



OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY

Closed Case Summary

Complaint Number OPA#2015-1211

Issued Date: 03/16/2016

Named Employee #1	
Allegation #1	<u>Seattle Police Department Manual</u> 16.090 (6) In Car Video System: Employees Will Record Police Activities (Policy that was issued 02/01/2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Training Referral)
Final Discipline	N/A

Named Employee #2	
Allegation #1	<u>Seattle Police Department Manual</u> 16.090 (6) In Car Video System: Employees Will Record Police Activities (Policy that was issued 02/01/2015)
OPA Finding	Not Sustained (Training Referral)
Final Discipline	N/A

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS

The named employees were dispatched to a robbery call at a convenience store.

COMPLAINT

The complainant, the Force Review Unit, alleged that the named employees did not have any In-Car Video (ICV) for a specific incident.

INVESTIGATION

The OPA investigation included the following actions:

1. Review of the complaint memo
2. Review of In Car Video (ICV)
3. Search for and review of all relevant records and other evidence
4. Interview of SPD employees

ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The OPA investigation showed that named employee #1 responded to the scene at the time of the arrest, got out of his police vehicle, spoke briefly with the on-scene supervisor and then left the scene. The investigation showed that named employee #2 also responded to this scene, got out of his police vehicle, spoke to the on-scene supervisor and then left the scene. The evidence showed that neither named employee #1 nor named employee #2 recorded their response and activity related to this incident on their In-Car Video (ICV) system as required by policy. It was also determined that both employee arrived after the incident was over and took no law enforcement action while they were on scene.

FINDINGS

Named Employee #1 and #2

Allegation #1

The evidence supported that neither named employee #1 nor named employee #2 recorded their response or activity on their In-Car Video (ICV) system as required by policy. Therefore a finding of **Not Sustained** (Training Referral) was issued for *In Car Video System: Employees Will Record Police Activities*.

Required Training: Each named employee will be reminded by their supervisor that when operating a vehicle that is equipped with an In-Car Video (ICV) system, he must activate the ICV and record every time he travels to, is assigned to, or on-views "Police Activity" as defined by Policy 16.090 (6) regardless of his role or purpose for being there.

NOTE: The Seattle Police Department Manual policies cited for the allegation(s) made for this OPA Investigation are policies that were in effect during the time of the incident. The issued date of the policy is listed.