

ARTICLE 29

SAFETY COMMITTEE AND SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Section 29.1 Joint safety programs shall be adopted and enforced by a Joint Safety Committee comprised of an equal number of representatives from the Lodge and the City.

Section 29.2 The City shall make reasonable provisions for the safety and health of employees during their hours of employment. The City shall:

- A. Maintain its equipment in safe operating condition.
- B. Furnish protective devices and/or equipment as the Joint Safety Committee deems necessary to properly safeguard the health and safety of police officers and protect them from injury.

Section 29.3 Officers shall not be required to operate an unsafe vehicle. In the event an officer believes that an assigned vehicle is unsafe, it shall be returned to the station and the officer shall immediately contact a supervisor and advise him/her of the mechanical defects. It shall be the responsibility of the supervisor to determine if the vehicle should continue to be operated or taken out of service.

Section 29.4 If it is determined that the vehicle is unsafe to be operated, it shall be removed from service and the officer shall complete a Repair Order Form. A vehicle shall remain out of service until it has been properly repaired.