

Department of the Interior Law Enforcement Policy

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Series: Law Enforcement and Security

Chapter 12: Law Enforcement Vehicle Standards

Originating Office: Office of Law Enforcement and Security

12.1 Purpose. This chapter establishes minimum standards for vehicles assigned to law enforcement officers (LEOs), vehicle operations, training requirements, record keeping, and the Department (DOI) Home-to-Work Transportation Program.

12.2 Scope. This policy applies to all DOI bureaus/offices with law enforcement programs.

12.3 Authority. This policy is issued pursuant to 112 DM 17 and 212 DM 17.

12.4 Responsibilities.

A. Director, Office of Law Enforcement and Security (OLES) is responsible for policy development and provides program guidance and oversight of the Department's law enforcement programs.

B. Bureau Directors of Law Enforcement (BDLE) are responsible for promulgating and complying with this policy, and the corresponding *Law Enforcement Handbook*.

12.5 Policy. Bureaus/offices will create bureau/office policy and procedures that apply to all law enforcement vehicles and for all LEOs utilizing those vehicles in the performance of their duties. Bureaus and offices must ensure that:

A. All law enforcement vehicles and vehicle operations meet the minimum established standards.

B. All LEOs operating law enforcement vehicles meet the minimum training standards.

C. Complete and accurate records are maintained for all law enforcement vehicles and their operators.

D. Bureaus/offices that have implemented the Home-to-Work Transportation Program strictly adhere to the program requirements.

12.6 **Standards.** Bureau/office law enforcement programs will establish and implement procedures that comply with this chapter and meet requirements specified in the corresponding *Law Enforcement Handbook*.