



DEPARTMENT NOTICE

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Benchmark Stop Data System Change

The “Stop Made in Response To” field has a term that has potential to cause confusion for our members. The term “On-View” is being changed to “**Required Action**”.

Required Action should be selected when a stop is made by a member for a felony crime in progress, misdemeanor crime of violence, misdemeanor property crime, or misdemeanor where a member can articulate a threat to public safety (reckless driving, driving under the influence), member of the public alerting them to an incident, or a person is in medical distress (physical or psychological).

If a member would be considered derelict if they did not make the stop, Required Action is the appropriate selection.

The other terms and their associated definitions in this data field remained unchanged and are as follows:

Call For Service: When a stop is made by a member in response to a call for service.

Self-Initiated Activity (SIA): When a stop is made by a member for conduct that they believe there is reasonable suspicion or probable cause that a violation is, was, or about to be committed that does not fall within the guidelines of a Required Action. This would include a consensual encounter that becomes a detention.

Command Directed: When a stop is made by a member when they are instructed, deployed, or detailed to specific locations or districts by a supervisory member. These directives can be communicated to individual members, entire watches, stations, units, divisions, bureaus, or Department wide. They include operations orders which contain an enforcement plan. This category also applies when a supervisory member directs personnel to focus on a specific type of enforcement including but not limited to, auto burglary, narcotics, illegal vending.

This does not apply solely to being assigned as a sector car in a district.

Investigative Intelligence, Bulletin, or Broadcast (IIBB): When a stop is made by a member using specific information developed in a follow-up investigation, disseminated in a crime bulletin, or radio broadcast. A crime bulletin can request an arrest, stop and identify only, or develop independent reasonable suspicion to detain.

10B-Police Law Enforcement Services: When a stop is made by a member related to their 10B assignment.

To view the definitions when entering stop data just click on the icon with the “i” next to the Stop Made in Response To data field.

References:

23-159 Benchmark Stop Data System

23-109 Benchmark Command Directive System

23-108 Transition to Benchmark Stop Data System


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Chief of Police

Per DN 23-152, all sworn & non-sworn members shall electronically acknowledge this Department document in PowerDMS within (30) thirty calendar days of issuance. Members whose duties are relevant to this document shall be held responsible for compliance. Any questions regarding this policy should be sent to sfpd.writtendirectives@sfgov.org who will provide additional information.