

BWC REPORT | 2018 Q2

The Saint Paul Police Department is committed to delivering trusted service with respect—every day, without exception.

Trust is the foundation on which our department is built, and an unwavering commitment to transparency is one of the most important ways we build trust with our community. In January 2018, all of our police officers were equipped with body worn cameras, which are an incredibly important tool in our efforts to hold ourselves to the highest standards of accountability and pull back the curtains on how and why officers do their jobs.

To ensure that we are following our Body Worn Camera Policy, the department established a Quality Control Process, which describes two types of deliberate and detailed quality reviews that the department will conduct on a quarterly basis.

Body Worn Camera Review Committee and members of our Technology Unit review videos as an ongoing process to ensure that cameras are being used properly and disseminated to the public in accordance with state law and department policy.

The Body Worn Camera Review Committee Reviews 24 randomly selected videos each month. All body worn camera videos captured by sworn employees, regardless of rank or assigned division, are subject to review.

The Technology Unit is responsible for ensuring that the Body Worn Camera Program is operating within policy and statutory requirements, with a specific focus on making sure videos are being recorded, saved, categorized, retained, accessed, managed and deleted properly.

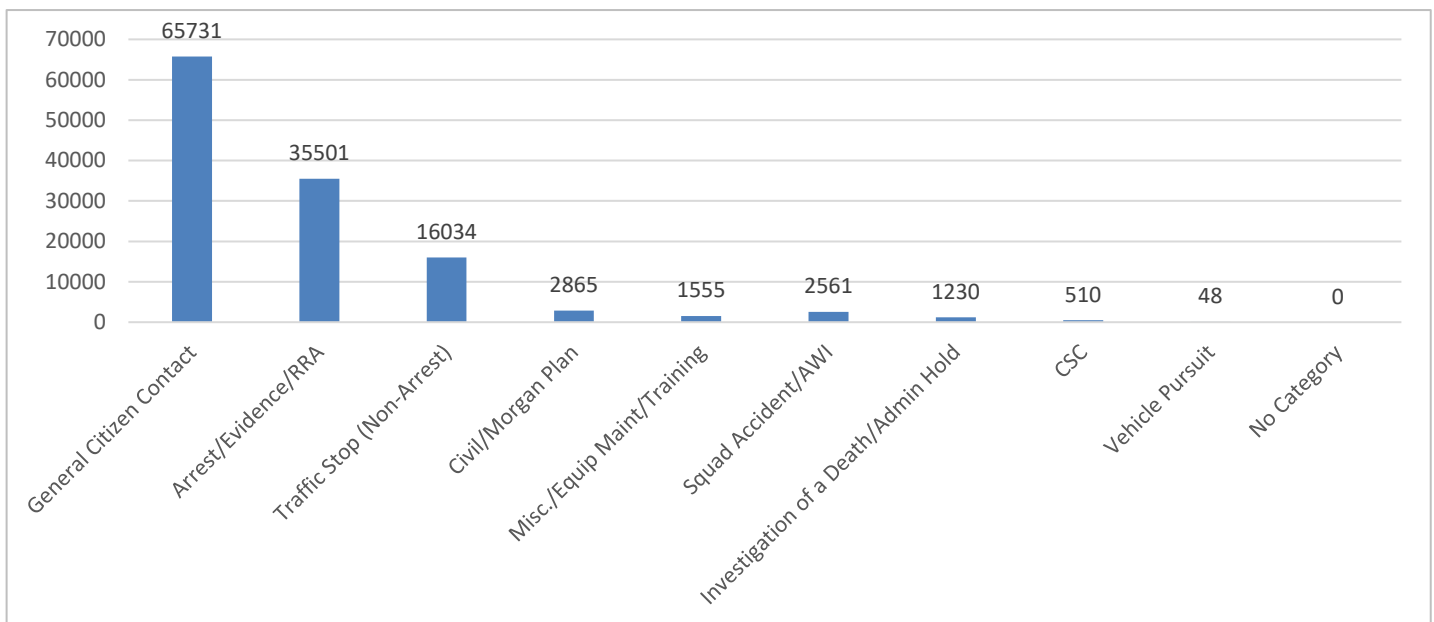
The following is the Body Worn Camera Report for the second quarter of 2018:

