



GENERAL POLICE ORDER CLEVELAND DIVISION OF POLICE



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SUBJECT: REMOVING BADGES FROM CIRCULATION			
ASSOCIATED MANUAL:		RELATED ORDERS:	
CHIEF OF POLICE: <i>Michael McGrath, Chief</i>			

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PURPOSE: *To remove badges from circulation of officers who have been killed in the line of duty.*

To remove badges from circulation of officers who have brought discredit to the Cleveland Division of Police.

POLICY: *The Division shall honor officers who have lost their lives in the performance of their duty by forever removing their badge number from circulation.*

The Division shall preserve the esteem of the Cleveland Division of Police by removing from circulation and destroying the badges of officers who have been convicted of a felony or who have otherwise brought discredit to the Cleveland Division of Police, as determined by the Chief of Police.

PROCEDURES:

- I.** The Personnel Section shall ensure that badge numbers *that meet the criteria as stated in the above policy* be withdrawn from circulation and the badges destroyed *when required*.
 - A.** *Badge numbers assigned to officers killed in the line of duty shall be forever removed from circulation and any remaining badges of that number be maintained as necessary for historic and/or memorial purposes.*
 - B.** *Badge numbers assigned to officers who have been convicted of a felony or who have otherwise been determined to discredit the Division shall be forever removed from circulation and any remaining badges of that number be destroyed.*

- II.** The Chief of Police shall have sole discretion in making exceptions to this order.

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