

**COLORADO SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
CALLS FOR SERVICE PRIORITIES**

PRIORITY ONE

Priority One represents an imminent life-threatening situation that requires an immediate response by police, fire, or medical personnel. These calls are generally in-progress or just-occurred events. Calls for service requiring a fire or medical response must be dispatched within one minute. Calls for service requiring a police response will be dispatched as soon as possible to any available units. Cross-zone dispatching will be considered when dispatching priority one calls.

PRIORITY TWO

Priority Two calls are situations that will be classified as critical, and will include in-progress calls with potentially dangerous circumstance, but no apparent imminent life threat. These calls are generally in-progress or just-occurred events and should be dispatched as soon as possible to any available units. Cross-zone dispatching will be considered when dispatching priority two calls.

PRIORITY THREE

Priority Three calls represent in-progress incidents involving property and cold incidents against a person. These calls can be in-progress, just-occurred, a past event, or a cold call. They should be dispatched as soon as possible from the available patrol units.

PRIORITY FOUR

Priority Four calls represent cold incidents involving property and other minor incidents requiring a response that are dispatched based on the availability of patrol units. These calls are generally a past event or cold call. If a long delay is apparent, or the call holds longer than four hours, the administrative dispatcher should call the RP back and advise him/her of the reason for the delay in response. Call backs should be documented in the remarks section of the call screen.

PRIORITY FIVE

Priority Five calls represent DLR calls and those calls for service which are usually entered into the system for administrative purposes. They are generally cold calls and a response may or may not be necessary; however, the call requires documentation.

PRIORITY SIX

Priority Six calls represent call types used internally by the dispatcher for specific events or to title a call more accurately after the fact. They are not call types used by the ERTs to build calls for service that will require a dispatch; and therefore, will not sit in a pending queue.

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Subject: <u>Open Carry</u>	Number: <u>2011-02</u>
Date: <u>3/16/2011</u>	Issued By: <u>Renee Henshaw</u>

Scheduled for Evaluation		Date of Evaluation:	
Training Bulletin	X	SOP(s) affected:	
Operational Update		G.O.(s) affected:	
Effective Immediately:	X	Date Effective:	

The Colorado Constitution generally supports the right to bear arms and there is no law that serves as a blanket prohibition on the open carrying of firearms. However, there are several restrictions on this right:

1. The person must be 18 years of age or older.
2. The person has never been convicted of a felony, or has never been convicted of a misdemeanor domestic violence charge.
3. The person is **not** under the influence of alcohol or any controlled substance.
4. The firearm is not a rifle with a barrel under 16 inches or an overall length under 26 inches; or a shotgun with a barrel under 18 inches and overall length under 26 inches. (e.g. sawed off shotgun)

State law and local ordinances also define where it is unlawful to possess a gun:

1. Any place prohibited by federal law (e.g. federal offices, courthouses)
2. Any public or private elementary, middle, junior high, high, or vocational school or any public or private college, university, or seminary.
3. Any public building that prohibits weapons. (Must be posted)
4. Any private business or residence that prohibits weapons.

The mere act of openly carrying a gun in a non-threatening manner is not automatically to be considered suspicious behavior. Therefore, if we get a call from a citizen about a person who has a firearm in plain sight and they are not acting in a suspicious manner, they have not brandished it, discharged it, or violated any of the previous conditions; CSPD will not respond.