Chapter 27

Winona Police Department

Body Cameras

27.1 It is mandatory that all officers shall bring their department issued body camera with them to each shift they work.

27.2 It is the officers responsibility to make sure the body camera is charged and operable when they clock in for their shift.

27.3 It is mandatory that the officer use the body camera any time they are interacting with the public. These encounters include traffic stops, safety check points, calls that are responded to and any other situation that relate to their job duties.

27.4 It is mandatory that each officer upload the data from their body camera at the end of each shift. The data is to be uploaded to the computer at the Winona Police Department and saved to personal file on that same computer.

27.5 Failure to follow these guidelines will result in a written reprimand and/or a Suspension without pay and each additional violation of this policy will result in going before the Winona City Board of Aldermen and possible termination.

28.5 Effective August 1, 2017, videos from body cameras will be saved for different amounts of time. Videos of interactions with the public that didn’t result in charges being filed will be saved for 6 months. Videos from situations that resulted in misdemeanor charges being filed will be saved for 1 year. Videos from situations that resulted in felony charges being filed will be saved for up to 3 years. Videos from cases that do not have a statute of limitations will be saved for an indefinite amount of time.