

MINNEAPOLIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL ORDER



BY ORDER OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

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SUBJECT: Manual Revision – 5-303.01 Duty to Intervene			APPROVED BY: <i>Chief Arradondo</i>

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Introduction: This policy is being updated to clarify the Duty to Intervene.

Effective with the issuance of this Special Order, Section 5-303.01 of the MPD Policy and Procedure Manual shall be amended as follows:

5-303.01 DUTY TO INTERVENE
(07/28/16) (06/16/20)

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- A. Sworn employees have an obligation to protect the public and other employees.
- B. ~~It shall be the duty of every sworn employee present at any scene where physical force is being applied to either stop or attempt to stop another sworn employee when force is being inappropriately applied or is no longer required.~~ Regardless of tenure or rank, any sworn employee who observes another employee use any prohibited force, or inappropriate or unreasonable force (including applying force when it is no longer required), must attempt to safely intervene by verbal and physical means, and if they do not do so shall. Employees who attempt to safely intervene shall not be subject to discipline to the same severity as if they themselves engaged in the prohibited, inappropriate or unreasonable use of force.