General Regulations:

1) **No swearing on the radio.** An occasional word slips. It happens. Please do not make it a habit. This radio traffic is often loudly broadcasted in public and could be heard by anyone. We want our radio traffic to sound stern, serious, and professional at all times.

2) **No singing or playing music over the radio, inappropriate comments or other acts of general immaturity and horseplay.** A radio may be fun to use, but it's not a toy. All communication records are saved and kept on a server and may be sampled by clients or subpoenaed by a court of law.

3) **Keep personal chatter on direct P2P comms channels.** Personal conversations have no place on a group net.

4) **We will not use 10-codes. Ever.** We will avoid 10 codes at all costs. We are not law enforcement.

Callsign Protocol:

SPS will employ a modified callsign protocol as *loosely derived* from the United States Army.

Romeo Unit (Patrol)

- Patrol units shall be designated "Romeo" at the highest level. ("R" for "Rover or Roving patrol"). All guards assigned to a patrol car for patrol duties are part of the "Romeo" Unit. Addressing all patrol units should be completed by addressing "All Romeo units".

- The first element in Romeo would be element 1. Next, you're assigned an asset number. This is the number that refers to you personally. So, if you were the second guy in the Romeo Element 1, you'd be 'Romeo 1-2'.
  1 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe even you).
  2 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  3 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  4 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  5 is the third-in-command or "Petty Officer" if one is on duty.
  6 is the second-in-command or "Lieutenant".
  7 or ACTUAL is the highest command in the unit, or "Commander".
  8 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  9 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  10 is an officer, on patrol. (Maybe you, or a co-worker).
  …And so on.

  While certain numbers are reserved for certain jobs, there is no numerical hierarchy dictating command here. For example, your FULL callsign may be "Romeo 1-9" or "Romeo 1-2", and your boss's full callsign may be "Romeo 1-6".

  SIMPLIFICATION: Since you will often be operating on a net that only has one element, you may save time by truncating the element number and simply saying your unit and individual number, for example, in a Romeo unit with only one element where your callsign would be "Romeo 1-1", you may truncate the first digit, as in "Romeo … - 1" (EG "Romeo 1 is Bravo Delta")

  Romeo Echo Designation:
  Any time two units are paired together, they form an "Echo unit". Each echo unit receives an on-the-fly numerical designation assigned by the dispatch or highest command on duty corresponding to the chronological order of the unit's formation. Echo units are considered disbanded and void at the end of the shift they were formed in. For example, Romeo 1-1 and Romeo 1-3 are in a car together, they form Echo 1 as a team, but may still be raised individually by their Romeo Call Signs.

Sierra Unit (Static Posts)

- Posted guards units shall be designated "Sierra" at the highest level. (For "Static" or "Standing"). All guards assigned to a static post for guard duties are part of the "Sierra" Unit. Addressing all static posts should be completed by addressing "All Sierra units".

- For each individual Sierra Unit, "Sierra" should be replaced with a meaningful name to identify the site, for example, on the "El Con Mall" site, the full callsign of the site supervisor would be "El Con 1-6". In the case of ambiguous names or nameless sites, a codename may be created and used. The purpose of this naming convention is to assist patrol and others in identifying the location of a post and arriving or sending help quickly.

- **Local Nets** – A static post may have access to an internal network as well as the company-wide network. On local networks only, the entire post name may be dropped, and if not necessary, the element number may be omitted. For example, "El Con 1-6" can just be 1-6, unless there is no "2" element, in which case, "1-6" can become "6". To clarify, when switching to the company-wide network, the entire callsign must be used.

