

Police Department/Police Procedure January 20, 2015

From: Andy Charles

As discussed in our December meeting, Chief Connolly has approved making changes to the traffic stop data that Urbana will collect. In addition to the IDOT mandated information, it has been suggested that the type of patrol that led to the stop be tracked. The following is my suggestion for categorical breakdown.

The first category type of stop is a traffic stop generated out of patrol focused on traffic enforcement. This category of stop includes STEP details (special traffic enforcement patrols that are detailed to a specific location to address an identified traffic problem), as well as time within a shift that an Officer dedicates to traffic enforcement.

The second category of stop is a stop that is generated out of Hot Spot or Problem Oriented Policing. These stops can be part of a department wide effort to impact crime in an area or they may arise from an individual Officer identifying an articulable problem in their beat and utilizing traffic enforcement as part of a strategy to address that problem.

The third category is a catch all or other category. This category will require some explanation from the Officer when used. When thinking of this category think traditional random patrol and the Officer makes an observation that leads to a stop. Some examples would be a blatant/dangerous violation in view of the Officer, an equipment violation that may be unknown to the driver.

While these three categories are somewhat simple and broad, I believe that they would yield data that would help define the issues in question. I look forward to input at the meeting. Paul and Will may have some specific ideas about how this change can be implemented to maximize the data gained.

I have included a scanned copy of the IDOT information sticker that is filled out by the Officer and placed on each citation. It came to my attention at the last meeting that some members of the committee may not have had a chance to see the collection tool that all of the numbers come from.

Reason for **stop** _____ # of tickets _____

1) WAS VEHICLE SEARCHED?

MARK ONLY THE PRINCIPLE JUSTIFICATION FOR THE SEARCH**

(only mark one section, A, B or C)

A. CONSENT

Consent Requested Consent Granted Consent Search Conducted
 Yes No Yes No Yes No

B. PROBABLE CAUSE:

Yes No (probable cause, inventory, etc - NOT CANINE)

C. CANINE

Sniff Alert Search Conducted
 Yes No Yes No Yes No

ITEMS FOUND DURING VEHICLE SEARCH: (mark even if not collected)

	IF DRUGS... QUANTITY
Drugi Paraphernalia	< 2 grams
Alcohol	2 - 10 arams
Weaoon	11 - 50 arams
Stolen Property	51 - 100 arams
Other Contraband	> 100 rirams

2) DRIVER SEARCH (.I box(es) that apply)

Consent Requested / Consent Granted | Search Conducted **Other**
 (canine, pc, 95, etc)
 Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No

3) PASSENGER SEARCH (.I box(es) that apply)

Consent Requested / Consent Granted | Search Conducted **Other**
 (canine, pc, 95, etc)
 Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No

ITEMS FOUND DURING DRIVER **OR** PASSENGER SEARCH: (mark even if not collected)

check fbox-describe in "comments"	IF DRUGS... QUANTITY
Drug Paraphernalia	(trace) < 2 arams
Alcohol	2 - 10 grams
Weapon	11 - 50 grams
Stolen Property	51 - 100 grams
Other Contraband	> 100 grams

OTHER: If nothing located during canine search, was there an admission of prior use or possession of contraband? YES NO

LIST:

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