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Crime Scene Management
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Members are reminded of Department General Order 6.01 section I.C. which states, "Access to the crime scene shall be limited to persons performing specific investigative or emergency functions." The senior ranking member at a crime scene is responsible for enforcing this policy and shall not allow personnel without a specific investigative or emergency function to either enter or remain in a crime scene when their presence is not required (e.g., the scene is deemed secure).

The senior ranking member in patrol shall relinquish command of a crime scene upon arrival and briefing of the senior ranking member assigned to Investigations (e.g., Station Investigations Team, Homicide, Gang Task Force, Night Investigation Unit, SVU, etc.). Patrol members shall serve as a resource to the Investigators in charge. The senior ranking member assigned to Investigations, who has taken charge of a crime scene, is responsible for ensuring that personnel without a specific investigative or emergency function do not enter into or remain at a crime scene.


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