

22.0 S.M.A.R.T. PROCEDURE (SNOHOMISH COUNTY MULTIPLE AGENCY RESPONSE TEAM)

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Criteria for Assistance from SMART

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A request for a SMART activation is required for any law enforcement involved fatal incident occurring in the City of Everett meeting the following criteria:

- Intentional or accidental shootings, including police incidents involving specialized response teams.
- Intentional and accidental use of any other dangerous or deadly weapon.
- Assaults upon law enforcement officers; assaults on other law enforcement employees who are on duty or are acting for law enforcement purpose.
- Attempts by law enforcement employees to make arrests or to otherwise gain physical control for a law enforcement purpose.
- Any fatal injury in police custody, excluding fatal injuries of prisoners, which occur while the inmate is under physician's care for a disease or other natural condition, which has been diagnosed prior to death.
- Incidents involving a use of force where a suspect stops breathing either during or after an arrest.
- A law enforcement involved fatal collision that was not accidental (i.e.; use of "legal intervention techniques") OR if vehicle movement was merely incidental to a fatality which was caused by non-vehicular means.

The above list is not all inclusive. If there is any doubt as to whether a particular incident would meet the criteria for SMART deployment, the on-scene supervisor should, after notifying the on-duty lieutenant (or Operations Duty Officer - ODO) and Command Duty Officer (CDO), request consultation with a SMART commander via SNOPAC. Deployment of the SMART Team ultimately lies with the SMART commander.

Authority to Activate SMART Rests with the Command Duty Officer (CDO)

On-scene supervisors encountering any of the incidents outlined above shall, as soon as practical, notify the on-duty lieutenant or ODO. The on-duty lieutenant or ODO will consult with the CDO prior to a request for activation. After reviewing the circumstances of an incident involving Everett Police personnel, the CDO may then authorize the on-scene supervisor to request a SMART activation. Once authorized, the on-scene supervisor will make the request for activation by contacting a SNOPAC Supervisor, who will then initiate the SMART Commander page.

It is at the discretion of any agency to use SMART. There is no requirement to activate the unit unless deemed necessary by the individual agency.

Prompt notification of the Command Staff is required

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