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**COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS
LAW ENFORCEMENT POLICY**

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SUBJECT: COMMON CODE SECTIONS	
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1.0 Policy

All statute codes (for example, Penal Codes, Health and Safety Codes, Welfare and Institutions Codes) are acceptable for use on law enforcement radio frequencies. The following list is not inclusive, but provides a basic working vocabulary. Rather than use obscure or uncommon codes, dispatchers will use clear text. Use of obscure or uncommon codes may cause confusion and usually causes additional radio traffic when patrol units request clarification. Dispatchers should not use any code sections, common or uncommon, when conversing with the public as this will likely result in confusion or frustration.

2.0 Procedure

The codes in this list are common and easily recognized by patrol units.

Penal Codes (PC)

- 148 Resists or Obstructs Peace Officer
- 148.9 False Info.to Peace Officer
- 187 Murder
- 207 Kidnapping

Vehicle Codes (CVC)

- 2800.1 Evading
- 4000a Expired Registration
- 10851 Stolen Vehicle
- 10852 Tampering with Vehicle

Penal Codes (PC), cont.

211 Robbery
240 Assault
242 Battery
243 Battery of a Police Officer
245 Assault with a Deadly Weapon
246 Discharge of a Firearm at
an Occupied Building or Dwelling
261 Rape
261.5 Statutory Rape
270 Child Neglect
273a Child Abuse
273.5 Spousal Battery
273.6 Violation of Restraining Order
288 Crimes Against Children
288a Sex Perversion
290 Registration of Sex Offenders
314 Indecent Exposure
374b Unlawful Dumping
415 Disturbing the Peace
417 Brandishing
459 Burglary
470 Forged Checks
476 Bad Checks
484 Theft
487 Grand Theft
488 Petty Theft
496 Possession of Stolen Property
594 Malicious Mischief
602 Trespass
602.5 Unlawful Entry
603 Unlawful Entry with Damage
647b Prostitution
647c Panhandling
647f Drunk in Public - uncooperative
647g Prowler
653m Annoying Phone Calls
664 Attempt
12020 Possession of Prohibited Weapon
12025 Carrying of Concealed Weapon

Vehicle Codes (CVC), cont.

12500 Unlicensed Driver
14601 Suspended or Revoked License
20001 Hit and Run, Injury
20002 Hit and Run, Property Damage
22350 Speeding
23103 Reckless Driving
23152 Driving Under the Influence
40508a Failure to Appear

Welfare and Institutions (W&I)

300 Protective Custody - Minors
601 Juvenile Beyond Parental
Control
602 Juvenile Charged with Crime
5150 72 hour hold, mental evaluation

Health and Safety (H&S)

11350 Narcotics Possession
11351 Narcotics Possession for Sale
11357b Possession of Marijuana \geq 1 oz.
11358 Cultivation of Marijuana
11359 Poss. of Marijuana for Sale
11550 Under Influence of Dangerous
Drug

Business and Professions (B&P)

4149 Possession of Hypodermic Needle
25662 Possession of Alcohol by Minor