

## SPOKANE POLICE DIVISION INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE PATRICK M. DOBROW

**MEMORANDUM** -

TO: Director Schwering FROM: Lt. Steve Wohl DATE: 01-06-16 RE: New protocol for the release of bodycam video from OIS

## Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for officer involved critical incident bodycam video release.

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In reference to SPD draft policy 703 (Bodycams), we are implementing a new SOP which allows an involved officer to obtain a copy of his/her bodycam video from the TARU unit. Often times the involved officer will be given a copy of the video by the investigating detective if requested. This new SOP allows the release of the video to the involved officer by a member of TARU. The involved officer can directly contact TARU, request a copy of the incident bodycam footage, which will be released to them. TARU will then document the release in an additional, noting the date, time, and whom it was released to.

## 703.2.2 REVIEW OF BODY CAMERA VIDEO

## A. Officers may view all of their own audio/video data at any time.

B. Recordings may be reviewed by individuals other than the recording officer in any of the following situations:

1. By a supervisor investigating a specific act of officer conduct alleged in a complaint of misconduct.

2. By technical support staff for purposes of assessing proper functioning of body cameras.

3. By an Internal Affairs investigator who is participating in an official IA investigation investigating a specific act of officer conduct alleged in a complaint of misconduct.

4. By a department investigator who is participating in a criminal investigation.

5. By legal counsel and/or union representation representing an officer in a Critical Incidents prior to providing a statement pursuant to an administrative inquiry.

 By officers of video from other officers on scene prior to providing a statement pursuant to a Spokane Police Department internal administrative inquiry, including officer involved shooting investigations.



