

5-09/220.15 - Sheriff's Communications Center (SCC) - Notifications/Responsibilities

Code 3 Assistance

Upon receipt of any request for code 3 assistance from a field unit, the SCC operator shall immediately acknowledge the request and broadcast it on the necessary frequencies with the following controls:

- Ascertain the identity of the responding field units and their response time to the location; and
- Except in the case of a "999," identify the required number of field units having the shortest response time and advise the other field units to remain in their districts.

Following receipt of a code 3 request, the SCC operator shall notify the SCC watch sergeant as soon as possible of the action in progress.

The SCC watch sergeant shall assume the following responsibilities:

- Coordination of the efforts of the field units responding to determine if adequate assistance will be available in the appropriate time limit;
- Making necessary notifications to the California Highway Patrol (CHP) or the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) as requested or authorized by the station/unit watch commander, acting as liaison with them during the emergency;
- Directing the operation as ordered by the station/unit watch commander; and
- Upon receipt of a code 4, it should be broadcast at least twice for all field units, but not for individual unit acknowledgment.

Pursuits

The SCC watch sergeant will be responsible for communications coordination of all pursuits initiated by deputy personnel of this Department and shall immediately activate the Duplex Patch so as to minimize the unnecessary repeating of information from the field. With the implementation of the Duplex Patch, rebroadcasting of all information may cause unnecessary interference and delay. Consequently, repeating should be kept to an absolute minimum.

In addition, the SCC watch sergeant shall:

- Immediately request Aero Bureau assistance;
- Keep the station/unit watch commander informed and relay all orders to the field with absolute priority; and
- Assist in notifying other law enforcement agencies only as requested or authorized by the station/unit watch commander.