



2-109 CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION (CID) TRACKER PROGRAM

Related SOP(s), Form(s), Other Resource(s), and Rescinded Special Order(s):

A. Related SOP(s)

None

B. Form(s)

PD 1393 Hold Harmless Agreement

C. Other Resource(s)

3SI Security Systems Instructional Guide

D. Rescinded Special Order(s)

None

2-109-1 Purpose

The purpose of the Albuquerque Police Department's (Department) Criminal Investigations Division (CID) Tracker Program is to provide an innovative method of crime fighting that combines technology with voluntary community participation and partnership. In order to more effectively address various types of property and violent crime, the Department will lawfully deploy Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking devices in an attempt to apprehend individuals that commit crimes in the community. The Department's CID Tracker Program is intended for use in businesses, residences, or any other venues where a concern exists for theft of currency or property.

2-109-2 Policy

It is the policy of the Department to maintain, establish, and ensure the professional and legal administration of the CID Tracker Program. Furthermore, it is the policy of the Department to ensure that the CID Tracker Program and its community partnerships are entirely voluntary. Department personnel who deploy the CID Electronic StakeOut (EOS) tracker will ensure that the relationship with the community partner is not detrimental to the goals of the CID Tracker Program. Finally, this policy is intended to address the liability concerns of possible damage caused by the use and deployment of the CID Tracker Program by ensuring community partners sign the Hold Harmless Agreement.

N/A 2-109-3 Definitions

A. Cash Tracking Pack (CTP)



A bundle of currency housing a battery, cellular subscriber identity module (SIM) card, GPS receiver, and a radio frequency (RF) transponder.

B. CID ESO Handheld Beacon

A handheld device which operates on batteries and uses four (4) extendable antennas to identify the precise location of the ESO tracker. The handheld device tracks the RF transponder on the ESO tracker. This device allows sworn personnel to pinpoint the exact residence, apartment, or vehicle in which the ESO tracker is located.

C. Hold Harmless Agreement

An agreement or contract in which the community partner agrees to hold the Department free from responsibility for any liability or damage that might arise out of the use of the ESO tracking devices.

7 2-109-4 Training

A. The CID Commander or their designee shall:

1. Ensure all case agents tasked with deploying the ESO tracker devices are properly trained on the professional and legal use, the reporting requirements, and replacement of the ESO tracker.

B. ESO Tracker Program personnel Shall:

1. Be trained in the use and care of the ESO tracker device; and
2. Refer to the 3SI Security Systems Instructional Guide for additional instructions and information.
 - a. The 3SI Security Systems Instructional Guide and training log shall be forwarded to the CID Lieutenant for inclusion in the officers' training record

7 2-109-5 Procedures

A. ESO Tracker

1. The CID Lieutenant or their designee shall authorize the use of the ESO tracker.
 - a. Only the CID Lieutenant or their designee and an Investigative Services Division (ISD) supervisor shall have Administrator Rights to monitor changes in the 3SI database.
2. ESO trackers are dependent on keeping any given use or deployment completely confidential. The location of the ESO tracker shall only be shared with Department personnel and those community partners that may handle the "bait" property.



- a. However, the CID Tracker Program availability shall be publicized to Department personnel who may need it.
 3. The CID Tracker program Hold Harmless Agreement shall be signed by the community partner prior to any deployment at the business or residence.
 - a. The Chief of Police or their designee has the authority to sign all Hold Harmless Agreements on behalf of the Department;
 - b. All Hold Harmless Agreements shall be filed with the City Clerk's Office.
 4. Where and when the ESO tracker is deployed, the Case Agent shall ensure the ESO Tracker is labeled via the online tracker website.
- B. Activation of the ESO Tracker
1. The ESO tracker will send an audible alert to the Emergency Communications Center (ECC) via the online tracker website when the ESO tracker is activated. The involved ECC dispatcher shall:
 - a. Use a code word to indicate an ESO tracker activation is taking place;
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 - i. Exceptions to this guideline include when the ESO tracker is being used on a criminalized investigation.
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 - d. Be responsible for surveillance and apprehension of identified offenders; and
 - e. Coordinate with the Armed Robbery Sergeant or their designee for additional resources and updates.
- C. Deployment Methods
- Only the businesses, residences, or venues that have signed the Hold Harmless Agreement shall deploy the CID ESO Tracker.

7 2-109-6 **Equipment Maintenance and Inspections**

A. Maintenance



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 - a. If not deployed in the field, the ESO trackers shall be stored with the Armed Robbery Sergeant.
3. The ESO tracker devices shall be inspected prior to deployment and shall be fully charged.
4. The Armed Robbery Sergeant shall monitor all of the active ESO trackers via the online tracker website on a monthly basis to ensure none of the active ESO trackers batteries fall low.

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