

# CITY OF BARSTOW

CALIFORNIA

**POLICIES and PROCEDURES MANUAL:**

**POLICE**

**Subject:**

**IN-CUSTODY DEATH REPORTING POLICY**

## INTRODUCTION

The intent of this policy is to establish a uniform procedure for reporting the death of individuals while in-custody. The following procedure is mandated by Government Code Section 12525.

## PROCEDURE

Effective immediately, when an individual dies while in-custody, that fact shall be reported to the California Attorney General within ten days. This shall include individuals in-custody within the facility and in the field.

I. It shall be the watch commander's responsibility to obtain facts concerning the identification of the suspect and cause of death. He shall then contact the Police Services Manager with that information as soon as possible.

II. The Police Services Manager shall prepare the attached document and transmit same to the Law Enforcement Information Center within the mandated ten day period.

III. If the cause of death is deemed to be natural, it is necessary that we specify if it was due to Aids, Tuberculosis, or other communicable disease.

**Reference:**

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