

WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		POLICY AND PROCEDURES	
SUBJECT: Decoy Operations		CHAPTER/SECTION NO.: 30.11	
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30.11 Policy

- 30.11.1 The decision to initiate a decoy operation will be based on an analysis of crimes, victims, locations, frequency of activity, probable offenders, methods of operation, and any other pertinent information. Examples of decoy operations include, but are not limited to: prostitution decoys, anti-crime decoys, and any other similar pro-active street crime investigations.
- 30.11.2 All decoy operations will be directed and closely monitored by a supervisor. It shall be that supervisor's responsibility to ensure that:
- A. Decoy officers are selected and equipped with the intent that they resemble the victims as much as possible.
 - B. No decoy officer shall be placed without an adequate number of backup officers nearby in visual and/or verbal contact.
 - C. Action or "bust" signals and emergency signals will be made known to, and acknowledged by, all personnel prior to the beginning of the operation.
 - D. All decoy operation plans are reviewed with the Weber County Attorney's Office, prior to beginning operation.
 - E. All personnel involved in the operation are thoroughly briefed and are aware of their

assigned specific duties and responsibilities and identity and description of undercover officers.

- F. Any special equipment needed is available and in good working order and is operated by qualified personnel.
- G. The appropriate agency supervisor (if not WCSO) in charge of the on-duty patrol shift and the dispatch supervisor on duty are notified in advance of the start of any decoy operation and their assistance obtained for any participation required from their personnel. Supervisors and dispatchers of any other affected jurisdiction shall also be notified.