

OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number OPA#2015-0600

Issued Date: 10/23/2015

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	Seattle Police Department Manual 16.090 (4) In-Car Video System: Employees Will Record Enforcement Activity (Policy that was issued 11/21/2012)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Training Referral)
Final Discipline	N/A

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The named employee was one of several officers that had been dispatched to a call for service involving a man armed with a knife.

COMPLAINT

The complainant, the Force Review Board, alleged that the named employee did not use his In-Car Video (ICV) during this force related incident.

INVESTIGATION

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

- 1. Review of the complaint memo
- 2. Review of In-Car Video (ICV)
- 3. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence
- 4. Interview of SPD employees

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The evidence showed that the named employee was dispatched to the scene while the arrest was in progress. The named employee believed that his response to this incident was to conduct an "administrative investigation" and that it was not a mandatory recording event.

FINDINGS

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The evidence supports that the named employee did not use his In-Car Video system responding to this incident. Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Training Referral) was issued for *In-Car Video System: Employees Will Record Enforcement Activity*.

Training Referral: The named employee's supervisor should review the current In-Car Video policy with him and remind the named employee that the requirement to record all police activity includes his work as a supervisor in the field.

NOTE: The Seattle Police Department Manual policies cited for the allegation(s) made for this OPA Investigation are policies that were in effect during the time of the incident. The issued date of the policy is listed.