## DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION

## December 18, 1996

## **STAFF DIRECTIVE 96-4**

TO: Superintendent of State Parks

Parks Chief Ranger District Superintendents Park Superintendents

FROM: Philip K. McKnelly, Director

SUBJECT: Update of Law Enforcement Policy and Guidelines

Enclosed is a complete reprint of the current policy and guidelines incorporating all preceding annual revisions and the following revisions for 1996:

Contents Incorporates revised page numbering.

Pages 2-37 Incorporates organizational changes by changing references to Chief of Operations to

Superintendent of State Parks for all supervisory functions.

Changes references to Chief of Operations to Parks Chief Ranger for technical

oversight and training duties.

Page 9 Section 4.1.1.2 revised to clarify vehicle pursuit policy limitations to motor vehicle

infractions instead of misdemeanors. This is a technical change to achieve the original

intent of the policy.

Page 14 Section 7.1.4.4 revised to increase allowable firearms training credit toward the annual

40 hour inservice training requirement. Change from eight (8) hours to sixteen (16)

hours consistent with current Justice Academy training schedule.

Page 14 Section 7.1.4.5 revised to decrease the allowable CPR training credit toward the

annual 40 hour inservice training requirement from twelve (12) hours to eight (8)

hours.

Page 17 Section 8.1.1.15 added to provide for voluntary wearing of Division issued soft body

armor unless directed by supervisor to wear armor in special enforcement situations.

Page 33 Section 14.1.7.1 added to require driver signature of "consent to two" block on back

of uniform citation when driver is arrested and vehicle disposition is needed.

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Page 34 Sections 15.1.3 and 15.1.5 revised to require suggested guideline revisions be submitted to the Parks Chief Ranger by October 1 and issued to the parks by January 1 consistent with current scheduling of Annual Law Enforcement Refresher Training (ALERT) in January-March.

Appendix A Updated for current statutory language. G.S. 113-35 added to specify Class 3 misdemeanor status for violation of park rules.

Appendix H Updated for current statutory language. Includes reference to concealed handgun permit statutes.

Appendix J Updated for current statutory language.

Appendix K Revised to rescind Staff Directive 89-16 and incorporate organizational changes into procedures.

Appendix M Updated administrative code sections.

Appendix O O.C. Spray Policy added.

Staff Directive 89-16 is hereby rescinded and provision for processing Form F-5B (LE), Report of Separation, incorporated into the revised Appendix K.

These consolidated revisions are effective immediately. All previous editions of this guideline should be discarded.

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Attachment