

MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
February 2017 Traffic Stop Data Inspection



Audit and Inspections Unit
Inspections Report
Traffic Stop Data
Date: March 23, 2017
Inspection #2017-0031



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Subject: February 2017 Inspection of Traffic Stop Data
#BI2017-0031

Date: March 23, 2017
February 1 through
February 28, 2017

The Audit and Inspections Unit inspects Traffic Stop Data collected in the TraCS system on a monthly basis. The purpose for the inspection is to ensure compliance with office policies, promote proper supervision. A total of 35 traffic stops are selected each month for review. To achieve inspection results the auditor will utilize the TraCS system, JWI, I-Net Viewer, body camera video (www.Evidence.com) and Communication Recordings. These entries will be uniformly inspected utilizing a matrix developed by the Bureau of Internal Oversight. Additionally, a JWI inquiry will be made on all deputies' involved in the traffic stop to determine if a license and/or warrants check was run during the stop. The following procedures and Briefing Boards will be used in the (BIO) Matrix, which include but are not limited to EA-3, EA-11, EB-1, EB-2 EB-11, GJ-3, GJ-4 GJ-35, GF-3, CP-1 CP-2, CP-5 CP-8, CP-8.1.A & .5, Briefing Board Numbers 09-31, 13-31 14-12, 14-28, 14-33 14-66, 14-67, 14-68, 15-01, 15-04

Matrix Procedures:

- Verify all information on traffic stop data forms match , respectively
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- Verify all information on traffic stop data forms match body camera video
- Determine if all license and warrant checks were documented
- Determine if the name of any individuals from a license and/or warrant check (including subject's surname) are documented
- Confirm the name, serial number, and unit of all involved are documented
- Verify the license plate state and number are documented
- Confirm the total number of occupants are documented
- Verify the pre-stop and post-stop subjective perceived race, ethnicity, and gender of the driver and any passengers are documented
- Determine if contact was made with any passengers, the nature of the contact, and the reasons for such contact are documented
- Confirm if the reason for the stop was recorded with a description of the traffic or equipment violation observed, if any, prior to contact with the occupants, and any indicators of criminal activity developed before or during the stop
- Verify the time the stop began, time any citations were issued, time releases were made without citation, time any arrest were made, and time the stops/detentions were concluded and documented
- Confirm whether any inquiry as to immigration status was conducted and whether ICE/CBP was contacted, and if so, the facts supporting the inquiry or contact with ICE/CBP, the time Supervisor approval was sought, the time ICE/CBP was contacted, the time it took to complete the immigration

- status investigation or receive a response from ICE/CBP, and whether ICE/CBP ultimately took custody of the individual and documented
- Determine whether any individual was asked to consent to a search (and the response), whether a probable cause search was performed on any individual, or whether a pat-and-frisk search was performed on any individual and documented
- Verify if any contraband or evidence was seized from any individual, and if the nature of the contraband or evidence seized was documented
- Confirm the final disposition of the stop, including whether a citation was issued or an arrest was made or a cite and release was made
- Confirm the city location of stop was documented on traffic stop data forms
- Verify a receipt contained a signature or acknowledgment that the subject was served and if not there was a documented reason
- Verify video was available
- Determine if video recorded the Traffic Stop in its entirety
- Review incident video footage to ensure deputies adhere to all MCSO Policies

Criteria:

- MCSO Policy
- MCSO Policy EB-1, Traffic Enforcement, Violator Contracts, and Citation Issuance
- MCSO Policy EB-2, Traffic Stop Data Collection
- MCSO Policy GJ-35 Body Worn Cameras

Conditions:

The MCSO reviewed 35 out of 1771 traffic stops made during the month of February 2017. Additionally, 10 of the 35 were selected for body camera review. These traffic stops included 0 DUI's (692's), 1 Reckless Driving (693's), and 0 Aggressive Driving (693R's). The inspector reviewed the traffic stops and determined that 77% or 27 out of the 35 traffic stops had no deficiencies ($27 \div 35 = 0.7714$ or 77%) The overall results stayed the same as the January 2017 inspection. The inspector found the following potential deficiencies during the inspection:

