



WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Methods of Investigation

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38.7.1 Purpose

To establish acceptable methods to be used during the course of an internal investigation.

38.7.2 Rationale

Internal Affairs investigations may require interviews, the collection of evidence, the gathering of witness statements and any other technique or method appropriately used to thoroughly investigate allegations made against a member. The purpose of an internal investigation is the discovery of facts and information that will lead the investigator(s) to the truth.

38.7.3 Policy

- A. An internal investigation shall be conducted using any or all standard procedures.
- B. An investigator may seek the advice from legal staff retained by the County or by members of the Weber County Sheriff's Office.
- C. Such actions as stated above, and other methods and actions appropriate to the investigation may be required if material to the internal investigation.

38.7.4 Procedure

- A. Standard investigation procedures and methods include, but are not limited to, the use of:
 - 1. a polygraph/voice stress analysis,
 - 2. breathalyzer,
 - 3. blood tests,
 - 4. photographs,

5. line-ups,
 6. tape and video recordings (both digital and analog),
 7. hypnosis,
 8. medical testing and evaluation,
 9. laboratory testing,
 10. financial disclosures,
 11. other investigative methods, devices and tests unless prohibited by law.
- B. Criminal complaints – The Chief Deputy or his designee will maintain a liaison with the County Attorney's Office or designated prosecutor when there is an investigation of criminal conduct on the part of a member.