



Policies for SRTs: What do we know? How do we create a policy?

“Body-worn camera policies among policing agencies are similar regardless of the size of the agency.” Research by White, Patterson, and Malm (2021) indicates that there are relatively few differences in the policies of extra-small, small, medium, and large departments. That is, most agencies include policies that deal with activation/de-activation, officer/supervisor review, compliance, off-duty uses, and audits. However, some differences exist. For example,

extra-small and small agencies are more likely to be mandated to notify citizens that they are being recorded than large departments. Second, most agencies give supervisors authority to review line officers’ BWC footage for general performance evaluations, and nearly all extra-small agencies give supervisors this authority. You can read the completed report [here](#).

These findings and the experience of working with over 450 agencies across the country form the basis for the Policy Wizard that was built for the SRT Program. For SRT micro-grantees who want to create a policy, [visit our Policy Wizard](#).

If you prefer to create your policy from scratch, the SRT website also has model policies from the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), and the states of Ohio and New Jersey. In addition, actual policies from small agencies and a sheriff’s department are located on [our website](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

SRT Webinars

The Second ‘P’: Getting Paid
March 23, 2022
at 11am PST/2pm EST

The Third ‘P’: Getting Paid
April 27, 2022
at 11am PST/2pm EST

Grants Management: How do I get paid or reimbursed?

This question about payment and reimbursement is among the top-rated questions that the SRT Help Desk receives. Under the SRT Program, we will be providing direct deposits. To process payments, we will be working with you to set up an account in the SRT Reimbursement section of the grantee portal. You will be assigned a financial point of contact who will have exclusive access to the SRT reimbursement portal. Your step one will be identifying your financial point of contact and obtaining key information from your bank, including your bank’s address, your account number, and your routing number. In our upcoming webinar, we will walk you through setting up the portal and discuss what information will be required for upload to obtain reimbursement. For now, save your purchase orders and receipts!



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