

	RUTGERS UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT WRITTEN DIRECTIVE SYSTEM		2:16
	JURISDICTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES		
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2:16-1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this directive is to codify the jurisdictional boundaries of this agency and to establish a policy for interacting with surrounding government agencies and those agencies with concurrent jurisdiction.

2:16-2 POLICY

It is the policy of this agency to recognize the corporate boundaries of the University as depicted on the prevailing map and those areas where this agency shares jurisdiction with other agencies.

It is further the policy of this agency to fully cooperate with surrounding governmental entities and with any agency with concurrent jurisdiction to the fullest extent allowed by law; and to comply with existing agreements, statutes and Attorney General's and Prosecutors' guidelines regarding jurisdictional matters in all law enforcement activities.

2:16-3 GENERAL

- a. It is important to respect the corporate boundaries of this agency's jurisdiction.
- b. It is equally important to respect the corporate boundaries of other jurisdictions and those areas where jurisdiction is recognized as concurrent with another law enforcement agency.
- c. Due to the scattered location of University properties, members of this agency may often witness criminal violations being perpetrated outside of the agency's primary jurisdiction while carrying out their routine law enforcement responsibilities to the University. In these instances, the appropriate law enforcement agency shall be contacted and asked to respond to the incident. The situation shall be turned over to that agency upon their arrival; the officer will become a witness to the incident. In the event the appropriate law enforcement agency is unable or unwilling to respond and assume control of the incident, the officer will continue with the investigation of the situation.
- d. In circumstances when personnel are dispatched to an assignment that is subsequently learned to have occurred in another jurisdiction, they shall request a police officer and/or other appropriate emergency service from that other jurisdiction through the communication center. In those situations where emergency services and/or a police presence are/is required to preserve life and personal safety, personnel should remain on scene until the arrival other competent responders from the appropriate jurisdiction in order to render necessary assistance.
- e. Prior to conducting any investigation, raid, or warrant service outside of properties owned by Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey; police personnel shall notify the law enforcement agency and/or Prosecutor where the action will take place, unless otherwise ordered by the appropriate Prosecutor's Office, Attorney General, or other agency with concurrent jurisdiction.

- f. Off duty actions must be consistent with Directive 3:11 Off Duty Incidents.
- g. Officers taking police action outside of the University's corporate borders should notify the government agency with jurisdiction of the action by the quickest means.
- h. When dealing with an agency with concurrent responsibilities, this agency may be relegated to that of a supporting role within our own jurisdiction. Full cooperation to the extent possible afforded by law shall be provided. The ranking duty supervisor should coordinate these efforts.
- i. Agencies with concurrent jurisdiction include all Federal; State; County; and local governmental entities that have jurisdiction within the State of New Jersey and counties and municipalities where properties of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey are located. Examples include, but are not limited to: the Federal Bureau of Investigation; United States Secret Service; United States Marshall's Service; Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE); FEMA; New Jersey State Police; New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice; County Sheriff's Department; County Prosecutor's Office; County Office of Emergency Management; University's Office of Emergency Management; Cities of Camden, Newark, and New Brunswick; Townships of East Brunswick, Edison, North Brunswick, Piscataway; and the Borough of Highland Park etc. as applicable.
- j. NJSA 18A:6-4.5 reads; *"Every person so appointed and commissioned shall possess all the powers of policemen and constables in criminal cases and offenses against the law anywhere in the State of New Jersey, pursuant to any limitations as may be imposed by the governing body of the institution which appointed and commissioned the person."*
- k. NJSA 18A:6-4.7. reads: *"In connection with traffic and parking violations, and policemen appointed pursuant to this act [NJSA 18A:6-4] shall, while on duty and within the territorial limits of the municipalities in which the respective institutions are located, and with the concurrence of the chiefs of police of such municipalities have the power to enforce the laws regulating traffic and the operation of motor vehicles."*
- l. Personnel should be mindful that police officers have no jurisdiction or enforcement powers in civil matters except for those civil orders resulting from domestic violence incidents issued under NJSA 2C:25-1 et. seq. Police involvement in civil matters shall be restricted to keeping the peace and referral to the appropriate civil court for redress. An incident report is required to memorialize the referral and any agency actions.