



Minneapolis Police Department Policy and Procedure Manual

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Misconduct Prevention, Reporting and Investigation

2-102 **Duty to Intervene** (01/17/22) (09/26/22) (xx/xx/25)

I. Purpose

MPD members have a moral, ethical, and in some cases legal duty to intervene to prevent another member from conduct that would unnecessarily harm others or would violate law or policy. When any law enforcement officer exceeds their authority, it reflects on every law enforcement officer and it is the Department's collective responsibility to hold one another accountable.

II. Policy

A. Intervention

In addition to the requirements set forth in the Duty to Intervene section in the P&P 5-301 Use of Force policy:

1. Members shall intervene when they are witness to and have a reasonable opportunity to prevent or mitigate harm caused by policy or legal violations.
 - a. This duty applies, regardless of rank, to any member working in their capacity as an MPD sworn member or civilian (non-sworn) staff member.
 - b. Members should intervene in a manner that protects the safety of the community, their colleagues, and themselves to the greatest extent possible.
2. Members are also encouraged to intervene to assist colleagues in addressing health and wellness concerns, even where those concerns are not currently resulting in policy or legal violations.

B. Failure to Intervene

The MPD will investigate all apparent instances of a failure to intervene when mandatory, whether discovered during the course of any use of force review, misconduct investigation, a community oversight review, or by any other means.

C. Reporting

This policy does not alter the reporting requirements for violations in P&P 5-100, P&P 2-100 and any other policy that requires members to report misconduct. The requirements to intervene are in addition to requirements to report.

1. If a member successfully intervenes to prevent misconduct from occurring or prevent a situation from escalating to the point of misconduct, the member is not required to report the intervention under the Duty to Report policy P&P 2-101.
2. If a member attempts to use intervention techniques with another member, but the other member is not receptive to the invention and misconduct occurs, the member shall report the misconduct under the Duty to Report policy P&P 2-101.
3. If a member successfully intervenes to stop ongoing or continuing misconduct, the member shall report the misconduct under the Duty to Report policy P&P 2-101.

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