4-08/030.00 - Explosives/Booby Traps

CLASSIFICATION Crime or Incident	FORM NUMBER FILE NUMBER PRIORITY	ASSIGNMENT AND ACTION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND STATISTICAL CODES
4-08/030.00 EXPLOSIVE/BOOBY TRAPS		Arson/Explosives Detail A	Also see "Fires" and volume 5, vhapter 6. Explosives other than fixed ammunition are not to be stored at the station/unit except in emergency under advice of Arson/Explosives Detail. The following safety measures shall be taken when explosives/booby traps are found and must be disposed of: • areas containing explosives/booby traps shall be roped off, posted, and guarded; • unnecessary handling shall be avoided; • advice from Arson/Explosives Detail shall be obtained prior to moving or transporting any explosives; • a radio transmitter shall never be operated within 300 feet of an electric blasting cap; • all radio transmitters shall be turned off within 800 feet of any known electric blasting operations; and • when electric blasting caps are transported in a radio transmitter equipped vehicle, the radio transmitter shall be turned off prior to the transportation. If compelling circumstances indicate the need for confidentiality, make reports confidential.
Bomb, booby trap found/ reported:			

- County building in civic center			Immediately notify the Los Angeles Police Department and Fire Department for handling. Also, immediately notify Arson/Explosives Detail, and the Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau (operational log). A copy of all "explosives" reports shall be forwarded to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code 151 - Booby trap Code 339 - Bomb, found or reported. Code 328 - False report of a bomb.
- In unincorporated or contract cities	SH-R-49 URN 33	Arson/Explosives Detail A	Immediate notification by telephone to Arson/Explosives Detail, Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau for an operational log entry, and the fire department. A copy of all "explosives" reports shall be forwarded to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code as above.
Bomb threat:			
- County building in civic center	SH-R-49 URN 33	Arson/Explosives Detail A	Immediately notify the Los Angeles Police Department and Fire Department for handling. Also, immediately notify Arson/Explosives Detail and the Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau for a Sheriff's operational log entry. SRD all "explosives" reports to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code 339 - Bomb, found or reported. Code 328 - False report of a bomb.
- In unincorporated or contract cities	SH-R-49 URN 33	Station/unit detective A	SRD all "explosives" reports to Arson/Explosives and Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code as above.

Found or recovered, military or commercial	SH-R-49 URN 44	Arson/Explosives Detail A	Notify Arson/Explosives Detail immediately by telephone or radio. A copy of all "explosives" reports shall be forwarded to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code 442 - Property Found or Recovered.
Illegal manufacturing, sale, or possession of bombs or explosives	SH-R-49 URN 33	Arson/Explosives Detail A	Notify Arson/Explosives Detail immediately by telephone. A copy of all "explosives" reports shall be forwarded to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code as above.

- Nuclear bomb or device	SH-R-49 URN 32 or 33	Arson/Explosives Detail A	EOP 4-3 shall apply to all such incidents. The Department employee, sworn or civilian, who receives notification of the threat shall immediately inform his unit or station commander or the watch commander in the absence of the unit or station commander. No other person shall be informed as to the information received, except in strict accordance with EOP 4-3. The unit commander or watch commander shall make immediate notification to the Emergency Operations Bureau Commander or his designee and the Arson/Explosives Detail. The EOB Commander may be reached during normal business hours by calling (323) 980-2200. After normal duty hours, request that the Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau contact the EOB Commander or his designee by phone or pager, advising him to call back to a specific informant. The purpose of the contact is not to be revealed to Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau personnel. If a bomb or device is found and suspected of being nuclear, the deputy making the discovery shall treat it as if there is radiation leakage. He shall then follow the procedures outlined in volume 5, chapter 5 and the EOP Manual. A copy of all reports involving reported, threatened, or actual nuclear bombs shall be sealed, confidentially addressed and hand-carried to the EOB Commander and the Major Crimes Bureau.

Suspicious package possible bomb, found hoax (facsimile) bomb, booby trap	SH-R-49 URN 33	Arson/Explosives Detail I	DO NOT HANDLE PACKAGE! Notify Arson/Explosives Detail immediately by phone and follow their instructions. Facsimile (hoax) bombs are devices manufactured to look and function like bombs, but don't possess all the qualities of an actual bomb. The case shall be assigned to the Arson/Explosives Detail for investigation. A copy of all "explosives" reports shall be forwarded to Major Crimes Bureau in addition to other distribution. Code as applicable.