



STATE OF CONNECTICUT
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND PUBLIC PROTECTION

Police Officer Standards and Training Council
Connecticut Police Academy

General Notice 24-01

To: Chief Law Enforcement Officers
Training Officers
Satellite Academies

From: Karen Boisvert *KB*
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Date: February 5, 2024

Subject: Family Violence Model Policy
Revised and Effective January 2024

Please be advised that the Police Officer Standards and Training Council has been notified that the attached Connecticut Statewide Policy has been adopted and approved by the Domestic Violence Criminal Justice Response and Enhancement Advisory Council as of January 2024, please disregard all versions prior to this date. Changes to the Family Violence Model Policy should be updated in accordance with Tier 1 Accreditation Standard 1.7.13.

Below is a list of key changes to the 2024 Policy:

- Removed "as amended by Public Act" when applicable to reflect current Connecticut General Statutes.
- Page 6. Removed OOP and spelled out "order of protection". Added "present or" to whether children are involved.
- Page 8. Clarified the language to include violations of orders of protection as part of family violence.
- Page 9. Replaced "speedy information" with "probable cause".
- Page 15. Removed, "if such a division exists within the law enforcement agency" language, making it clear that an internal affairs investigation will occur.
- Page 18. GPS program updated language.
- Page 22. Criminal possession of a firearm. Updates to reflect new language in CGS 53a-217 and CGS 53a-217c.
- Page 22. The Risk Protection Order section is simplified. The old version is no longer the correct process.
- Federal Statutes updates and corrections
- Page 24. "Sexual violence" was added to the summary of applicable Violence Against Women Act section to comply with statute.

- Page 25. Updated language to each of the federal statutes.
- Page 26. Updated "Current to 2024" date on the comparison of orders of protection title.
- Removed old public act references throughout the policy.

Questions or comments may be directed to my attention either by email karen.boisvert@ct.gov or phone 203-427-2601.

Additional reference:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/eSaOAj5QPus?si=yPxoAOLTWNiDn-kq> Subcommittee Meeting 01-17-24 (starting at 9:06)

<https://www.youtube.com/live/t6pAYQoS3uY?si=C-3J59DxUulVjz8P> Council Meeting 01-31-24 (starting at 20:04)

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