Radio Traffic Protocols:

Radio Traffic	Translation	Usage Scenario:	Example Traffic:	Dispatch Response and Support Action.
"<Call sign> is **BRAVO DELTA (Beginning Duty)**, over." ~OR~ "<Call sign> is **Signal 8,** over."	"Good evening / morning, I'm on the net and available." "10-8"	I just started my shift, turned on my radio and computer and got it all connected.	"1-1 is Bravo Delta for duty, over" "1-1 is Signal 8"	"Good morning / Afternoon / Evening <call sign>. Showing you on duty at <Current Military Time>" Set Privateer status to "On Duty".
"<Call sign> is **Signal 9** to <location>, over." ~OR~ "<Call sign> **en route** to <location>, over."	"I'm currently in transit."	I am in my vehicle and driving somewhere. I will be spending time in transit between locations.	"1-1 is Signal 9 to El Mono, over." "1-1 is en route to El Mono, over."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"><call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Adjust unit status to "Transit: <Location>"
"<Call sign> is **Signal 1** at <location>, over." ~OR~ "<Call sign> is **on scene** at <location>, over."	"I've just arrived at my site, and I'm beginning my patrol here. I am currently in my vehicle."	I arrived at my next site, "El Mono Apartments", and I am conducting a normal patrol.	"1-1 is signal 1 at El Mono, over."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"><call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Adjust unit status to "Patrolling – Mounted"
<Call sign> is **Signal 2** <location optional>, over. ~OR~ <Call sign> is **dismounting**, over." **A SIGNAL 2 MUST BE CLEARED WHEN FINISHED!**	"I'm getting out of my vehicle at the site and will be on foot. Pay closer attention to me as I am at an elevated risk during this time. If I go silent for too long, check up on me. "	I'm required to exit my patrol car to patrol and perform duty functions at "El Mono Apartments".	"1-1 is signal 2 at El Mono, over." "1-1 is signal 2 for a citation, over".	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement">,<call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Adjust unit status to "Patrolling – Dismounted" Get update from unit as needed or when patrol time has elapsed.
<Call sign> is **Code Zulu** at <location>, over. ~OR~ <call sign> is requesting a **Code Zulu** at <location>. **Var:**" Zulu Support"	"I'm deploying an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV)" "I need someone with a drone to come and fly one at this location for me".	I'm about to send up a drone. I need someone who is authorized to fly drones to meet me and send up a drone.	"1-1 is Code Zulu at El Mono, over." "1-1 is requesting Code Zulu at El Mono, over"	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement">, <call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Adjust unit status to "In Flight". ~OR~ Dispatch unit with UAV capabilities to location.
<Call sign> is **Signal 3** at <location, optional>,	"I have completed my objective" OR	I'm done with whatever I was doing, and I'm free for the next assignment.	"1-1 is Signal 3 at this time, over."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement">

<Additional Information, optional>, over.	"All alerts can be cleared. You may stop monitoring me."		"Dispatch, 1-1. Signal 3, over."	">< call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Cease close monitoring. Adjust unit status to "Available".
<Call sign> is **Signal 4** <Additional Information Optional>, over.	"Everything is OK"	I am responding to a status check and want to inform everyone I am ok and don't require assistance.	"1-1 is Signal 4 at this time, over" "Dispatch, 1-1, show me Signal 4 at this time, over."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"> ">< call sign>, <Current Military Time>"
<Call sign> is **Signal 5** at <Location>, <Additional Information Optional>, over.	"I am taking a few moments for personal business."	I need to use the bathroom, buy beverages, refuel, stretch my legs, eat, or whatever else, for a few minutes in a safe location such as a gas station, restaurant or rest stop. A signal 5 **CAN NOT** be called in an unsafe, non-commercial establishment.	"1-1 is Signal 5."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"> ">< call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Adjust unit status to "On Break".
Making Contact: <Call Sign> is <verb> **<additional information>** at <location>. **Verbs:** "With" "Out With" "Making Contact" "In Contact" "Talking To" Additional Information: **Descriptors**	"I am actively engaged in an **unpredictable situation**, communicating with someone or otherwise in proximity with the person and engaging with them in some form or fashion. Monitor me closely and prepare for further communications from me regarding this interaction."	I am interacting with any human involved in an incident, or in a situation which could turn into an incident.	"1-1 is in contact with two male tangos on the west side of El Mono Hotel's main plaza at this time" "1-1 will be out with a lone female tango, small height medium build, blonde hair, blue eyes, appears early to mid 20's, white tank top, blue shorts, white deck shoes.	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"> ">< call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Record and respond with current 24-hour time. Adjust unit status to "Interaction".
<Call Sign> **requests medical** at <location>, <number of patients>, <is site safe for medical?>, <how can EMS find you easier?> **VAR: "Request R.A."** Where R.A. means Rescue Ambulance.	"I am actively engaged in a medical situation where I am providing medical assistance to someone."	I am patrolling when I discover an unconscious person. I radio dispatch to get EMS to my scene immediately as I investigate, administer Narcan and / or render other first aid.	"1-1 requests medical at El Mono Apartments, one patient, secure, we're located on the West side of the complex near apartment 24D. I will strobe my flashlight at them if I see them pass."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"> ">< call sign>, <Current Military Time>" Contact 911 and relay information for EMS response. Relay information as needed. Adjust unit status to "Emergency".
<Call Sign> is **CODE RED** at **<location>. <additional information, if possible.>** Additional Information: **Descriptors** **Incident Description**	"I am actively in a fight or other situation which directly and immediately jeopardizes my safety and or the safety of others. Dispatch the police to my location and send all available PSF assistance."	I pull onto a property, and someone begins physically attacking me or someone else at the location but does NOT possess a weapon or other means to inflict deadly harm on myself or the public.	"1-1, Code red at El Mono Apartments. "	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"> ">< call sign>, code red at <Current Military Time>" Contact 911 and relay information for LE response. Relay information as needed. Adjust unit status to "Emergency". Dispatch all PSF assets in the region to assist.

