

**1312.00 ARRESTS**

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Responsible Office:	Systemwide Community Safety
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Scope:	The policies and procedures contained within constitute a directive for members of the University of California Police Department (UCPD). They were created to provide direction and guidance to the members of the UCPD and provide the framework of coordination for the protection of the population and resources of the University of California.

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I. POLICY SUMMARY

The Systemwide UCPD Arrests Policy sets standards for how UCPD officers carry out arrests, ensuring both the protection of life and property and respect for individual rights. Officers are prohibited from using force beyond what is necessary and are expected to exercise professional judgment in all interactions. The policy requires officers to take precautions to prevent escapes, secure weapons, and ensure the safety of arrestees and their property. Arrestees and suspects must be treated humanely, without abuse,

and may only be searched in accordance with law, policy, and training. To avoid conflicts of interest and maintain integrity, officers may not post bail, recommend bond agencies, or suggest attorneys to arrestees. They also may not accept money as bail or fines except through authorized procedures, nor accept personal items from suspects or their associates. Officers should follow all arrestee procedures.

II. POLICY TEXT

RIGHTS OF INDIVIDUALS

1312.1 When it becomes necessary to take police action, officers shall give consideration to the rights of all persons, including alleged law violators, and to the manner in which they exercise their powers as peace officers. Without compromising their primary mission, which is the protection of life and property, officers may use such reasonable force as is necessary to effect an arrest, to prevent escape or to overcome resistance.

ARREST PROCEDURES

1312.2 In making arrests, officers shall comply with the following procedures.

1312.2.1 Precautions. Officers shall take all reasonable precautions in arresting and detaining persons to ensure against escapes. They shall be alert to the possession by suspects or arrestees of weapons or other items that could inflict bodily injury. Officers shall be responsible for the safety of arrestees and their property.

1312.2.2 Security of Weapons. Officers shall exercise caution with firearms or other weapons at all times and particularly when in the presence of suspects or arrestees. All weapons shall be secured or removed from locations accessible to arrestees.

1312.2.3 Treatment of Arrestees and Suspects. Arrestees and suspects shall be treated in a humane manner as provided by law. They shall not be subject to the use of force except as prescribed by UCPD policy and the law. No officer shall verbally abuse arrestees or suspects.

1312.2.4 Searching Arrestees and Suspects. Whenever it is necessary to search an arrestee or suspect, the search should be conducted in accordance with the law, UCPD policy and training.

1312.2.5 Vehicle Pursuits. Each Campus shall adopt a vehicle pursuit policy.

TRANSACTIONS WITH ARRESTEES AND SUSPECTS

1312.3 No officer shall purchase or accept any item for personal use from any suspect or arrestee or from anyone associated with any suspect or arrestee.

BAIL, POSTING PROHIBITED

1312.4 No officer shall post bail for persons placed under arrest by a member of the department, without the approval of the Chief of Police.

1312.4.1 Accepting Bail, Fines. Officers shall not accept money as bail or in payment of a fine except in accordance with UCPD policy.

1312.4.2 Recommending Bond Agency Prohibited. No officer shall suggest or recommend any person or firm engaged in the business of furnishing bail to any arrestee or person requesting such information.

RECOMMENDING ATTORNEYS PROHIBITED

1312.5 No officer shall recommend any attorney to any party in a criminal or civil case in which the officer's department is involved.

III. COMPLIANCE / RESPONSIBILITIES

Each Chief of Police has the responsibility to adopt and publish policies and procedures for the assistance and guidance of the members of their individual campus police departments. Policies and Procedures for campus police departments issued by authority of the Chief of Police shall have the same authority as these Policies.

Local regulations, including General and Special Orders, Procedural Memoranda and instructions may be written more restrictively than Policies Applying to University of California Police Department, however they may not be written to supplant or diminish the Policies and Procedures contained within this Systemwide document.

IV. RELATED INFORMATION

Not applicable

V. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Not applicable

VI. REVISION HISTORY

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