

POLICY 810
Appendix A

EFFECTIVE DATE
092914

Eugene
Police Department



PUBLIC SAFETY STATEMENT

A public safety statement is a compelled statement at the scene of an officer involved shooting to a sworn supervisor. The questions posed by the supervisor to the involved officer(s) should be specific and not exceed the scope of attempting to identify the locations of suspects, witnesses, and victims (known or believed). The questions listed below are acceptable examples of questions a supervisor may pose at the scene to an officer recently involved in an officer-involved shooting.

- Were you involved in an officer-involved shooting?
- Did you fire rounds? What direction did you fire them?
- Is it possible the suspect fired rounds at you? What direction did they come from?
- Is anyone injured? If so, where are they located?
- Are you aware of any witnesses? If so, what is their location?
- Approximately where were you when you fired the rounds?
- Are there any outstanding suspects? If so, what is the description, direction and mode of travel? How long have they been gone? What crime(s) are they wanted for? What weapons are they armed with?
- Are there any weapons or evidence that still need to be secured or protected? Where is it located?

Supervisors should obtain the public safety statements of all involved employees (as defined in §810.1.1) **before** they are transported from the scene. The supervisor, absent exigent circumstances, shall remain at the scene to provide the Public Safety Statement to responding investigators. The information shall be provided, either voluntarily or with representation, to the IDFIT investigators upon their request.

These questions should be followed by an order **not to discuss the incident with anyone** with the exception of legal counsel, union or association representation, or peer counselors (see Policy §810.3.5 for further guidance).