

<b>East Haven Police Department</b>  	<b>Type of Directive:</b> <b>Policies &amp; Procedures</b>		<b>No. 305.3</b>
	<b>Subject/Title:</b>  <b>Mutual Aid</b>	<b>Issue Date:</b> December 22, 2015	
	<b>Issuing Authority:</b>  <b>Honorable Board of Police Commissioners</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b> January 15, 2016	
<b>References/Attachments:</b> SCRSWAT Mutual Police Assistance Compact (August 2014), SCCTU Mutual Police Assistance Compact (August 2014), East Haven/North Branford/North Haven Mutual Assistance Compact (August 2013), South Central Connecticut Mutual Police Assistance Compact (May 1995)		<b>Review Date:</b>  <b>Annually</b>	
		<b>Rescinds:</b> <b>305.2</b>	<b>Amends:</b> N/A

## I. PURPOSE

- A. The purpose of this directive is to set forth the policies and procedures of the East Haven Police Department regarding:
1. The East Haven Police Department's policies on mutual aid and concurrent jurisdiction.
  2. This directive lists the mutual aid agreements to which the East Haven Police Department is party. It provides the most important operating principles of each agreement.
  3. This directive also explains how the East Have Police Department works with other departments who have concurrent jurisdiction in the Town.

## II. POLICY

- A. It is the policy of the East Haven Police Department that the Department shall participate in mutual aid agreements and that its personnel shall respond promptly to orders to assist in mutual aid operations. Personnel assigned to mutual aid operations shall meet the high professional standards of the East Haven Police Department while working under the command of police personnel from that jurisdiction.
- B. It is the policy of the East Haven Police Department that its personnel shall work cooperatively with all other police departments having concurrent jurisdiction in the Town.

### **III. GENERAL GUIDELINES AND CONSIDERATIONS**

Section 7-277a of the Statutes of the State of Connecticut authorizes municipalities to enter into compacts for mutual police assistance.

The leadership of the East Haven Police Department recognizes that the sharing of specially trained police officers and other law enforcement resources among jurisdictions allows for the cooperative delivery of specialized services that normally would be beyond the capability of an individual jurisdiction.

The Connecticut State Police have jurisdiction throughout the Town of East Haven. The Connecticut Environmental Conservation Police have concurrent jurisdiction in the state parks and the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles Police have concurrent jurisdiction on the roadways.

### **IV. PROCEDURES – Mutual Aid Agreements**

#### **A. South Central Regional Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SCRSWAT).**

1. The East Haven Police Department has agreed to a Mutual Police Assistance Compact with the towns of Branford, Guilford, Madison, North Haven and North Branford.<sup>i</sup>
2. The department shall abide to the terms and conditions set forth by the SCRSWAT compact.
3. The department shall abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the SCRSWAT.

#### **B. South Central Connecticut Regional Traffic Unit (SCCTU).**

1. The East Haven Police Department has agreed to a Mutual Police Assistance Compact with the towns of Branford, Madison, North Haven and North Branford.<sup>ii</sup>
2. The department shall abide to the terms and conditions set forth by the SCCTU compact.
3. The department shall abide by the rules and regulations set forth by the SCCTU.

#### **C. South Central Connecticut Mutual Police Assistance Compact.**

1. The Town of East Haven has agreed to a Mutual Police Assistance Compact with the other New Haven County Municipalities.<sup>iii</sup>
2. The department shall abide to the terms and conditions of the compact.

#### **D. East Haven/North Branford/North Haven Mutual Police Assistance Compact**

1. The East Haven Police Department has agreed to a Mutual Police Assistance Compact with the towns of North Haven and North Branford.<sup>iv</sup>

2. The department shall abide to the terms and conditions set forth by the East Haven/North Branford/North Haven compact.

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<sup>i</sup> SCRSWAT Mutual Police Assistance Compact, August 2014

<sup>ii</sup> SCCTU Mutual Police Assistance Compact, August 2014

<sup>iii</sup> South Central Connecticut Mutual Police Assistance Compact, May 1995

<sup>iv</sup> East Haven/North Branford/North Haven Mutual Police Assistance Compact, August 2013