

CHAPTER 13: STANDARD RADIO PROCEDURES

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SUBJECT: RPD EMERGENCY ALERT

A. EMERGENCY ALERT - SPECIFIC TO RPD ONLY

The RPD vehicles and portable radios are equipped with an emergency alert button. When this button is activated, an alert tone is heard in dispatch. The channel with the alert will automatically go to full volume. That way, if the unit is on a secondary channel, the Dispatcher will always be able to hear any traffic over the other channels.

The dispatcher will always interpret receipt of this tone as "Officer Needs Help." Do Not attempt to status check the unit. The dispatcher shall immediately broadcast to all units that an alert tone has been received and give the officer's location. If the officer is 10-8, the dispatcher will announce this also, and will then ascertain as quickly as possible where the officer was last checked out.

Examples:

1. (Use Code 33 broadcast procedure as noted above.) "All units, emergency alert received from 2D4, 10-18 Market at Trinity."
2. (Use Code 33 procedure as noted above.) "All units, emergency alert received from 2D4, currently 10-8, last checked out at Gene's Drive In, 12 ago."

Only after other units have advised responding should you attempt to status check the unit.