

WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE		POLICY AND PROCEDURES	
SUBJECT: Availability of Crime Scene Technician or Accident Scene Processing		CHAPTER/SECTION NO.: 55.1	
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## 55.1 Policy

### 55.1.1 Crime Scene Technician

- A. Crime scene technicians are Weber County Employees specifically selected for assignment to the Weber Metro Crime Scene Investigations Unit.
- B. The CSI Unit is commanded by a civilian supervisor or a sworn law enforcement supervisor under the overall supervision of the Investigations Section Lieutenant.
- C. CSI Unit deployment to jurisdictions within Weber County is governed by WCSO policy and Interlocal Agreement for Provision of Technical Forensic Services.
- D. A crime scene technician will be made available on a twenty-four (24) hour call-out basis, to respond to scenes that involve extensive or complex physical evidence.
  1. The on-call crime scene technician should be notified as soon as possible when his/her services are required.
  2. On-scene personnel will follow directions by the incident commander on how to proceed until the crime scene technician arrives.

#### 55.1.2 Accident Scene Processing

- A. All accident investigations will generally be conducted by the assigned patrol unit, with assistance by other units or supervisors as needed. CSI unit personnel are available for technical processing of evidence or the scene, if needed.
- B. Major accidents (involving death, serious injuries or extreme road damage) may require investigators with advanced technical accident investigation or re-construction skills or equipment.
  - 1. CSI Unit personnel are available to provide evidence collection, photographs, and other processing where applicable.
  - 2. Deputies or supervisors who have received advanced investigation training may be assigned to conduct or assist in the investigation.
  - 3. The Utah Highway Patrol maintains advanced accident investigation personnel and equipment and may be requested to assist with the investigation.