<Call Sign> **requests law enforcement** at <location>, <number of suspects>, <is the situation under control?>, <how can police find you easier?> **Variations:** "Roll" or "Start" **P.D.:** Police **S.O.:** County Sheriff **DPS:** Highway Patrol **BP:** Border Patrol	"I am actively in a situation which immediately requires law enforcement response. Dispatch the police to my location.	I arrest someone and need the local police to respond.	"1-1, request LE to El Mono Apartments, 1 suspect detained, situation is signal 4, we're located in the back alley behind Fry's Food and Drug, look for the patrol car." "1-1, Roll PD to El Mono Apartments, 1 suspect detained, situation is signal 4, we're located in the back alley behind Fry's Food and Drug, look for the patrol car."	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement">"><call sign>, Dispatching police to your location. Stand by for updates. <Current Military Time>." Adjust unit status to "Emergency". Contact 911 and relay information for LE response. Relay information as needed.
<Call Sign> **requests fire** at <location>, <what is on fire?>, <is site secure for fire?>, <how can FD find you easier?> **Variations:** "Roll" or "Start" "F.D." Where F.D. means Fire Department.	"I am actively engaged in a fire situation and need the fire department to my location immediately."	I pull onto a property and see smoke billowing out of a structure. People may be inside. I need the fire department to address a fire condition.	"1-1 requests fire to El Mono Apartments, Structure fire, Secure for FD, building is on the west end of the complex. Look for my flashing lights." "1-1, Go ahead and roll FD to El Mono Apartments, Structure fire, Secure for FD, building is on the west end of the complex. Look for my flashing lights."	< "Copy" or other acknowledgement"><call sign>, Dispatching Fire to your location. Stand by for updates. <Current Military Time>." Adjust unit status to "Emergency". Contact 911 and relay information for FD response. Relay information as needed.
<Call sign> is **OSCAR DELTA,** over." ~OR~ "<Call sign> is **Signal 7,** over."	"I am back at HQ and I'm done with my shift. I'm finishing up and going home" "10-7, Out of Service"	I have finished everything on my run sheet and need to return to base to take my end of shift report and perform my final services and checks.	"1-1 is Oscar Delta" "1-1 is Signal 7, over"	<Optional: "Copy" or other acknowledgement"><call sign>, <Current Military Time>", have a good Morning / Day / Afternoon / Evening.

Code or Slang Word	Meaning
Tango	Trespasser or suspect.
Code 4	Interchangeable with Signal 4, but is generally used by Law Enforcement.