

**ILLINOIS STATE POLICE  
OPS-074, TRAFFIC CRASH REDUCTION**

<b>RESCINDS:</b> OPS-074, 2022-155, revised 03-10-2022.	<b>REVISED:</b> 01-03-2023 <b>2023-089</b>
<b>RELATED DOCUMENTS:</b> OPS-061	<b>RELATED CALEA STANDARDS (6<sup>th</sup> Edition):</b> 61.1.1, 61.4.4, 61.1.6, 82.3.3

I. POLICY

The Illinois State Police (ISP) will work to reduce motor vehicle traffic crashes by:

- I.A. Identifying high traffic crash areas in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Transportation by evaluating geographic, temporal, and causative factors.
- I.B. Applying selective assignment techniques for patrol personnel.
- I.C. Monitoring and evaluating current enforcement data and significant incidents during Commanding Operational Policing Strategies (COPS) sessions.
- I.D. Positively impacting driving behaviors by educating motorists of all age groups on the benefits of practicing motor vehicle safety, occupant restraint usage, and the dangers of impaired and distracted driving.

II. RESPONSIBILITIES

- II.A. Upon request, the Statewide Terrorism and Intelligence Center (STIC) will provide the Division of Patrol (DOP) Assistant Deputy Director, Operations Command, and each Troop Commander or designees, with traffic crash and enforcement data.
- II.B. The DOP Assistant Deputy Director, Operations Command, will formulate a DOP Traffic Crash Reduction Plan as part of the patrol program based upon evaluation of statewide crash and enforcement data along with the intent and priorities of the Deputy Director of DOP.
- II.C. Each Troop Commander will:
  - II.C.1. Formulate, implement, maintain, and periodically review the Troop Traffic Crash Reduction Plan, and incorporate appropriate strategies in the Troop Tactical Plan, including such tactics as:
    - II.C.1.a. Visible traffic patrol, whether area, line, or directed
    - II.C.1.b. Stationary observation, covert and overt
    - II.C.1.c. Use of unmarked or unconventional vehicles
    - II.C.1.d. Use of roadside safety checks
  - II.C.2. When preparing the Troop Tactical Plan, request traffic crash and enforcement data from STIC and establish appropriate traffic crash prevention patrols, using the data.
  - II.C.3. Use Troop Public Information Safety Education Officer(s) (PISEO) in programs designed to increase public awareness of high traffic crash areas and causation factors.
- II.D. ISP personnel are responsible for supporting traffic crash reduction plans consistent with their assigned responsibilities or as requested.
- II.E. All uniformed officers will enforce traffic laws and participate in traffic crash reduction activities.
- II.F. The PISEO or Troop Commander, or designee, is responsible for media coverage. PISEOs, with direction from the Public Information Safety Education Unit Supervisor, will develop traffic crash reduction programs for presentation to interested community groups.

III. PROCEDURES

III.A. The DOP Assistant Deputy Director, Operations Command, will:

III.A.1. Submit a revised annual Statewide Traffic Crash Reduction Plan to the Deputy Director, DOP, by September 1 of each year. This review will:

III.A.1.a. Form the basis for strategy expansion, revision, or deletion.

III.A.1.b. Be included in annual DOP patrol program reports.

III.A.2. Upon approval by the Deputy Director, DOP, the plan will:

III.A.2.a. Be included in the agency strategic plan.

III.A.2.b. Be forwarded to Region Commanders for operational implementation of Troop Traffic Crash Reduction Plans.

III.B. Each Region Commander will:

III.B.1. Complete a Region Traffic Crash Reduction Plan if deemed appropriate. If completed, the plan must be submitted to the Assistant Deputy Director, Operations Command by November 1 of each year.

III.B.2. Provide guidance to the Troop Commanders on goals and objectives for their Plan.

III.B.3. Review, approve, and ensure implementation of Troop Traffic Crash Reduction Plans.

III.B.4. Forward all Plans to the Assistant Deputy Director, DOP, Operations Command.

III.C. Each Troop Commander will:

III.C.1. Submit completed Troop Traffic Crash Reduction Plans to the Region Commander by December 1 of each year.

III.C.2. Perform an annual review, update the Troop's Tactical Plan(s), and submit the findings to the Region Commander by January 16 of each year.

| Indicates new or revised items.

**-End of Directive-**