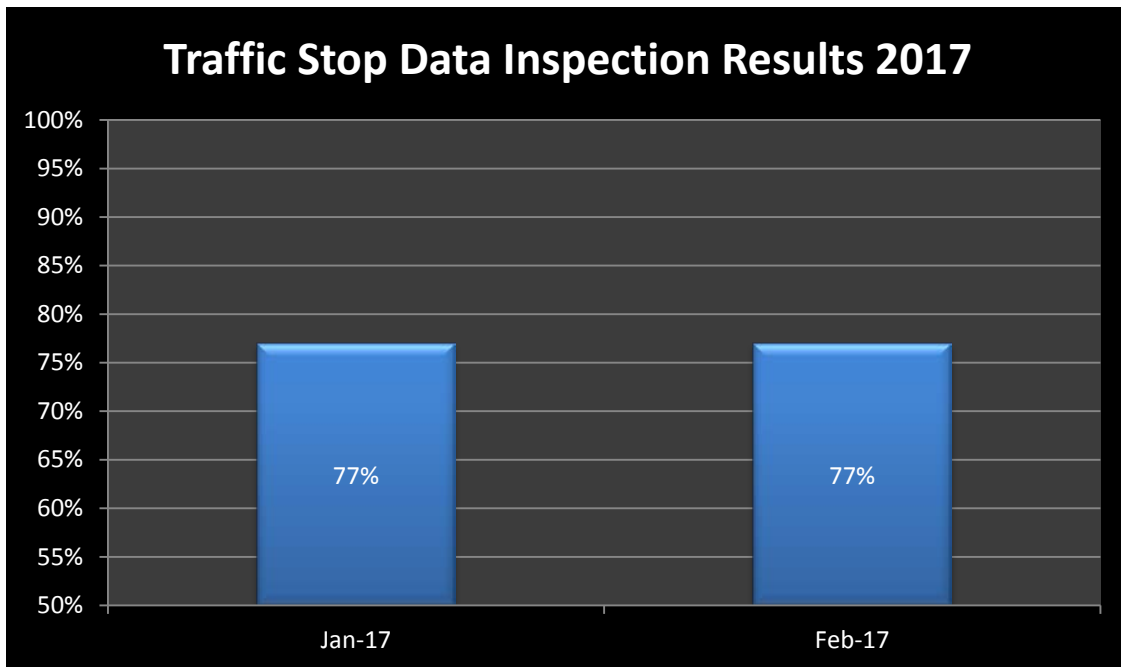
The following potential deficiencies shall require a Bio Action Form. A total of 2 Bio Action Forms (one for each Deputy regardless of number of deficiencies) will be required within 30days.

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
District 1	MC17045568 - Did not complete a 27/29 - Did not list 2 nd Deputy on Contact Form -Did not complete Additional Dep Camera Log

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
District 2	MC17028511 - Did not complete a MCSO Contact Form
District 2	MC17031860 -Did not complete a 27/29
District 2	MC17042415 -Did not complete a 10-29
District 2	MC17044642 - Did not complete a MCSO Contact Form

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
District 7	MC17031435 -Wrong license plate listed on MCSO Contact form and citation.

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
Lakes	MC17049800 -Wrong license plate listed on MCSO Contact Form and Citation
Lakes	MC17051585 -Did not complete a 27/29



As of March 23, 2017 at 0900 hours, a review of TraCS showed 6 open forms (deficiencies) from the month of February 2017. Each open TraCS form needs to be addressed by the employee and a BIO Action Form submitted per employee.

A total of 3 Bio Action forms are required related to open TraCS forms (1 per employee)

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
District 1	-3 Open MCSO Incident Reports

District/ Division	Potential Deficiency
District 6	-2 Open MCSO Incident Reports
District 6	-Open Tow Sheet

Recommendations:

Post stop perceived race – As stated in the Melendres Order, post stop perceived race/ethnicity is based on the deputy’s best perceptions. Bio recommends deputies consider a reasonable person standard when using their best perception to decide on the persons’ race/ethnicity. If the Deputy has any question about making a choice that reflects the best reasonable person standard, he/she should consult his/her supervisor for assistance.

A total of 12 BIO Action Forms are due from the potential deficiencies detailed above. One BIO form per Deputy is requested (not per deficiency). 9 BIO forms from Traffic stop data and 3 from Open TraCS forms

Inspection focus: February 2017 Traffic Stop Data Inspection

Date Inspection Started: March 20, 2017

Date Completed: March 23, 2017

Timeframe Inspected: February 1st through 28th, 2017

Assigned Inspectors: Sergeant T. Brice S1767

I have reviewed this inspection report.



Lieutenant R. Morris S1014
Division Commander
Audits and Inspections

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Bureau Commander
Bureau of Internal Oversight

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