

Department of Public Safety	
Standard Operating Guidelines	
Subject:	Limited Duty
Section:	Administration
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PURPOSE

To establish a process that imposes appropriate work restrictions due to a temporary injury or other medical or physical condition in accordance with County Policy 509.0.

SCOPE

This applies to all non-probationary uniformed members of the Department.

CONTENT

Establish guidelines for employees restricted to limited duty when they cannot perform their regularly assigned duties due to job-related or non-job-related injuries or illnesses. Limited duty is defined as a temporary restriction of the range of expected duties of a particular employee or the temporary assignment of that employee.

- 1. Limited Duty assignments will be for periods of 30 days. Request for assignments longer than 30 days may be granted upon physician certification and Director's approval.
- 2. An employee on limited duty is prohibited from engaging in off-duty employment as regulated by the Director.
- 3. While an employee is on limited duty, they will wear class D uniform unless otherwise directed.
- 4. An employee on limited duty will not operate a vehicle in emergency response capacity.
- 5. The employee's supervisor will be furnished a copy of the employee's work assignments, medical restrictions and anticipated length of limited duty.
- 6. If there are any changes from the original request for limited duty, the employee will immediately notify the Director or his designee and their supervisor.
- 7. Limited Duty physician certification form shall be signed by primary doctor before limited duty may begin.
- 8. Personnel that have suffered a debilitating illness or injury shall be required to perform a physical performance evaluation prior to returning to full duty. This criterion includes surgery, pregnancy, and lost work time of forty-eight (48) hours or more.