

MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING INSTRUCTION

TRAFFIC SAFETY UNIT

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ROLL CALL VERSION

Contains only changes to current policy. For complete version of SOI, see SharePoint.

IV. <u>EQUIPMENT</u> (WILEAG 6.1.2)

- C. The traffic management vehicle shall be equipped with a FotoKite tethered camera. The traffic management vehicle will be used to show high visibility police presence and can also be deployed to stream live traffic video back to the Traffic Management Center. (WILEAG 6.1.2.1)
 - Only members who have been properly trained to operate the FotoKite tethered camera shall operate or utilize the FotoKite tethered camera. Department members authorized to operate or access the FotoKite tethered camera shall receive the appropriate training. (WILEAG 6.1.2.2)
 - The commanding officer of the Specialized Patrol Division shall select a member(s) of the Traffic Safety Unit to be responsible for maintaining the condition and maintenance of the FotoKite tethered camera. This member(s) shall also be responsible for maintaining a list of equipment associated with the FotoKite tethered camera. (WILEAG 6.1.2.3, 6.1.2.4)
 - 3. The FotoKite tethered camera shall be operated in accordance with Wis. Stat. § 175.55(2), which prohibits the camera from being used to gather evidence or other information in a criminal investigation from or at a place or location where an individual has a reasonable expectation of privacy without first obtaining a search warrant. This does not apply if the camera is used:
 - a. In a public place.
 - b. To assist in an active search and rescue operation.
 - c. To locate an escaped prisoner.
 - d. To surveil a place or location for the purpose of executing an arrest warrant.
 - e. When there is reasonable suspicion to believe that the use of the camera is

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necessary to prevent imminent danger to an individual or to prevent the imminent destruction of evidence. (WILEAG 6.1.2.1, 6.1.2.5)

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