

**SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION**

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**8.2.7 LABORATORY ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE - IMPLIED CONSENT DEPARTMENT**

<b>POLICY #:</b> 8.2.7	<b>DATE:</b> 09/01/93	<b>REVISION DATE:</b> 08/19/03
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**RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY:** SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE FORENSIC SERVICES LABORATORY

**RELATED STANDARDS/STATUTES/REFERENCES:** S. C. Code of Laws, Section 23-31-410  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 50-21-114  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 55-1-100  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-1-10  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-1-286  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-1-2130  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-5-2941  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-5-2950  
S. C. Code of Laws, Section 56-5-2953  
S. C. Code of Regulations, Chapter 73, Article 1

**GENERAL PURPOSE:** To establish the types of services offered by the Implied Consent Department and the personnel structure used by the department.

**POLICY:** The Implied Consent Department, within budgetary constraints, will maintain current/sufficient equipment and personnel to accomplish its services.

**SPECIFIC PROCEDURES:**

- A. Whenever possible and practical, the Implied Consent Department will typically offer the following types of services:
1. Certification of breath alcohol devices
  2. Maintenance/repair of breath alcohol devices
  3. Inspection of breath alcohol devices
  4. Certification of video recording systems
  5. Maintenance/repair of video recording systems
  6. Inspection of video recording systems
- B. An agent or criminalist in the Implied Consent Department will be designated as the Departmental Supervisor (Lieutenant).

- C. Agents, criminalists, or technicians in the Implied Consent Department will have the necessary training and experience to perform these services and supply court testimony. The agents, criminalists, or technicians will understand the instruments and methods/procedures used in providing the services.
- D. Agents, criminalists, or technicians in the Implied Consent Department will be assigned work in a manner that maximizes their efficiency and effectiveness. The Departmental Supervisor will make and modify work assignments balancing the availability, requisite skills, training, experience, caseload, and court commitments of the personnel.
- E. The Implied Consent Department will have an agent(s) or criminalist(s) designated to be on call for emergency laboratory duties, crime scene response, or other law enforcement duties for all hours extending beyond normal operating hours.

BY ORDER OF:

  
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