

Organizational Structure and Responsibility

200.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The organizational structure of this Department is designed to create an efficient means to accomplish our mission and goals and to provide for the best possible service to the public.

200.2 DIVISIONS

The Chief of Police is responsible for administering and managing the Redding Police Department. There are two divisions in the Police Department as follows:

- Administration Division
- Field Operations Division

200.2.1 ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

The Administration Division is commanded by an Administrative Captain, whose primary responsibility is to provide general management direction and control for the Administration Division. The Administration Division consists of Technical Services, Crime Analysis, Investigations, Property and Evidence, Support Services/Records, and Administrative Services.

200.2.2 FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Field Operations Division is commanded by a Captain, whose primary responsibility is to provide general management direction and control for the Field Operations Division. The Field Operations Division consists of Uniformed Patrol and Special Operations.

200.3 COMMAND PROTOCOL

200.3.1 SUCCESSION OF COMMAND

The Chief of Police exercises command over all personnel in the Department. During planned absences, the Chief of Police will designate a Division Commander to serve as the acting Chief of Police.

Except when designated as above, the order of command authority in the absence or unavailability of the Chief of Police is as follows:

- (a) Field Operations Division Commander
- (b) Administration Division Commander
- (c) Watch Commander

200.3.2 UNITY OF COMMAND

The principles of unity of command ensure efficient supervision and control within the Department. Generally, each employee shall be accountable to one supervisor at any time for a given assignment or responsibility. Except where specifically delegated authority may exist by policy or special assignment (e.g., K-9, SWAT), any supervisor may temporarily direct any subordinate if an operational necessity exists.

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200.3.3 ORDERS

Members shall respond to and make a good faith and reasonable effort to comply with the lawful order of superior officers and other proper authority.