

MEDINA POLICE DEPARTMENT

GENERAL ORDER

ORDER NO: 2018-042

SUBJECT: Use of High Visibility Apparel

EFFECTIVE DATE: Nov. 20, 2018

RESCINDS ORDER NO: 09-03-01

DISTRIBUTION: All Department Personnel

PURPOSE: To establish a policy regarding the use of high-visibility apparel, as per Federal Highway Administration 23 CFR Part 634-Worker Visibility.

Definitions: a. High Visibility Safety Apparel – protective safety clothing that is intended to provide conspicuity during both daytime and nighttime usage.

I. POLICY:

- a. All uniform Police Officers of the Village of Medina Police Department will be issued a “High-visibility vest” which meets as minimum standard the requirements defined in 23 CFR Part 634-Worker Visibility.
- b. In addition, a high-visibility vest will be placed in each patrol vehicle.
- c. Law Enforcement Personnel will wear these vests when engaged in activities located on a highway or right of way. These activities will include:
 1. Directing Traffic
 2. Investigating crashes,
 3. Handling road and lane closures
 4. Road Checks or Checkpoints
 5. Parade Details
 6. Disasters or obstructed roadways
- d. This requirement applies to all emergency responders with certain common sense exceptions for responders who are engaging in operational activities with other primary hazards (e.g. law enforcement officers who are in potentially confrontational situations).
- e. All Medina Police Officers on patrol will carry this vest in their possession with their personal gear and will maintain the issued vest in good condition. A copy of Part 634-Worker Visibility Act will be provided at the time the officer is issued the vest.

By Order Of:

Chad D. Kenward
Chief of Police