



SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT

CRITICAL INCIDENT AND MOBILE FIELD FORCE GUIDE

The San Diego Police Department supports the fundamental right of all people to peaceably assemble and their right of free speech. At no time should a group or individual interpret this support of a constitutional right as permission to threaten violence, commit assaults or engage in criminal acts. In those cases, this Department will act swiftly and with resolve to protect human life, property and maintain peace.

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This Critical Incident / Mobile Field Force Guide is intended to provide all personnel of the San Diego Police Department with information that is easy to retrieve and would be valuable in any emergency. This guide is not a complete listing of all information or sources. Refer to Department Procedures for a complete listing of information.

Mobile Field Force deployments are utilized, at the discretion of the Incident Commander, to assemble a set number of officers in an expedited, organized manner. Examples are:

- Fire / Flood related evacuations and repopulation
- Mass casualty Incidents
- Protests and demonstrations / Civil Unrest
- Presidential visits

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1st Amendment of the United States Constitution

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press, or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.

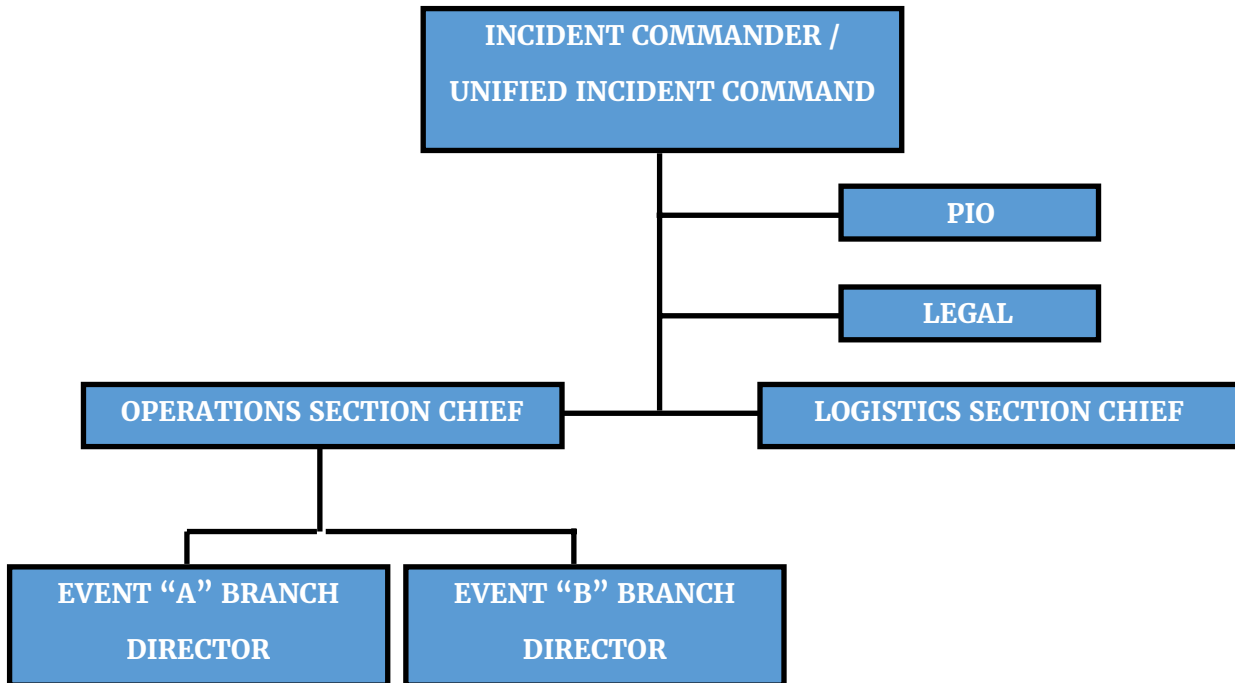
UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY ANNOUNCEMENT

I am (your name & rank), a Police Officer of the City of San Diego. I hereby declare this to be an unlawful assembly and in the name of the People of the State of California, I command all those assembled at (give specific location) to immediately disperse. You may move to (give suitable location for crowd destination). If you do not do so, you will be arrested. If you refuse to move, chemical agents and other weapons may be used. (Provide the chemical agent / projectile warning only if their use is anticipated)

