

Directed Patrol Strategies and Self-Initiated Field Activity Standard

This standard evaluates an officer's competence to utilize multiple sources of information to initiate proactive patrol activity in accordance with department expectations. It also evaluates officer's ability to stay productively active when not busy with calls for service.

Meets Standards: Yes

The officer recalls information from shift change, duty logs, ATLS or warrants and other forms of department communication and uses this information to provide effective patrol activities. Officer anticipates trends and patterns of recurring incidents and potential problems areas and attempts to alleviate these complaints with self-directed patrol activities. Officer demonstrates ability to spot suspicious persons, vehicles or circumstances and does not hesitate to take action by making contact. Officer engages in criminal interdiction or other preventative patrol activity. Officer is able to develop citizen and business contacts in the community. Officer conducts building checks, foot patrol and other "out of the car" patrol activities. Officer is able to remain self-motivated and stay productively occupied when not required on calls.

Meets Standards: No

The officer fails to recall information from shift change, duty logs, ATLS, or warrants and other forms of department communication or fails to utilize the information to generate self-initiated field activity during non-committed patrol time to target problem areas. Officer fails to observe and detect out of the ordinary events, suspicious behavior or hesitates to take action on his/her observations. Officer is unable to anticipate trends or other potential problems or makes little attempt to alleviate these problems. Officer fails to produce criminal interdiction or other preventative patrol activities. Officer fails to spot suspicious persons, vehicles or circumstances or fails to take action by making contact. Officer is unable to develop citizen or business contacts in the community. Officer fails to engage in foot patrol, door checks or other "out of the car" patrol activities. Officer is not self-motivated and unable to stay productively occupied when not required on calls.