

DUNCANVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL ORDERS	
SUBJECT: Search and Seizure	GO 1.06
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I. OBJECTIVES

To assure the continuance of professional conduct by all employees associated with this department as they conduct necessary searches and seizures in the performance of duty.

II. RULES

A. No employee shall make any search or seizure, which he knows or should know, is not in accordance with the law and established departmental procedures.

B. No employee shall seize any evidence or contraband or take possession of any recovered property without offering a receipt to the person from whom it was seized or delivered, and any evidence, contraband, or property, except for vehicles shall be marked and/or tagged and without undue delay shall be stored in the designated property room, and described in the appropriate report made out concerning the incident involved.

C. No employee shall search any person or vehicle during an enforcement contact initiated for a traffic offense unless:

1. He reasonably suspects that the person is armed and the weapon is immediately available to the person.
2. He reasonably suspects that evidence relating to the traffic offense is to be found.
3. The person first freely, voluntarily and knowledgeably consents to the search.
4. Information arises which reasonably causes the employee to believe that the person has committed, was committing, or was about to commit some other crime under which a search is permissible by law.

D. No employee shall seize, retain, and/or hide ignition keys or otherwise disable or prevent the operation of any vehicle by a person who is not under arrest or detention and who has the right to possess such vehicle except when such person has fled to prevent arrest or detention or escaped from custody.