

CHAPTER 9 MISCELLANEOUS

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• 9-2 INDEMNIFICATION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME



HOMICIDE BUREAU DETECTIVE DIVISION BUREAU ORDERS

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Subject: INDEMNIFICATION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME

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Local law enforcement agencies are responsible for informing each person, who may qualify to file a claim, of the existence and address of local victim centers. (Refer to 13968(c) Government Code).

The State compensates victims of violent crimes, in the case of a homicide, the family of the victim. The claim must be filed within one year of the date of the violent crime.

As investigators, we must be sure that the victim's family has been advised of their right to compensate from the State. Victim's family will be provided a pamphlet outlining victim rights and locations throughout the County where applications and assistance are available, or the contact information for the District Attorney's Office Victim Advocate.

State law and Sheriff's Department policy requires that you document the notification in your supplemental report.

Further details about the Indemnification program are found in the Manual of Policy and Procedures 5-

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- **9-5 NEXT OF KIN TELEPHONE CONTACT (BUSINESS LOCATIONS, ETC.)**



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When it becomes necessary to contact the next of kin at their place of business or at any other location, besides their residence, the Homicide investigator will identify himself/herself and ask to speak to the concerned party regarding a homicide investigation.

Homicide investigators **SHALL NOT** give out any details of the investigation except to the next of kin.

- **9-6 PARTICIPATING WITH OUTSIDE PRODUCTION COMPANIES**



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When we are asked to participate in the filming of any facet of our on-duty work, there are some guidelines that must be followed.

Our primary obligation is to our investigative effort and keeping that in mind we will attempt to facilitate the needs of any private film crew that has been authorized to be present.

1. Film crews can only respond to murder cases in the Sheriff's jurisdiction, no Deputy Involved Shooting (DIS) or outside agency cases.
2. Film crews cannot go onto private property without the owner's permission. (The fact that the occupant is deceased does not mean permission to enter as implied).
3. Interviews may not be recorded on video or audio by film crews.
4. The film crews may film and record the actions of investigators only with their permission and may be asked not to record certain aspects of the investigation.

Should a question arise, contact the on-duty Team Lieutenant or the Operations Lieutenant.

• 9-8 LASD MURDER SOLVE RATES



HOMICIDE BUREAU DETECTIVE DIVISION BUREAU ORDERS

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Subject: LASD MURDER SOLVE RATES

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Purpose of Order

The purpose of this order is to establish guidelines on how LASD establishes murder solve rates.

Scope of Order

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department murder solve rates are based on very strict FBI guidelines.

Cleared by Arrest

In the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, a law enforcement agency reports that an offense is cleared by arrest, or solved for crime reporting purposes, when three specific conditions have been met. The three conditions are that at least one person has been:

- Arrested.
- Charged with the commission of the offense.
- Turned over to the court for prosecution (whether following arrest, court summons or police notice).

In its clearance calculations, the UCR Program counts the number of offenses that are cleared, not the number of persons arrested. The arrest of one person may clear several crimes, and the arrest of many persons may clear only one offense. In addition, some clearances that an agency records in a particular calendar year, such as 2010, may pertain to offenses that occurred in previous years.

Cleared by Exceptional Means

In certain situations, elements beyond law enforcement's control prevent the agency from arresting and formally charging the offender. When this occurs, the agency can clear the offense exceptionally. Law enforcement agencies must meet the following four conditions in order to clear an offense by exceptional means. The agency must have:

- Identified the offender.
- Gathered enough evidence to support an arrest, make a charge and turn over the offender to the court for prosecution.
- Identified the offender's exact location so that the suspect could be taken into custody immediately.
- Encountered a circumstance outside the control of law enforcement that prohibits the agency from arresting, charging, and prosecuting the offender.

Examples include, but are not limited to: death of the offender (e.g., suicide or justifiably killed by police or citizen); the victim's refusal to cooperate with the prosecution after the offender has been identified; or the denial of extradition because the offender committed a crime in another jurisdiction and is being prosecuted for that offense.