Total Videos: 112,030

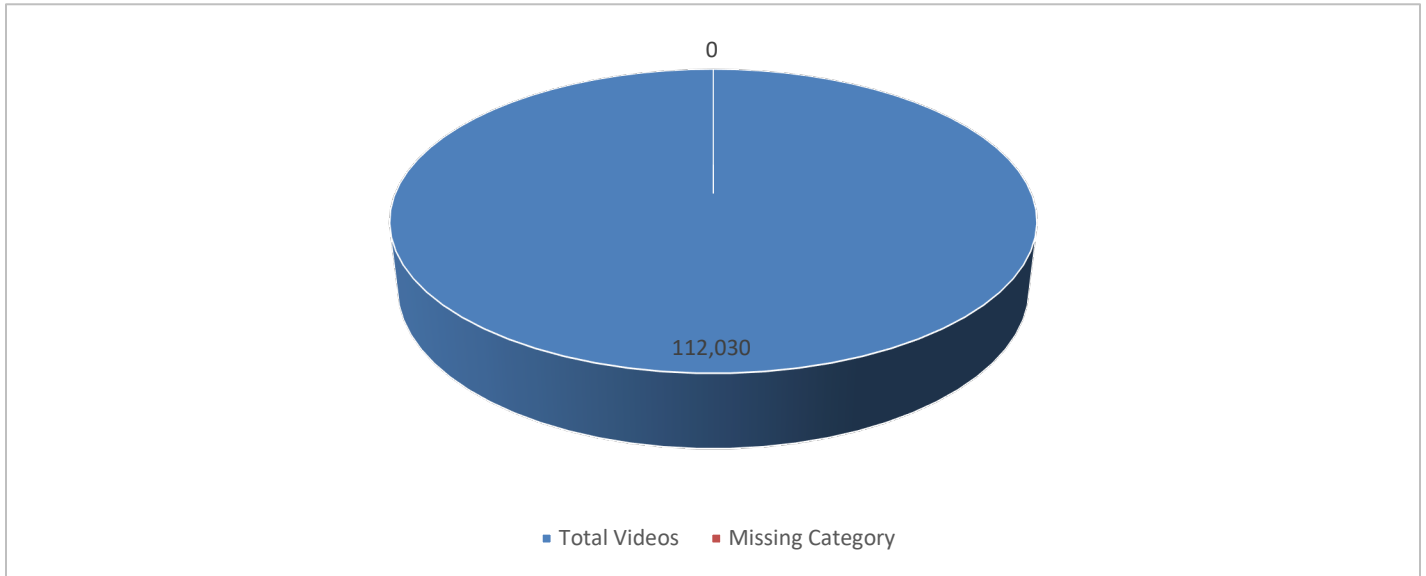
Total Hours Recorded: 22,824.62

Categorization of Videos:

* Note: some videos have more than 1 category



Videos Properly Categorized: 100 percent of 112,030 videos



Videos by Division and Unit

Operations Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
ACOP	1434
CANINE	1956
CENTRAL CODE ENFORCEMENT	159
CENTRAL DISTRICT	20593
CENTRAL INVESTIGATIONS	11
CITY WIDE MOTORS	1346
CITY WIDE TRAFFIC	2009
CITY-WIDE SERVICES	1
DOWNTOWN BEAT	5239
EAST INVESTIGATIONS	132
EASTERN DISTRICT	36631
FORCE	2589
MOUNTED POLICE	73
OPERS ADMIN	17
SPECIAL OPERATIONS UNIT	97
TRAFF ACC	171
WEST CODE ENFORCEMENT	12
WEST INVESTIGATIONS	42
WESTERN DISTRICT	32952

Major Crimes Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
APS	2
AUTO THEFT	341
BURGLARY	30
CAPERS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	481
CAPERS-SEX CRIMES	31
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	147
CRIMES AGAINST ELDERS	17
EAST CODE ENFORCEMENT	402
FRAUD/FORGERY	2
GANG UNIT	1895
HOMICIDE/ROBBERY	635
HUMAN TRAFF-VICE	402
MN CRIMES AGAINST CHILDRE	8
NARCOTICS	354
POR	202
PROPERTY CRIMES UNIT	1
S.I.U.	70
SAFE STREETS	3
YSS-JUVENILE	145
YSS-SCHOOL RESOURCE OFF	283

Support Services Division	
Unit Name	# of Videos
FORENSIC SERVICES UNIT	40
MENTAL HEALTH UNIT	302
PROPERTY ROOM	5
TARGET RANGE	12
TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT	181
TRAINING	30
VIDEO MANAGEMENT	61

Chief's Office	
Unit Name	# of Videos
CHIEF'S OFFICE	463
INSPECTION	18

Body Worn Camera Quality Control Review Information

The Body Worn Camera Review Committee reviewed a total of 72 videos during the second quarter of 2018. The videos were recorded primarily by the rank of police officer, assigned to the Operations Division.

