

The following WASPC Accreditation standards for law enforcement operations were approved by the WASPC Board at the May 2018 WASPC semi-annual conference in Spokane. Once approved changes are effective 7/1/2018

8.2 (editorial change) - The agency provides personal protective equipment, which ~~should~~ **shall** include latex gloves (or equivalent), eye protection and protective shoe covers to minimize exposure to potentially infectious materials and objects.

15.10 (new) -The agency has a policy that addresses referral of subjects to a mental health agency after receiving a report of threatened or attempted suicide

Purpose: To comply with RCW 71.05.457.

15.11 (new) - The agency has policy(s) covering eyewitness identification including the presentation of photo arrays and physical lineups.

15.12 (new) - Agency has policy and provides training on the service of protection orders, Extreme Risk Protection Orders (ERPOs), and orders to surrender weapons. Policy directs personnel to attempt service within 24 hours of receipt of order whenever practicable but not more than 10 days after the agency has received the order (RCW 7.94.060).

17.22 (new) -The agency has policy complying with RCWs 7.94 and 9.41 regarding the acceptance, storage, and release of firearms surrendered to the Department.

Purpose: Surrendered firearms are only returned if they are not required to be held, are not prohibited from being released, and are only released to persons who are eligible to possess them. If a firearm cannot be released, the agency provides written notice to the requestor specifying the reason(s) the firearm cannot be released within five business days of receiving the request. Surrendered firearms that are unclaimed are disposed of in accordance with agency procedures.

17.23 (new) -The agency has policy complying with RCWs 7.94 and 9.41 for notification of family or household members when firearms held pursuant to a court order are released.

Purpose: All surrendered firearms must be held in police custody at least twenty-four hours before they are released. Family or household members may use an incident or case number to request notification when a firearm is to be returned. The agency provides notice, when requested, within one business day of verifying the firearm(s) and respondent in question have met the requirements for release and then the firearm(s) are held in the agency's custody for at least seventy-two hours after notification has been provided.