## **GENERAL NOTICE 13-02**

**To:** Chief Law Enforcement Officers

Training Officers
Protective Services
Resident Troopers

**From:** Thomas E. Flaherty

Police Academy Administrator

Date: October 7, 2013

Subject: Revised and Amended Connecticut Statewide Model Policy

Police Response to Crimes of Family Violence

## **Advisory Notice**

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## **Crimes of Family Violence**

Sec. 46b-38b (e) (2) of the General Statutes of Connecticut establishes a "model law enforcement policy on family violence for the state. Such policy shall consist of the model policy submitted by the task force established in section 19 of public act 11-152" and "as amended from time to time by the Family Violence Model Policy Governing Council established pursuant to section 46b-38j."

Sec. 46b-38b (e) (3) provides that "Not later than January 15, 2013, an annually thereafter, the chairperson of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council shall provide notice of updates to the model policy, if any, adopted by the council during the prior calendar year, to the chief

law enforcement officer of each municipality having a police department, the law enforcement instructor of each such police department, and the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection."

Additionally, Sec. 46b-38b (e) (4) requires that "Not later than July 1, 2013, and annually thereafter, each law enforcement agency shall submit a report to the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection, in such form as the commissioner prescribes, regarding the law enforcement agency's compliance with the model law enforcement policy on family violence for the state."

Chief Anthony J. Salvatore, Sr., Chairman of the Police Officer Standards and Training Council, has asked me to distribute by this General Notice, the current edition of the Connecticut Statewide Model Policy – Police Response to Crimes of Family Violence, as amended by the Family Violence Model Policy Governing Council. That policy is an attachment to this e-mail.

Please be advised that all Law Enforcement agency's Domestic Violence Policies must meet the minimum standards set forth by the Model Policy attached.

Also attached is a document titled "Survey to Determine Compliance with the State of Connecticut Family Violence Model Policy Pursuant to Public Act 12-114. This document should be used to annually report to the Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection by July 1 of each year.