



City of Racine Police Department

## ***Policy and Procedure***

***Number: 810***

Subject: <b>Use of Safety Belts in Department Vehicles</b>		
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**POLICY:**

The use of safety belts has proven effective in reducing the incidence of, as well as the severity of injuries resulting from automobile accidents. In addition, Wisconsin Traffic Statutes require motorists to wear safety belts when operating a motor vehicle.

Therefore, for the protection of Department personnel and their passengers, all persons operating or as a passenger in any Racine Police Department vehicle shall wear the safety belt restraining system provided in accordance with Wisconsin State Statutes. The only exceptions to this policy being those specifically provided for under §347.48 (2)(m).

**RELATED STATUTES:**

§ 347.48(2) (m) – Safety Belt – Required Use

**RELATED PROCEDURES:**

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