

GENERAL ORDER 83.2.4

Crime Scene Equipment

GENERAL ORDER CROSS-REFERENCE: None.

SUMMARY

Establishes a procedure to provide fundamental tools and supplies necessary to carry out crime scene processing responsibilities effectively.

DISCUSSION

None.

POLICY

I

Specialty crime scene equipment is available to crime scene personnel. Additional equipment is available through mutual aid from other departments. ; for example, Fire and Life Safety units are equipped with special lighting equipment, generators, ladders, power tools and other specialty items. An overhead view of a crime scene may be made from the Fire Department's snorkel truck. Helicopters are available from the Lane County Sheriff's Department and other sources. Oregon State Police laboratory personnel are available should plaster or silicone impressions be needed at a scene. Eugene Police Department's bomb squad is available should the scene dictate explosive expertise. The Department of Environmental Quality and Drug Enforcement Agency can assist in the handling of toxic/hazardous materials.

II

Safety devices such as goggles, safety glasses, paper clothing and shoe covers, face protectors, ear protectors, gloves, etc. are provided to carry out assigned duties in a safe manner.

III

Officers have access to still and video cameras, latent print kits, lighting equipment, blood test kits and portable scene processing kits

Packaging materials are available in the property booking room and may be transported to the field if necessary.

IV

Property personnel have access to the property van which is furnished with the following:

- 40 lb. bag absorbent
- Electric extension cords,
- Rope
- Bolt cutters
- Asst. sockets, ratchets, hacksaws, hammers
- Rubber boots
- Cardboard boxes, wraps for breakables
- Paper and plastic bags
- Eye wash
- Additional protective clothing
- First aid kit.

V

Each scene is unique and adjustments shall be made to add, subtract, or locate a source of supplies for each unexpected need.

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