



CRYSTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

Department Policy Manual

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SCOPE

All police department employees.

POLICY

The Crystal police department shall be responsible for the enforcement of all laws and codes of the State of Minnesota and all ordinances of the city. This responsibility is held within the City of Crystal as stated by the corporate city limits.

The police department has jurisdiction only in criminal cases and no member of the department shall render any aid or assistance to either party in any civil action or dispute except that involving a criminal act or in suppressing a disturbance which has actually commenced. When requested, an officer may refer the parties to the proper authorities for assistance or the officer may appear in court as a witness when regularly and legally summoned.

These limits of jurisdiction may be changed or affected by agencies claiming overlapping or prior jurisdiction. State or county agencies may claim this jurisdiction and they may work with the city police. In cases involving prior jurisdiction with any federal, state or county agency, the Crystal police will act as aides to the agency.

These limits or jurisdiction may be changed or affected by mutual aid agreements. The official program of mutual aid is a metropolitan program for riot control. This program must be initiated by the city manager, by the Chief of Police, or by a Deputy Chief. These are the only officers empowered to affect this mutual aid program. Mutual aid may be given to or by a neighboring municipality in time of trouble upon request. This aid may be initiated by the shift commander if the personnel resources are available.