
	MESQUITE POLICE DEPARTMENT
	203.00 ATTENTION TO DUTY
	Effective Date: August, 2011
	Approved: _____ <div style="text-align: center;">  Chief of Police </div>

- I. Geographical Area of Responsibility
 - A. Employees of the Police Department who are assigned to a geographical area of responsibility during a tour of duty will be held accountable for activities of a police nature which occur within that area during that tour of duty.
 - B. Officers shall remain within their assigned geographical area of responsibility except:
 - 1. When required by police duties to leave that area.
 - 2. When authorized by a supervisory officer to leave that area.
 - 3. For scheduled lunch breaks.
- II. Attention to Duties
 - A. Personnel on duty or in uniform shall refrain from activities which might interfere with their attention to duties, which might reasonably be interpreted to indicate an inattention to their responsibilities, or which might cause members of the public or other police personnel to reasonably question their attention to duties. Such activities might include, but not limited to:
 - 1. Non-duty-related television or video viewing;
 - 2. Non-duty-related reading;
 - 3. Non-duty-related computer use;
 - 4. Video, computer, card, or other games;
 - 5. Extended personal conversations or visits;
 - 6. Sleeping, napping, or resting with eyes closed; or
 - 7. Remaining immobile for a significant period of time.
 - B. An exception to the provisions of Section II.A. might apply where the employee is on an authorized break and is away from public view.

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