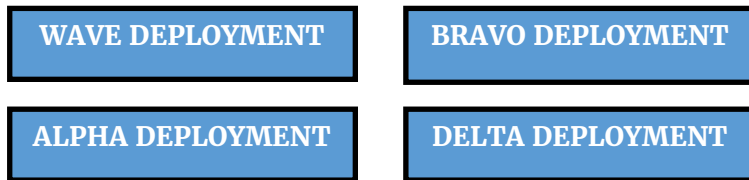
Yo soy (your name & rank) un oficial del departamento de policia de San Diego. Por medio de la presente declare que esta es una asamblea ilegal y en el nombre del gobiemo del estado de California, los ordeno a todos aquellos reunidos (give specific location) que se retiren inmediatamente. Usted puede moverse (give suitable location for crowd destination). Sino hacen eso, ustedes seran arrestados. Si usted rehusa moverse se usara gas lacrimogeno y otras armas.

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SAMPLE MOBILE FIELD FORCE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



*** AVAILABLE RESOURCES TO BE ASSIGNED BY OPERATIONS TO REQUESTING BRANCH**



THIS ORGANIZATIONAL CHART IS AN EXAMPLE ONLY. IT CAN GROW OR SHRINK AS THE INCIDENT DICTATES.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN

Incident Commanders or designated personnel planning for or responding to a Mobile Field Force activation, should create a communications plan.

The communications plan should take into consideration:

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- Requesting an event dispatcher.
- Consider the need for multiple frequencies in case there are multiple events throughout the region.
- Ensure clear dialogue with Communications Division regarding Unit assignments and appropriate Unit Designators. It is very important to evaluate having officers re-log with appropriate unit designators based on event type. Failing to do so creates confusion between command staff, officers and dispatchers. Properly assigned unit designators allows for easier tracking of resources.
- Outside of an officer safety / emergency situation, squad sergeants and platoon commanders should be the only personnel speaking on the radio.
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MOBILE FIELD FORCE UNIT DESIGNATORS

WAVE DEPLOYMENT:

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ALPHA DEPLOYMENT:

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MOBILE FIELD FORCE COMPOSITIONS

WAVE DEPLOYMENT

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ALPHA PLATOON

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BRAVO PLATOON

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DELTA PLATOON

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SERGEANT'S ACTIVATION CHECKLIST

1. Upon a Mobile Field Force WAVE Activation, respond to the designated staging location (unless otherwise directed). All predesignated MFF personnel shall advise Communications Division when they are enroute to the staging location.
2. DO NOT respond Code 3 unless specifically directed to do so by the MFF Lieutenant / Field Lt. / Incident Commander.
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9. **(Deleted – records of security).**
10. Meet with MFF Lt. / Field Lt. / Incident Commander to get mission information.
11. Give a loud, clear voice to issue commands to your squad.
12. Know and support the constitutional right to peaceably assemble and demonstrate.
13. Know that media has a right to enter disaster / riot scenes per 409.5(d) PC.
14. If you have any questions or are unclear about your mission, ASK!

SQUAD ROSTER

SECURING PROCEDURES

1. Account for all personnel and equipment.
2. Turn in all reports to command post or prisoner processing.
3. Submit yellow copies of OT slips to command post, if necessary.
4. Have units log off of their MFF unit designator and re-log as their previously assigned unit designator.

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OFFICER AND DETECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Advise Communications Division that you are en-route to the MFF staging location.
2. **(Deleted – records of security).**
3. **(Deleted – records of security).**
4. **(Deleted – records of security).**
5. Remain disciplined at all times.
6. **(Deleted – records of security).**
7. Know and support the constitutional right to peaceably assemble and demonstrate.
8. Know that media has a right to enter disaster / riot scenes per 409.5(d) PC.

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FIELD COMMANDER MFF ACTIVATION CHECKLIST

1. Establish a staging location or command post.
2. Confirm squad officers and sergeants are en-route to the staging area via radio.
3. **(Deleted – records of security).**
4. **(Deleted – records of security).**
5. Ensure sufficient personnel are requested to the staging location / command post.
6. Make contact with protest / demonstration leader(s) if possible.
7. Identify your mission.
8. Brief MFF officers and sergeants on the mission and keep them updated.
9. Plan for shift change or to hold over personnel if necessary.
10. Plan for food / water for personnel.
11. Plan for rest / relief of line personnel.

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