, shall wear a Department issued or authorized reflectorized traffic belt.

NOTE: Rule 103C amended by Special Order 96-4, January 9, 1996, POLICE OFFICER AS A RANK: References in Rule 103C to the rank of Patrol Officer amended to read as Police Officer.

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