Employee Rank		
Officer	55	76.36%
Sergeant	10	13.89%
Commander	5	6.94%
Sr. Commander	2	2.78%

Employee Division		
Chief's Office	1	1.39%
Operations	63	87.5%
Major Crimes	7	9.72%
Support Services	1	1.39%

There were 72 videos selected for review that were created by 65 individual employees. Of these 65 employees, five had two videos selected and one had three videos selected. All of the employees with more than one video selected were police officers and assigned to patrol in the Operations Division. Given the nature of the duties of police officers in the Operations Division, it is this group of employees that generate the highest volume of BWC videos.

Video Category *		
General Citizen Contact	23	25.84%
Arrest/Evidence/RRA	14	15.73%
Traffic Stop (Non-Arrest)	11	12.36%
Squad Accident/AWI	8	8.99%
Misc./Equip Maint./Training	7	7.87%
Civil/Morgan Plan	7	7.87%
Investigation of a Death/Admin Hold	7	7.87%
Vehicle Pursuit	6	6.74%
CSC	6	6.74%

** Some videos have more than 1 category*

Policy Compliance

Most videos reviewed were 100 percent compliant with the BWC policy. There were 62 that required no action to be taken. There were two that had very minor policy violations such as incorrect case numbers (typo), an incorrect or missing category, not having a 30 second buffer, or missing the proper BWC header in a police RMS report (stating that BWC exists). These resulted in general roll call training and adding specific training reminders to the department-wide in-service training. There were eight violations that required supervisory coaching sessions. Note: Some videos had more than one recommendation, such as both adding to training curriculum and general roll call training.

Review Committee Recommendation Summary *		
1 - No Action Needed	62	86.11%
2 - Positive Training Video	0	0.00%
3 - Kudos (recognition)	0	0.00%
4 - Add to Training Curriculum	2	2.78%
5 - General Roll Call Training Request	2	2.78%
6 - Supervisory Coaching	8	11.11%
7 - Memo to Assistant Chief	0	0.00%
8 - Memo to IAU	0	0.00%

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BWC Quality Control Work Sheet Data Points			
	Yes	No	N/A
Owner is correct	72	0	0
Case Number correct	71	1	0
Category correct/appropriate	72	0	0
Uploaded within policy	72	0	0
Activated prior to arrival (dispatched calls)	67	5	0
Buffer = 30 Seconds (or proper exception)	67	5	0
RMS Report Exists	37	35	0
BWC header and proper narrative exist	30	4	38
Arrest Made	13	59	0
Recording ended appropriately	72	0	0
Mute during any portion	0	72	0
Mute, correctly documented	0	0	72
Reviewed audit log for video	72	0	0
If viewed, were post notes added?	6	1	65

Mandatory Recordings

In addition to the videos reviewed by the Body Worn Camera Review Committee, the Technology Unit sergeant conducted compliance checks of randomly selected body worn camera videos related to traffic stops, burglary calls, and traffic crashes all of which require mandatory recording. During this quarter the Canine Unit supervisors reviewed one video per week, per officer. They also verified whether mandatory recordings were being captured as required by policy.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Burglary Calls**:
 - The data showed that there should be 340 instances where officers were dispatched to a burglary call (note: if a two-person squad was dispatched to a single burglary, the system is looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - The computer-generated query showed that there were 18 missing videos from the expected 340 videos
 - A human review showed that there were only 3 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up action to determine the exact circumstances. This means that only 0.88% were potentially missing videos.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Traffic Crashes**:
 - The data showed that there should be 3,927 instances where officers were dispatched to a traffic crash (note: if a two-person squad was dispatched to a single crash, the system is looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - The computer-generated query showed that there were 315 missing videos from the expected 3,927 videos.
 - A human review showed that there were only 143 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up action to determine the exact circumstances. This means that only 3.64% were potentially missing videos.

- Mandatory Recordings for **Traffic Stops**:
 - The data showed that there should be 13,164 instances where officers conducted a traffic stop. (note: if a two-person squad did a single traffic stop, the system would be looking for two videos, one from each of the officers in the squad car).
 - The computer-generated query showed that there were 971 missing videos from the expected 13,164 videos.
 - A human review showed that there were only 113 instances where video would normally have been recorded but may not have been. These instances were referred to the unit commanders for follow-up action to determine the exact circumstances. This means that only 0.86% were potentially missing videos.

Equipment Failure

The Saint Paul Police Department tracks all instances of body worn camera equipment failure.

Between April 1, 2018 and June 30, 2018 there were 22 instances of equipment failure noted by police officers. Equipment failures ranged from batteries not charging properly to defective cameras. In all instances, the cameras were repaired or returned to the manufacturer for service or replacement.

Supervisory Reviews

In addition to the videos reviewed through the department's Quality Control Process, another 3,691 videos were reviewed by supervisors and investigators as part of their day-to-day duties.

Supervisors and investigators are required to note and report any policy violations they identify related to body worn camera use, so issues can be addressed. As of this report, no violations have been reported.